

SERVING THE CHURCH

This Week

Liturgist: Linda Stenhouse
Sound:
Ushers: Linda Stenhouse
Linda Marshall

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Next Week

Liturgist: Candie Vaitkevicius
Sound:
Ushers: Candie Vaitkevicius
Jan Kross

Elder of the Month

For August: Bill Marshall (NS), 864-967-9855 (H);
864-230-5268 (cell)

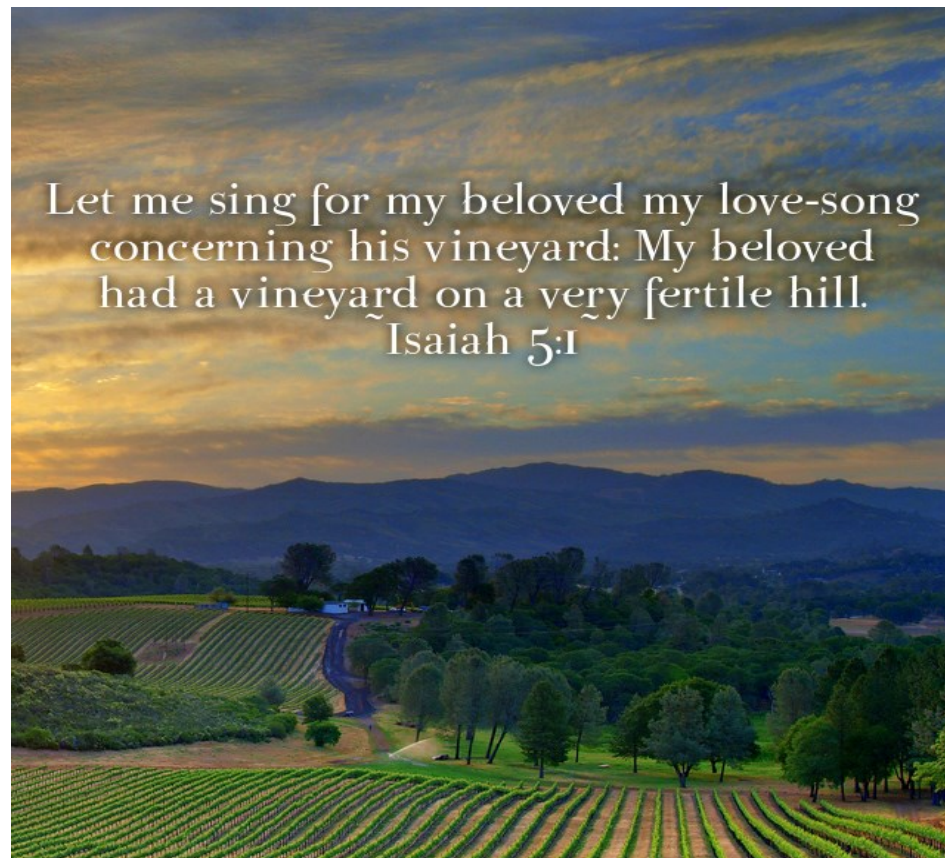
SESSION MEMBERS

Class of 2022

Linda Stenhouse
Jerry Kross
Jackie Koch

Class of 2023

Barb Daugherty
Bill Marshall (NS)
Ronnie Storch



Let me sing for my beloved my love-song
concerning his vineyard: My beloved
had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.
Isaiah 5:1

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August 14, 2022

Celebrating 100 Years!
1922-2022

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"

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 14, 2022

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch has office hours on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. — Noon. Call the Church office to make an appointment.

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 "Jesus Is All the World to Me" arr. Danielson

***OUR CALL TO WORSHIP** Linda Stenhouse, Liturgist
Leader: Behold the gathering of God's own: beside believers and among apostles,

People: all drawn together as disciples and doubters, we are shoulder to shoulder with shepherds and saints!

Leader: Since we are surrounded by this great cloud of witnesses, let us run with perseverance the race before us,

People: looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

***OPENING HYMN #388 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"**

#368 "I've Got Peace Like a River"

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF OUR SIN (unison prayer)

Loving Creator, with a gardener's tender touch, you planted your people to bear good fruit, but we bear wild grapes. With a welder's fierce fire, you fashioned your people to glorify you, but we are riddled with impurities. In your generous mercy, O God, regard the vine you planted: save and restore us. Reform the vessel you crafted: cleanse and refine us. Give us life, O God, that with our whole being, we may worship you rightly. Amen.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION INVITATIONS: The Anniversary Team will be sending postcard invitations to our friends who are former members or have had affiliation with this congregation in the past. If you are still in touch with someone who may appreciate an invitation and you would be willing to share an address, please give it to a member of the anniversary team or email it to the church office. Anniversary team members: Linda Marshall, Linda Stenhouse, Candie Vaitkevicius, Gail West, Kitty Shealy, Alice Grooms, Jackie Koch.

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

- Where in our congregation do we practice Jesus' command to "love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12)?
- How do we encourage people to share with people outside the congregation how God has made a difference in their lives?

We welcome any input from the congregation.

Coming next Sunday, August 21st:

Scripture: Luke 13:10-17/Jeremiah 1:4-10

Sermon: "Only a Boy"

FACEBOOK: Please “like” us on facebook and go to our page frequently. Visiting the Church’s page gives the Church more exposure. Thank you.

SUPPER CLUB: Interested in additional fellowship opportunities? We are considering forming a “Supper Club” beginning in September and Jerry Kross has offered to host the first one. More information will be provided as we get closer to September. Please share your thoughts and interest in participating in this group with a session member.

SAVE THE DATES:

- Hot Dog Roast and Movie Night, Friday, September 23rd, 7 p.m.
- Congregational Meeting, Sunday, September 25th, after worship.
- 100th Anniversary Celebration Worship Service, Sunday, October 23, 2022.

SESSION MEETING: The Session of SPC will meet on Monday, August 15th, at 1:30 p.m. at the church.

KENTUCKY FLOODING: Donations to help victims of the Kentucky flooding can be made to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance through PCUSA. Mail donations to PCUSA, PO Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. Credit card donations can be made by phone: 800-728-7228.

WHERE IS GOD LEADING US? Please join us next Sunday morning at 10am in Classroom #2 for a few minutes to join together in prayer, seeking God's will for our congregation - our vision, our mission, our outreach, our place in God's kingdom. In this 100th anniversary year, we celebrate God's continued faithfulness to us and seek His guidance for our future.

It will be an open invitation to pray - however the Spirit leads you - one or two sentences, more if the Spirit leads you, or silently if you're not comfortable praying out loud. If you would like to bring a Scripture verse to share, that's perfect too! Please come either way! God hears our prayers, both spoken and unspoken. The power of prayer grows if we share it with each other. Your presence will be a gift!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Jesus endured the cross and disregarded its shame for the sake of the joy that was set before him.

All: That joy is our salvation. His joy is our freedom.

Leader: Believe the good news:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

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 #333 “Seek Ye First”

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 5:1-7/Luke 12:49-56

SERMON

“A Strange Sort of Peace”

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.

PASTOR’S PRAYER AND 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 "And Can It Be" arr. Whitworth

***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 #361 "How Firm a Foundation"**

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE: "Lord, Make Us More Holy"

*Lord, make us more holy;
Lord, make us more holy;
Lord, make us more holy,
until we meet again:
Holy, holy, holy,
until we meet again.*

POSTLUDE "Glorious Is Thy Name Most Holy" Tune HOLY MANNA

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 Ronnie Storch Thank you.

REFRESHMENTS today are provided by Kitty Shealy.

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: Jim & Linda Stenhouse, Sharon Stone

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: None

LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER CONCERNS: Jean Kirkland, Sue Marshall's mother, Holly Caprell, Barbara; Linda Marksberry (friend of Darrell & Roger); the Cash family (friends of Darrell and Roger); Elaine Wiegert and family; Michael Kolmer (Sue Marshall's brother); Bob Marshall (Bill Marshall (PA)'s father; Hector & Susan Medina; Joe Vaitkevicius; Rev. Small's daughter Madeline; Tina Vaitkevicius; Dan Mills (brother of Barb Daugherty—Missionary to Papua New Guinea); Ivy Bertuzzi; 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.

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 August are canned meats such as tuna, Vienna sausage, spam; and peanut butter. 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.firstpressimpsonville.com. Click on "Videos" in the menu at the top or click on the picture of a worship service in the lower right."

PHOTOS: We would like to ask that anyone who has historical photos of activities, events, or milestones in the Church's past, to please bring them in so we can use them as part of the 100th Anniversary celebration.