

SERVING THE CHURCH This Week	SERVING THE CHURCH Next Week
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Sunday, June 11, 2023

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

June 11, 2023

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome, announcements

Joys and Concerns

Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch resumed normal office hours beginning on Tuesday, June 6th: Tuesdays from 9 a.m.— Noon. For an appointment, please call the Church office.

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 "Meditation on NEUMARK" arr. Danielsen

*OUR CALL TO WORSHIP Candie Vaitkevicius, Liturgist

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you God's beloved;

People: Sing to God a new song!

Leader: For the word of the Lord is upright,

People: And all God's work is done in faithfulness.

Leader: Our God loves righteousness and justice;

People: The earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

OPENING HYMN: #469 "Morning Has Broken"

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF OUR SIN (unison prayer)

Merciful God, we acknowledge our guilt, and seek your face and your forgiveness. For we have not offered steadfast love to you or each other. We have not moved forward in faith, but have allowed ourselves to be stifled by fear. Revive us, raise us up, that we might live before you, rejoicing in the knowledge of your love. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: When the woman touched Jesus' cloak, he told her, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well."

People: Indeed, we are made well and whole, not because of ourselves, but through the grace of God!

In the Bulb There Is a Flower 250

Hymn of Promise

Capo 3: (D) (Em)
F Gm

1 In the bulb there is a flow - er; in the seed, an ap - ple tree;
2 There's a song in ev - ery si - lence, seek - ing word and mel - o - dy;
3 In our end is our be - gin - ning; in our time, in - fin - i - ty;

(A7) (D)
C7 F

in co - coons, a hid - den prom - ise; but - ter - flies will soon be free!
there's a dawn in ev - ery dark - ness, bring - ing hope to you and me.
in our doubt there is be - liev - ing; in our life, e - ter - ni - ty.

(D7) (G) (Em) (D) (Bm) (Em) (F#) (Bm)
F7 Bb Gm F Dm Gm A Dm

In the cold and snow of win - ter there's a spring that waits to be,
From the past will come the fu - ture; what it holds, a mys - ter - y,
In our death, a res - ur - rec - tion; at the last, a vic - to - ry,

(G) (Em) (D) (Bm) (Em) (A7) (D)
Bb Gm F Dm Gm C7 F

un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.

The writing of this hymn was spurred by a line from the poet T. S. Eliot: "In my end is my beginning." Shortly after this piece was completed, the author/composer's husband was diagnosed with what proved to be a terminal malignancy, and the original anthem version of this hymn was sung at his funeral.

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PROMISE
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on until mid-July. I will be back in the office beginning June 6 for my regular Tuesday office hours and back in the pulpit June 11 to begin a sermon series on the "I AM" statements of Jesus.

Grace, peace, and much love,
Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch

BIBLE STUDY: Acts: Catching Up With The Spirit, written by Matthew L. Skinner is coming soon. Through this Bible study, we will learn to experience God's faithfulness and guidance by joining the journey with Jesus' followers in the book of Acts.

Please join us for this 6 week Bible study on Sunday mornings July 16 through August 20. We will begin at 9:15 and end about 10:10. If you can't make it every week, that's okay. Just come when you can.

Books will be made available upon request. The suggested donation is \$10. If you order a book by June 25, you will receive it by July 9, in time to read the first chapter before the study begins. Checks should be made out to the church.

A sign-up sheet is located in the back of the sanctuary.

CARDS: Join us for card playing Wednesday, June 14th, at 11 a.m. at the Church. Bring your own lunch.

MESSAGE FROM GREENVILLE CHORALE MEMBER JIMMY CHEEKS: The Greenville Chorale will present their June concert: Orff's "CARMINA BURANA" at Brevard Music Center, Friday, June 23- 7:30 pm.

For ticket information call Brevard Music Center Box Office: 828-862-2100 or visit the website: <https://secure.brevardmusic.org/Online/default.asp>.

Coming Next Sunday:

Scripture: Numbers 6:22-27/John 9:1-12

Sermon: "I AM the Light of the World

Leader: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE: "Lord, Send a Revival" (chorus)

*Lord, send a revival; Lord, send a revival;
Lord, send a revival; And let it begin with me.*

HYMNS #341 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine"

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 78:25-29/John 6:35-51

SERMON: "I AM the Bread of Life" 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.

Prayer 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 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" arr. Atwood

***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 "In the Bulb, There is a Flower" (bulletin pg. 7)

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE: "The Lord Bless and Keep You"

*The Lord bless and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine on you
And be gracious, gracious.*

*The Lord bless and keep you,
The Lord lift his countenance on you
And give peace, give you peace.*

Amen, Amen.

POSTLUDE "Look, Ye Saints! The Sight is Glorious" Owen

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 today are given by Ronnie Storch. Thank you.

REFRESHMENTS today are given by Linda Stenhouse. 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: Mary Anne & Lawrence Welch, Ron & Judy Lundy

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Jimmy Cheeks (06/12),

LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER CONCERNS: Jean Kirkland, Kitty Shealy, Sue Marshall's mother, Everett (sister of Donnett); Michael Kolmer (Sue Marshall's brother); Bob Marshall (Bill Marshall (PA)'s father; the May family; Debbie Ramsdell (sister-in-law of Ronnie); Hector & Susan Medina; Scott Hatfield (son-in-law of Candie & Joe); Candie's cousin Greg; Dan Mills (brother of Barb Daugherty—Missionary to Papau New Guinea); Dixie Suit (sister-in-law of Kitty Shealy); Helen Guthrie; the Grooms family; The Bell family; 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 June are spaghetti sauce and noodles. 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."

THANK YOU: Thank you all for the thoughts, prayers, cards, food, and transportation during my recovery period. It meant so much to Lawrence and to me. My recovery is proceeding as expected (in other words, too slow from my point of view!). I understand that recovery will take 8-10 weeks, so I will need to rest, stay active, not lift anything heavy, and so