

**SERVING THE CHURCH**

**This Week**

Liturgist: Jerry Kross  
Sound:  
Ushers: Linda Marshall  
Linda Stenhouse

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**Elder of the Month**

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**For March:** Barb Daugherty, 864-234-0143

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**Class of 2022**

Linda Stenhouse  
Jerry Kross  
Jackie Koch

**Class of 2023**

Barb Daugherty  
Bill Marshall (NS)  
Ronnie Storch

**2 Cents-A-Meal**

Next Week!

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**February 27, 2022**



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

**Simpsonville Presbyterian Church**

**Simpsonville, SC**

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

# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 27, 2022

Transfiguration of the Lord

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

***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            "Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"            arr. Innes

## \*OUR CALL TO WORSHIP

Jerry Kross, Liturgist

Leader: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

**People: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.**

Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

**People: They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

Leader: For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

**All: O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!**

## \*OPENING HYMN #423    "Jesus Shall Reign"

"Standing on the Promises"

*Standing on the promises of Christ my King,  
Through eternal ages let His praises ring,  
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,  
Standing on the promises of God.*

**Refrain: Standing, standing,**

***Standing on the promises of God my Savior'***

***Standing, standing,***

***I'm standing on the promises of God.***

***Standing on the promises I cannot fall,***

***List'ning every moment to the Spirit's call,***

***Resting in my Savior as my all in all***

***Standing on the promises of God.***

**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.

Kitty Shealy); Roger Edney & Jen Gibson (relatives of Barb & Roger Daugherty). Do not hesitate to call or email the Church Office (office@firstpressimpsonville.com) about any pastoral concerns.

**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:** Mar. 6: Lindsay Small  
Mar. 13: Mary Anne Welch (communion)  
Mar. 20: Justin Cazel  
Mar. 27: Nancy Blakely

**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.

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

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

**Creator of all, you speak, but we fail to listen. You guide, but we fail to follow. You move, but we remain stuck and stagnant in the same patterns of destruction and sin. Free us from our failures, Holy God. Save us from ourselves so we can hear and heed your call. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Leader: Happy are those whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Friends, be happy, be free, for our sins, in Jesus Christ, have been forgiven.**

All: Thanks be to God!

**RESPONSE: "Hallelujah!"**

*Halle, halle, hallelujah!*

*Halle, halle, hallelujah!*

*Halle, halle, hallelujah!*

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

**HYMN #339 "Be Thou My Vision"**

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 9:28-36

SERMON

"Little Epiphanies Everywhere"

Pastor Elliott Grow

\***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 "Have You Been to Calvary" arr. Phillips

### \*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 #263 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

### 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

"Victory in Jesus"

Bartlett

**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 Simpsonville 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 AND REFRESHMENTS** today are given by Darrell Johnson and Roger Pryor. 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 Pastor Elliott Grow. Elliott is a member at Fourth Presbyterian Church in Greenville. She and her husband, Justin, met at Presbyterian College and have two children, Mac and Eva. Elliott recently completed all CRE requirements and serves as the Congregational Care intern at Fourth. She grew up in Winnsboro, SC. She enjoys traveling with her family, sitting by the fire with her dog, and taking long walks on the beach.

**PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK:** Eddie Watson. Jackie Koch

**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); 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