

SERVING THE CHURCH

This Week

Liturgist: Linda Stenhouse
Ushers: Linda Stenhouse
Sharon Flesch

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Next Week

Liturgist: Candie Vaitkevicius
Ushers: Joe Vaitkevicius
Ronnie Storch

Elder of the Month

For November: Linda Marshall, 864-967-9855 (H), 864-350-9375
(cell)

SESSION MEMBERS

Class of 2024

Linda Stenhouse
Jackie Koch
Candie Vaitkevicius

Class of 2025

Barb Daugherty
Bill Marshall NS
Linda Marshall

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Sunday, November 3, 2024

Simpsonville Presbyterian Church

Simpsonville, SC

"Growing Together in Faith - Loving and Serving in the World"

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 3, 2024

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome, announcements

Prayers and Concerns

Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch has office hours on Tuesdays from 9 a.m.-Noon. Please call 864-963-8854 to make an appointment.

Please note that the wearing of masks during service and singing hymns is optional. NOTE: This service may be video recorded.

Please stand if you are able where asterisk.

PRELUDE "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" arr. Larson

***OUR CALL TO WORSHIP** Linda Stenhouse, Liturgist

Leader: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

People: And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might."

Leader: Hear, O Church of God: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

People: And we shall love the Lord our God with all our heart, and with all our soul, and with all our might.

Leader: Hear, O children of God: there is another commandment like the first.

People: Yes: we shall love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

Leader: These two commandments are the foundation of our Christian lives.

All: Thanks be to God! Let us worship God!

***OPENING HYMN #526 "For All the Saints"**

#139 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF OUR SIN (unison prayer)

Gracious God, you have loved us by sending your only son, but we have not loved you with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength. In his life and death, Jesus showed us how truly to love our neighbors, but we love ourselves more than we love others. Loving God, forgive us for withholding our complete love for and devotion to you. Help us give our hearts and lives fully to you so our hearts and lives may be open to

VETERAN'S DAY CONCERTS: The Upstate Senior Band will host the following two concerts in honor of Veteran's Day:

- Fountain Inn Senior Center: Friday, Nov. 8, 11 a.m.-Noon
- Senior Action: Monday, Nov. 11, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: A Christmas Concert to benefit Isaiah 117 will be held at First Presbyterian Church in Greenville on Sunday, Dec. 1st at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10. For additional information, see the poster in the Narthex.

COMING NEXT SUNDAY:

Scriptures: Mark 12:38-44/Ruth 4:13-17

Sermon: First Comes Love, Then Comes Marriage

LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER CONCERNS: Jan Johnson; Donnett Hanson; Alice Grooms; Harriette Allen(friend of Kitty); Cory and children (friends of Brenda Stenhouse); family of Bill Marshall (PA); Sue Marshall's mother; Tina Minnich (daughter of Candie & Joe); Beverly Sullivan (friend of Jimmy Cheeks); Everett (sister of Donnett); Debra Datko; Lisa Shelf; Dixie Suit (sister-in-law of Kitty Shealy); Roger Edney (relative of Barb & Roger Daugherty). Do not hesitate to call or email the Church Office (office@simpsonvillepres.com) about any pastoral concerns.

SCHEDULES AND EVENTS

FOOD PANTRY: Your continued prayers and giving hearts allow us to keep this mission to our neighbors going. Suggestions for the month of November are dried beans, canned soups and canned stews. As always, we are grateful for all donations.

VIDEO RECORDINGS: Video recordings of services that have been previously recorded are available on the Church's website: www.simpsonvillepres.com. Click on "Videos" in the menu at the top or click on the picture of a worship service in the lower right.

CONGREGATIONAL HOT DOG ROAST: Thank you to all who attended our congregational hot dog roast. Good food and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: There will be a congregational meeting after worship next Sunday, November 10th to present the Class of 2026 Session Members: Jackie Koch, Candie Vaitkevicius, and Bill Marshall (PA). The budget for 2025 may also be presented. A pot luck lunch fundraiser in the Fellowship Hall will follow with donations supporting the "Love Fund." This fund is used to help support members of our congregation in emergency situations. A sign-up sheet for the lunch is on the back table.

VOTING: The Church will be used as a polling station on Tuesday, Nov. 5th from 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

our neighbors, especially those in need. Lord, forgive us, love us, and guide us through Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The psalmist assures us, "As far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our transgressions from us." In the name of Jesus Christ, I declare to you, our sins are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

RESPONSE: "Rain Down"

*Rain down; rain down;
Rain down your love on your people.
Rain down; rain down;
Rain down your love, God of life.*

HYMN #505 "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread"

SILENT PRAYER: A few moments of silent communication with God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: Ruth 1:1-18/Matthew 6:7-13 plus a footnote

SERMON: "Kingdom, Power, Glory, Amen!" Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch

***Affirmation of Faith** The Nicene Creed
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son

is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN.

Prayer of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer:
Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth,
As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
The power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF OFFERING AND PRAYER (the offering plate is located in the sanctuary just inside the back double doors.)

OFFERTORY "Something For Thee/I Gave My Life for Thee" arr. Sikes

*The Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the LORD!

Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise!

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

THE SHARING OF THE MEAL

As the trays are passed please serve your neighbor with the words, "The Body and blood of Christ, given for you."

The Communion wafer is not gluten free. It is our tradition to take the bread individually and to hold the wine to drink together.

***CLOSING HYMN #263 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"**

*BENEDICTION

***RESPONSE: "Share His Love"**

*Share his love by telling what the Lord has done for you,
Share his love by sharing of your faith,
And show the world that Jesus Christ is real to you,
Ev-'ry moment, ev-'ry day.*

POSTLUDE "Praise the Lord, the King of Glory"

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WELCOME TO SIMPSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN! Whether you are a long-time member or first time visitor, we are glad you are here. If you would like to learn more about the Simpsonville Presbyterian community, we invite you to contact us through our website www.simpsonvillepres.com, or by calling the church office at (864)963-8854.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS today are given by Bill & Linda Marshall. Thank you.

REFRESHMENTS today are given by Sharon Flesch. Thank you.

BIBLE STORY BAGS are available for children during worship. See an usher if you would like one for your child to use. Please return the bag to an usher after worship.

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK: Paula Ely, Sharon Flesch

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: None