

**SERVING THE CHURCH**

**This Week**

Liturgist: Linda Stenhouse  
Sound:  
Ushers: Gail West  
Kitty Shealy

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**Next Week**

Liturgist:  
Sound:  
Ushers: Linda Marshall  
Linda Stenhouse

**Elder of the Month for February**

Bill Marshall (NS), 864-967-9855 (H), 864-230-5268 (cell)

**SESSION MEMBERS**

**Class of 2022**

Linda Stenhouse  
Jerry Kross  
Jackie Koch

**Class of 2023**

Barb Daugherty  
Bill Marshall (NS)  
Ronnie Storch



**February 20, 2022**



*Remembering and honoring the past; Moving forward in unity and grace.*

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**Simpsonville, SC**

*"Growing Together in Faith – Loving and Serving in the World"*

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# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 20, 2022      7th Sunday after Epiphany/Boy Scout Sunday

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

*\*Please stand for the Posting of the Colors.*

***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.**

\*POSTING OF COLORS—The American Flag & Troop Flag      Troop 700

\*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, Boy Scout Oath, Law, and Slogan

PRELUDE      "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands/  
Go Tell It on the Mountain"      arr. Smith

\*OUR CALL TO WORSHIP      Linda Stenhouse, Liturgist

Leader: We gather to hear God's Word to us.

**People: Speak to us, O Lord, of those who lived for you.**

Leader: We eagerly wait to be inspired.

**People: Show us, O Lord, examples we are to follow.**

Leader: We offer ourselves to be molded by God's Spirit,

**People: That we may be God's people in word and deed.**

\*OPENING HYMN #364      "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"  
"Lord, Be Glorified"

***In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified!***

***In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.***

***In my words Lord, be glorified, be glorified!***

***In my words Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.***

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF OUR SIN (unison prayer)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on**

**CARDS:** Join us for card playing on Wednesday, Feb. 23rd, at 11 a.m. at the Church. Bring your own lunch.

**SESSION MEETING:** The Session will meet on Thursday, Feb. 24th, at 1:30 p.m. at the Church.

**BIBLE STUDY: Simon Peter:** He left everything to follow his teacher and possessed a passion that would change the world. That's one way to describe Peter. Here's another: poor, uneducated, quick-tempered, and full of doubts and fears. Doesn't even sound like the same man. And that's the point of Simon Peter, a six-week adult Bible study by Adam Hamilton. Peter was just an ordinary guy who heard and followed God's extraordinary call. Discover how you, too, have special gifts, talents, and abilities that God can use to make a difference today.

Join us for this new 6 week Bible study with video on Sunday mornings from March 6 through April 10 (Palm Sunday). We will begin promptly at 9:15am and promise to end by 10:15. The study will be led by Barb Daugherty. A sign-up sheet is located on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

Books are not a necessity for attending the Bible study, but are available upon request. the suggested donation is \$10. There are an average of 25 pages to read per week if you choose the book. If you order a book by Feb. 20, you will receive it on the 27<sup>th</sup> in time to read the first chapter before the study begins. Checks should be made out to the church. You can also order your own book from Cokesbury or Amazon if you wish.

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

**PULPIT SUPPLY:** Feb. 27: Elliott Grow

**PW SOUP LUNCHEON:** Presbyterian Women's annual Soup Luncheon will be held today, Feb. 20th, after worship service. Everyone is encouraged to attend for some great food and fellowship and to support this fundraising effort.

**TASTY TREATS AND TRIVIA:** Mark your calendars for this fun evening on Friday, March 18th, from 6:30-8 p.m. Teams will compete to see who will be the Trivia Champs. A sign-up sheet is placed on the back table or you may call the office and let Jackie know. Team sizes will be determined by the number of participants, and teams will be selected by a random draw. Family and friends are invited and encouraged to attend. Tasty treats and drinks will be provided and prizes will be awarded to the winning team.

Deadline to register is Sunday, March 13th. We hope everyone will come out for this first event to celebrate our 100th Anniversary! Rides to and from the Fellowship Hall will be provided to those needing them.

**LEGACY PROJECT:** Following are the two questions concerning our congregation that Session will be discussing in February:

- How deeply is prayer woven into the fabric of our communal life? How can we make the practice of prayer more central?
- How does our congregational culture encourage generosity, including tithing, as a spiritual discipline?

We welcome any input from the congregation.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Please sign up to volunteer as Liturgist, Ushers, or to bring refreshments and/or pulpit flowers. Sign-up sheets are on the back table.

**us O God. Forgive what we have been; help us amend what we are, and direct what we yet will be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your way to the honor and glory of your name. Amen.**

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Children of the Most High God, through Jesus Christ our Lord we have received grace in good measure — spilling out and running over.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**RESPONSE: "Hallelujah!"**

*Halle, halle, hallelujah!*

*Halle, halle, hallelujah!*

*Halle, halle, hallelujah!*

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

**HYMN #172 "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"**

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

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Genesis 45:1-28

**SERMON**

"Mercy is Never Wasted"

Rev. Jim Caprell

**\*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.**

## Joys and Concerns 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 on a back table in the sanctuary just inside the back double doors.)

OFFERTORY "This Little Light of Mine" arr. Albrecht

### \*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 #369 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

### BENEDICTION

RESPONSE: "Surely, It Is God"

*Surely, it is God who saves me;  
I will trust in Him and not be afraid.  
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,  
And He will be my Savior.*

POSTLUDE "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners" Tune HYFRYDOL

**WELCOME TO SIMPSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!** 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 First Presbyterian community, we invite you to contact us through our website [www.firstpresssimpsonville.com](http://www.firstpresssimpsonville.com), or by calling the church office at (864) 963-8854.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** today are given by Jan & Jerry Kross. Thank you.

**REFRESHMENTS** this week are provided by Jan & Jerry Kross. 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.

**We welcome to our pulpit today Rev. Jim Caprell. Jim is still at work as Chaplain to The Clinton Presbyterian Community in Clinton, SC. He serves on the Investment Committee for Foothills Presbytery and as Moderator of the Board of Trustees for the SC Inn in Montreat, NC. Married to Holly, they have two adult sons and daughters-in-law and one adorable grandson. And a dog.**

**PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK:** Jeff VandeWeghe, Robbie Herd

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** None

### LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Pastor Cassie, John Jackson; Jean Kirkland, Sue Marshall's mother, Barbara; Michael Kolmer (Sue Marshall's brother); Bob Marshall (Bill Marshall (PA)'s father; Bobby & Martha Gault family (friends of Linda Marshall); Henry Powell (friend of Jackie Koch); Richie & Barbara Deroches (friends of Linda & Bill Marshall); Mac Parks (former member); Susan Medina; Joe Vaitkevicius; Rev. Small's daughter Madeline; Gail West (for the loss of her brother-in-law); Chuck (Candie Vaitkevicius' brother); Cora Larsen (Linda Marshall's mother); the Shelf family (for the loss of Teresa's brother); Dan Mills (brother of Barb Daugherty—Missionary to Papau New Guinea); Ivy Bertuzzi; Pat Clark; Elizabeth Cooper; Dixie Suit (sister-in-law of Kitty Shealy); Roger Edney & Jen Gibson (relatives of Barb & Roger Daugherty). Do not hesitate to call or email the Church Office ([office@firstpresssimpsonville.com](mailto:office@firstpresssimpsonville.com)) about any pastoral concerns.