

**SERVING THE CHURCH**

**This Week**

Liturgist: Candie Vaitkevicius  
Sound: Jerry Kross  
Ushers: Jan Kross  
Ronnie Storch

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**Next Week**

Liturgist: Jackie Koch  
Sound: Roger Daugherty  
Ushers: Jackie Koch

**Elder of the Month**

For September: Barb Daugherty, 864-234-0143

**SESSION MEMBERS**

**Class of 2022**

Linda Stenhouse  
Jerry Kross  
Jackie Koch

**Class of 2023**

Barb Daugherty  
Bill Marshall (NS)  
Ronnie Storch

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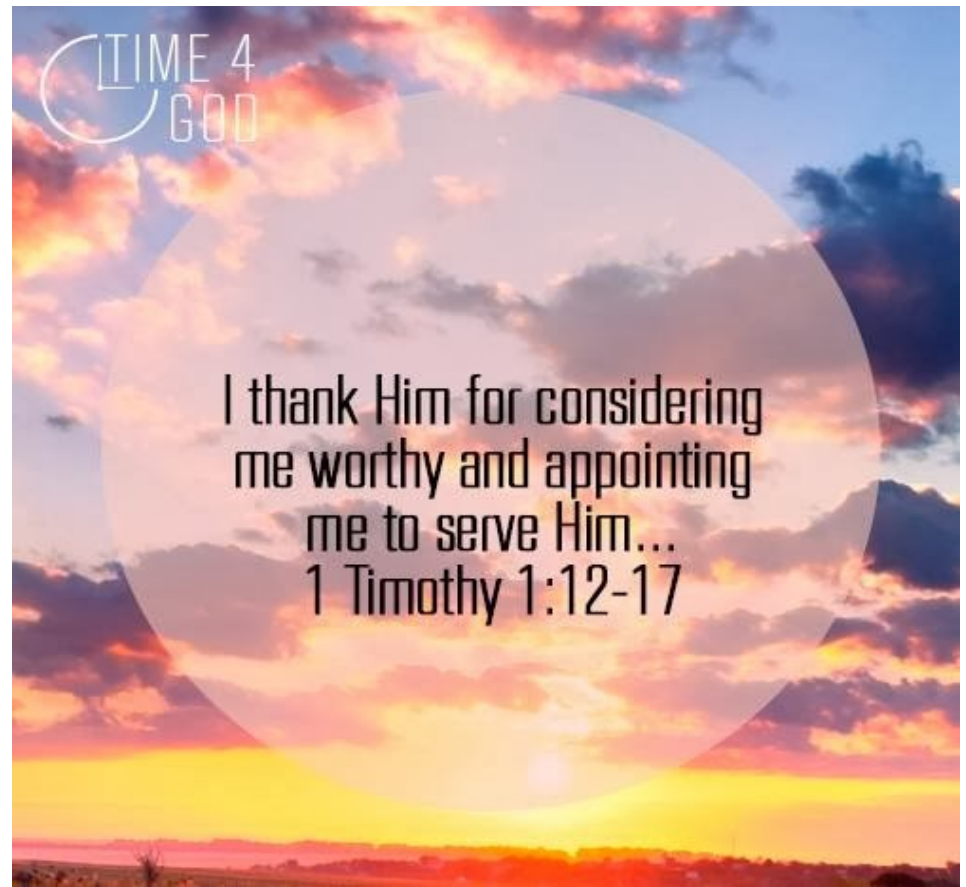
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**September 11, 2022**



*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

Sept. 11, 2022

14th 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 "To God Be the Glory" arr. Whitworth

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

Leader: Crowds gathered to hear Jesus speak of pain -

**People: the pain of losing something precious.**

Leader: Crowds gathered to hear Jesus speak of joy -

**People: the joy of finding what was lost.**

Leader: We gather to hear Jesus speak words of truth, words of power, words of love.

**People: Speak now, O Lord, for your servants are listening.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #356 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

**#447 "Lead On, O King Eternal"**

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

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

**Create in us clean hearts, O God, cast out any transgression you find there — ransack, renovate, redecorate! Deep in our hearts, remove fearful features and restore your original design. The old lamps are dim; bring new light into the darkness. Make your dwelling place deep in our hearts, and teach us wisdom, so the hearts you transform may rejoice. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,

**All: that Christ came into the world to save sinners.**

Leader: Believe the gospel.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are redeemed.**

**PAINTING:** Painting has been completed in the hallways and Sanctuary. Please let us know if you are able to assist in the room preparations when they are planned. If you would like to support the project funding, please place your gift in the offering plate and note it for painting. Thank you.

**WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY:** Inserted in today's bulletin is a write-up for a special offering which will be collected on October 2, 2022. The donations collected will be used to purchase gifts from the Presbyterian Giving Catalog. A list of possible gifts is presented on the insert.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN** will meet at the Church on Thursday, Sept 15th at 11:00 in Classroom #1, and on the third Thursday of each month thereafter at 11:00 to begin the Bible Study "Celebrating Sabbath". Candy Vaitkevicius will lead with the first lesson "Sabbath and Celebration". These meetings normally last an hour although this first meeting of the season may last a bit longer to go over our Mission and topics that have been discussed over the summer. Hope to see you there!

Coming next Sunday, September 18th:

Scripture: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1/1 Timothy 2:1-7

Sermon: "Praying for Others"

**SAVE THE DATE:**

- 100th Anniversary Celebration Worship Service, Sunday, October 23, 2022.

**HOT DOG ROAST AND MOVIE NIGHT:** Our next 100th anniversary celebration event will be held on September 23 at 6:30pm. Please sign up on the Feed the Need Table. Plan to join us for fun and fellowship! Hot dogs and smores will be provided, but if you would be willing to bring a side dish or dessert, please indicate that as well. Friends and neighbors are welcome!

Inserted into today’s bulletin is a voting form to vote for your choice of several movies proposed for Movie Night. Please place your vote by putting an “X” next to the movie you would like to see. The movie with the majority of votes will be shown. Please either put the form in the offering plate or hand it to one of the 100th Anniversary team (see below under Invitations).

**PRACTICE JOY BIBLE STUDY:** Join us for a 4 week Bible study on Sunday mornings Sept. 18 – Oct. 9, from 9:15 to 10:00 am. The study, titled “Practice Joy”, invites us to experience joy through the lens of scripture to see that joy is not a response to circumstances, but is rather a faithful choice. Joy is something that we experience, something we savor, and something that is gifted to us by a loving and merciful God. While we experience joy individually, it is also a communal practice, one that is experienced in different ways by all God’s people. Please sign the sheet in the back of the sanctuary if you are interested. Materials will be provided.

**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, Jan Kross, Jackie Koch. Invitations will be mailed out no later than September 19th.

**RESPONSE: “Change My Heart, O God”**

*Change my heart, O God,  
Make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God,  
May I be like you.*

**HYMN #387 “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”**

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28/1 Timothy 1:12-17

SERMON “Lost and Found” 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 "Near to the Heart of God/I've Got Arr. Whitworth  
Peace Like a River"

\*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 #280 "Amazing Grace"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE: "Lord, Make Us More Loving"

*Lord, make us more loving;  
Lord, make us more loving;  
Lord, make us more loving,  
until we meet again:  
Loving, loving, loving,  
until we meet again.*

POSTLUDE "Sunshine in My Soul" Sweney

**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 com-  
munity, 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 Linda Stenhouse. Thank you.

**REFRESHMENTS** today are given by Ronnie Storch Thank you.

**BIBLE STORY BAGS** are available for children during worship. See an ush-  
er if you would like one for your child to use. Please return the bag to an  
usher after worship.

**PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK:** The Gerner family, Betty Bell

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Darrell Johnson (09/12)

### 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; Robert Polenta (friend of Jackie Koch); Rev. Small's  
daughter Madeline; Tina Vaitkevicius; Dan Mills (brother of Barb Daugh-  
erty—Missionary to Papua New Guinea); Ivy Bertuzzi; Dixie Suit (sister-in-  
law of Kitty Shealy); Roger dney & Jen Gibson (relatives 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.

### 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  
September are condiments such as ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, pick-  
les, salad dressings, etc. As always, we are grateful for all donations.

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

**SUPPER CLUB:** The first Supper Club will be hosted by Jan and Jerry Kross  
on Saturday, October 1st at 5:00 p.m. Everything will be supplied, no  
need to bring anything. A sign-up sheet is on the back table for those  
wishing to participate.