

SERVING THE CHURCH

This Week

Liturgist: Jackie Koch
Sound:
Ushers: Linda Marshall
Bill Marshall (NS)

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Next Week

Liturgist: Candie Vaitkevicius
Sound:
Ushers: Joe Vaitkevicius

Elder of the Month

For January: Linda Stenhouse, 864-967-7218 (H),
864-979-2863 (cell)

SESSION MEMBERS

Class of 2023

Barb Daugherty
Bill Marshall (NS)
Ronnie Storch

Class of 2024

Linda Stenhouse
Jackie Koch
Candie Vaitkevicius



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Sunday, January 8, 2023



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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 8, 2023

Baptism of the Lord

Welcome, announcements

Joys and Concerns

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

Please note that 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 "March of the Kings" arr. Rocherolle

***OUR CALL TO WORSHIP** Jackie Koch, Liturgist

Leader: In baptism God claims us and names us Beloved.

People: In baptism Christ joins us to himself and to one another.

Leader: In baptism the Spirit is poured out upon us.

People: Remember your baptism and be thankful! Thanks be to God!

OPENING HYMNS: #461 "God is Here!"

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

JOURNEY TO THE MANGER Reading: Barb Daugherty

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF OUR SIN (unison prayer)

Gracious God, you claim us and call us, you support us and uphold us, you save us and free us from our sin. Yet we slip into old habits, worshipping idols that have claimed our hearts, disregarding our impact on the earth and our neighbors. Forgive us. Meet us at the water again, that we might know we belong to you. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The good news has been passed down by prophets and priests: everyone who believes in Christ receives forgiveness in his name.

People: We believe; help our unbelief.

Leader: Wherever you are on your journey, you are redeemed, forgiven, and loved.

All: Thanks be to God!

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS: The ordination and installation of class of 2024 Session members will be held today during worship service. Candie Vaitkevicius will be ordained and installed, and Jackie Koch and Linda Stenhouse will be reinstalled.

THE WORSHIP TEAM will meet Tuesday, Jan. 10th, at 10:30 a.m. at the Church.

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

Coming Next Sunday:

Scripture: Isaiah 49:1-7/John 1:35-42

Sermon: Come and See

RESPONSE: *“O Come All Ye Faithful” (refrain)*

O come, let us adore Him

O come, let us adore Him

O come, let us adore Him

Christ the Lord!

HYMNS #10 *“On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”*

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Isaiah 42:1-9/Matthew 3:13-17

SERMON: *“Renew Your Baptism”*

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 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" arr. Smith

***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

INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION OF ELDERS

LITANY OF ORDINATION (see bulletin insert)

Presentation of Members of the Class of 2024

Constitutional Questions

Prayer of Ordination

Declaration and Welcome

*CLOSING HYMNS #492 "Baptised in Water"

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE: "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

*Go, tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and everywhere
Go, tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!*

POSTLUDE "As with Gladness Men of Old" Kocher

WELCOME TO SIMPSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN! 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 are given by Linda Stenhouse. Thank you.

REFRESHMENTS are given by Ronnie Storch. 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.

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK: Ronnie Storch, Alice Grooms

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Robbie Herd (01/11), Jenna Holland (01/11)

LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER CONCERNS: Jean Kirkland, Marsha Johnson (sister of Darrell); Sue Marshall's mother, Barbara; Anne Stenhouse Clark (daughter of Linda); Michael Kolmer (Sue Marshall's brother); Bob Marshall (Bill Marshall (PA)'s father); Hector & Susan Medina; Robert Polenta & Keith Purser (friends of Jackie Koch); the Templeton family; Rev. Small's daughter Madeline; Tina Vaitkevicius; Dan Mills (brother of Barb Daugherty—Missionary to Papau New Guinea); Ivy Bertuzzi; Dixie Suit (sister-in-law of Kitty Shealy); the family of Jen Gibson (relatives of Barb & Roger Daugherty; Roger Edney (relative 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 January are cookies, crackers, sweet treats. 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.firstpresssimpsonville.com. Click on "Videos" in the menu at the top or click on the picture of a worship service in the lower right."