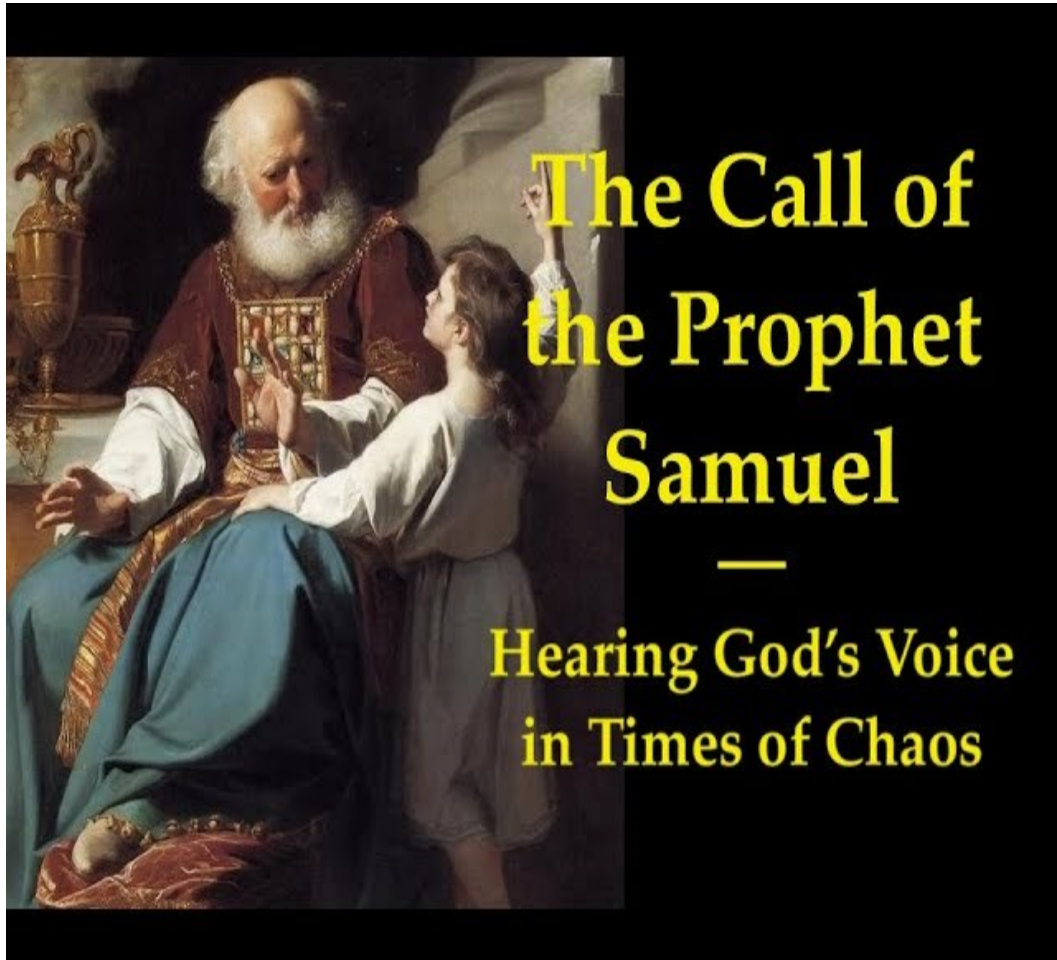


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Liturgist: Judy Rainey Ushers: Linda Stenhouse Jackie Koch	Liturgist: Linda Stenhouse Ushers: Linda Marshall Bill Marshall NS

**Elder of the Month**  
For November: Linda Marshall, 864-967-9855 (H), 864-350-9375 (cell)

<b>SESSION MEMBERS</b>	
<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>
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**Sunday, November 17, 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 17, 2024

26th 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 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" arr. Whitworth

**\*OUR CALL TO WORSHIP** Judy Rainey, Liturgist  
Leader: Whether we are sure of God's work in the world or still waiting for a sign,

**People: let us worship the Lord, encouraging one another in hope.**

Leader: Whether we are confident in what the future will bring or carry more questions than answers,

**People: let us worship the Lord, strengthening one another in faith.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #276 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

**\*Hymn: "I Stand Amazed in the Presence"**

*I stand amazed in the presence  
Of Jesus the Nazarene,  
And wonder how He could love me,  
A sinner, condemned, unclean.  
(Refrain)*

*For me it was in the garden  
He prayed, "Not my will, but Thine."  
He had no tears for His own griefs,  
But sweat-drops of blood for mine.  
(Refrain)*

*He took my sins and my sorrows,  
He made them His very own;  
He bore the burden to Calv'ry,  
And suffered **and died alone.**  
(Refrain)*

**WORSHIP TEAM MEETING:** The Worship Team will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 19th at 10:30 a.m. at the Church.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN** will meet on Thursday, Nov. 21st at 11 a.m. at the Church.

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING:** Volunteers are needed to help decorate the Church for Christmas after worship on November 24th.

**CHRISTMAS COOKIE SWAP:** Ladies, bake your favorite Christmas cookie recipe to share at our Cookie Swap on Monday, Dec. 9th at Noon. The number of participants will determine the number of cookies to bake and bring, along with copies of the recipe. Please sign up by next Sunday, November 24th on the sheet on the back table.. Then we can determine how many each person will need to bake. We will not ask anyone to bake more than 4 dozen, so we may have two or more teams. The location of the swap will also be determined by the number of participants. All are welcome. A light lunch will be provided. If you have any questions, see Jackie.

## SAVE THE DATES:

Dec. 13th: Congregational Christmas Gathering

Dec. 15th: Lessons & Carols

Dec. 24th: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

More information on the above events will be forthcoming as we get closer to each date.

**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: 2 Samuel 23:1-7/John 18:33-37

Sermon: Not From This World

## 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](http://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.

**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS:** As is our tradition, beautiful poinsettias will adorn the Sanctuary during Advent and Christmas. If you'd like to purchase a poinsettia in memory of or in honor of a loved one or special person, please fill out the order form in today's bulletin. The cost remains at \$10.00 each. Please indicate if you would like to take your flower(s) home or if it is a donation only. Deadline to order is November 24th. You may put the forms in the offering plate or give them to Jackie.

### "SANTA'S" SENIOR HELPERS STRIKE AGAIN!!!

As we have in the past few years, the Presbyterian Women are collecting needed items requested by the Clinton Presbyterian Home in Clinton SC for their residents. A red collection "gift box" has been set up in the narthex for you to place any donated items for us to deliver by December 3rd. PLEASE DO NOT wrap the gifts so the "Elves" at The Presbyterian Home can make individual selections specifically for each resident.

A separate list of the requested items is included with the bulletin. For ease of handling by the residents, if you purchase any liquid items, please purchase medium size bottles.

The Holidays can be a hard and lonely time for individuals being separated from family. Please open your hearts and purchase one, a few, or many if possible of the items listed. If you have any questions, please contact either myself or Candie Vaitkevicius.

Blessings to you all,  
Sue Marshall (C) 864.305.9355

*When with the ransomed in glory  
His face I at last shall see,  
'Twill be my joy thro' the ages  
To sing of His love for me.  
(Refrain)*

**Refrain:**

*How marvelous! How wonderful!  
And my song shall ever be;  
How marvelous! How wonderful  
Is my Savior's love for me!*

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

**CONFESSION OF OUR SIN** (unison prayer)

**Eternal God, too often we settle for the way things are. We embrace what is comfortable and disengage from the work of necessary change. We fail to hope for a new day and a new world because our present reality feels good enough. Forgive us. Have mercy upon us. Fill us with the passion to live and work towards a world made just and equitable and new. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: To all who turn from sin in sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God's Word of grace:

**People: We are accepted, we are forgiven, we are loved.**

Leader: This gift we have from God.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**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 #476 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above"**

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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

"It Is Well"

arr. Hamilton

**\*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

**\*CLOSING HYMN #482 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"**

\*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

"Blessed Be the Name"

Tune BLESSED NAME

**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](http://www.simpsonvillepres.com), or by calling the church office at (864)963-8854.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** today are given by Gail West. Thank you.

**REFRESHMENTS** today are given by Judy Rainey. 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:** Victoria Fowler, Alice Grooms

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** None

**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](mailto:office@simpsonvillepres.com)) about any pastoral concerns.