

SERVING THE CHURCH This Week	SERVING THE CHURCH Next Week
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Elder of the Month For April: Jackie Koch: 443-985-6646	
SESSION MEMBERS	
<u>Class of 2022</u>	<u>Class of 2023</u>
Linda Stenhouse Jerry Kross Jackie Koch	Barb Daugherty Bill Marshall (NS) Ronnie Storch



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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

April 10, 2022

Palm Sunday

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 "The Palms" Transcribed - Perry

***OUR CALL TO WORSHIP** Candie Vaitkevicius, Liturgist

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad. Hosanna!

People: Hosanna in the highest!

***OPENING HYMN #88** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

"Glorify The Name"

Father, we love You

We worship and adore You

Glorify Thy name in all the earth

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Jesus, we love You

We worship and adore You

Glorify Thy name in all the earth

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Bill Marshall (NS) and Ronnie Storch are the Session members on the Nominating Committee. Two volunteers from the congregation are needed to work with them on the Nominating Committee. This committee will be seeking Session members for the Class of 2024.

LEGACY MEETING: The Legacy Committee will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, April 11th at the Church.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: A congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, April 24th, after worship service to elect members of the nominating committee and to review the 2021 Annual Report.

CARDS: Join us for card playing on Wednesday, April 13th at 11 a.m. at the Church. Bring your own lunch.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: will meet on Thursday, April 28th; changed from April 21st.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We need more volunteers to be available to work with children when the need arises. Some parents may not be comfortable with the noise level of having their children in the playground. Also, we hope to reach out to the community with programs to reach families.

With our new Safe Place policy, we need to do background checks and training for all volunteers. Everyone who works with children needs to learn about the risks of child abuse in order to recognize it, prevent it, and respond to it in a proactive way.

Carrie Nettles, the chaplain at the Julie Valentine Center will come to our church and do the training. It will last about an hour and a half including time for questions. The date has not yet been set but will be in May or June. We will try to find a date that works for all.

Please sign up on the back table if you are able to volunteer to help with children. If you have any questions, please speak with Barb Daugherty, Linda Marshall or Linda Stenhouse.

NEW E-MAIL AND WEBSITE are up and running: website: www.simpsonvillepres.com; email: office@simpsonvillepres.com. The old website and email addresses are linked to the new ones, so either will work.

LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER CONCERNS: Pastor Cassie, John Jackson; Jo Klein and the Klein family; Jean Kirkland, Sue Marshall's mother, Barbara; Linda Marksberry (friend of Darrell & Roger); 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); Hector & 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 Papua 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@simpsonvillepres.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. Click on "Videos" in the menu at the top or click on the picture of a worship service in the lower right."

PULPIT SUPPLY: Apr. 17: Mary Anne Welch—Easter (communion)

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

- Where in our congregation do people get beyond surface relationships to share their struggles and know one another deeply?
- What signs do we see of maturing fruit of the Spirit of our people? Where do we need more?

We welcome any input from the congregation.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE: A service for Maundy Thursday will be held on Thursday evening, April 14th, at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

EASTER FLOWERS: Today is the last day to order your Easter Lilies in honor of or in memory of loved ones. Forms are on the back table.

100TH ANNIVERSARY MEETING: The team will meet on Monday, April 11th at 12:30 p.m. at the Church. All are invited to attend.

CONFESSION OF OUR SIN (unison prayer)

Triumphant God, we join the crowds of the ages in shouting your praises. While our lips give you glory, our lives seldom reflect your purposes. We sing easily of your greatness, but living faithfully is often beyond us. We hear of your salvation, yet sin is still close and real, daily leading us away from you. Have mercy on us. Ride into our hearts with healing grace. Forgive what we have done and direct who we shall be. Lord, save us. Hosanna!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: He who rode into Jerusalem, struggled on the cross, and was sealed in a tomb is risen from the dead!

People: Jesus Christ has defeated sin forever. This is good news!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

RESPONSE: "Alleluia"

Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!

HYMN #89 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Luke 19:28-40

SERMON "Faithful Followers and Fickle Friends" Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch

***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 "The Holy City" Transcribed - Perry

*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 #145 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE: "Surely It Is God Who Saves Me"

*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 "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!" Dykes

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.simpsonvillepres.com, or by calling the church office at (864)963-8854.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS today are given by Linda Stenhouse. Thank you.
REFRESHMENTS today are given by Linda Marshall. Thank you.

We welcome to our pulpit today Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch. Rev. Welch was born and grew up in Greenwood, SC. She graduated from Lander College (now University) and had a career as a third-grade teacher in Gaston County (NC) schools. Upon retirement from teaching, she finally responded to God's call and entered Union Presbyterian Seminary in Charlotte. Following graduation, she pastored churches in Great Falls, SC, and Farmington, Iowa, while earning a Doctor of Ministry degree from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Retiring from full-time ministry June 1, 2021, she and husband Lawrence moved to Simpsonville to be near family (and to live again in an area where the decision whether to wear a hat in the winter was a fashion statement and not a matter of life and death). Lawrence and Mary Anne met at Greenwood High School, dated for six years, and have been married forever (49 years, 1 month, and 1 week—but who's counting?).

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: Pastor Cassie & John

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Sandy Marshall (04/10), Jan Kross (04/10), Tania Gerner (04/11)