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<p><b>Elder of the Month</b>  For January: Barb Daugherty, 864-234-0143  For February: Bill Marshall PA: 864-228-6990</p>											
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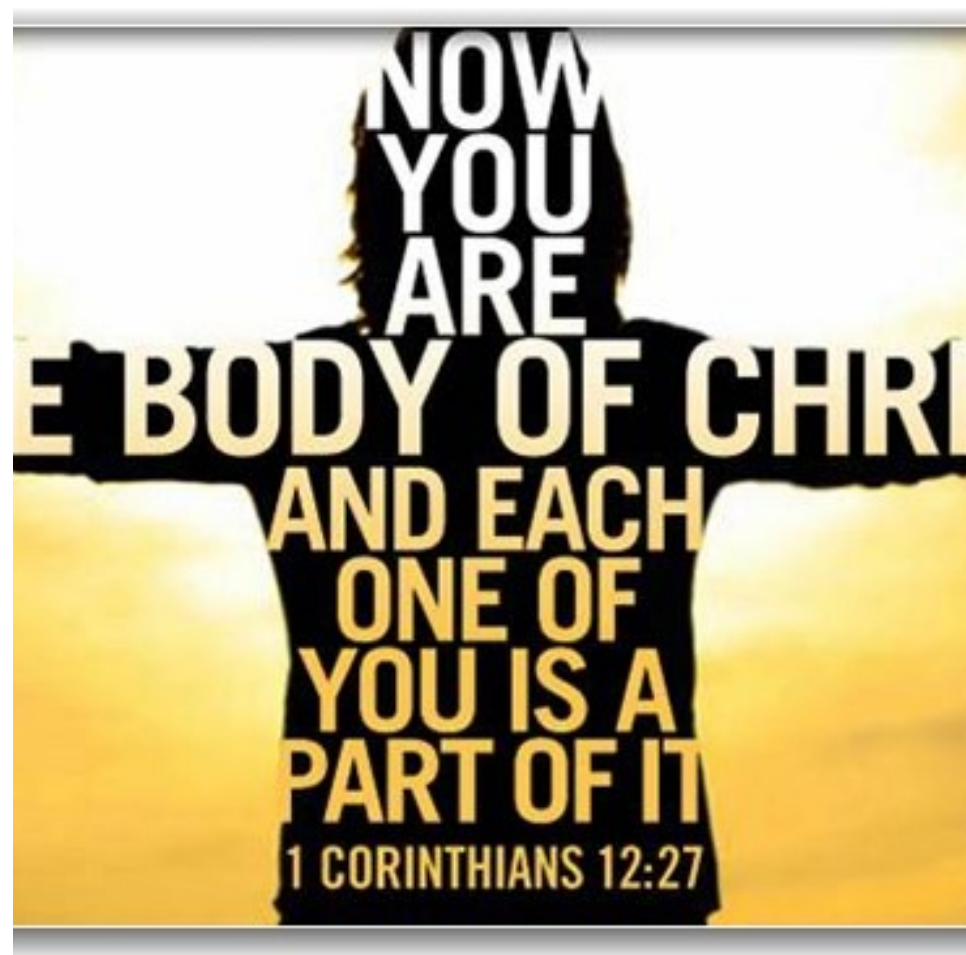
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Next Week!

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**Sunday, January 26, 2025**

**Simpsonville Presbyterian Church**  
Simpsonville, SC

*"Growing Together in Faith – Loving and Serving in the World"*

# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 26, 2025

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome, announcements

Prayers and Concerns

Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch has office hours on Tuesdays from 9 a.m.-Noon. Please call 864-963-8854 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            "This Little Light of Mine"            arr. Albrecht

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

Leader: Jesus comes to proclaim good news to us all!

**People: Jesus releases those who are captive, gives sight to the blind, helps the oppressed, and declares the year of the Lord's favor!**

Leader: May we go and do likewise, offering hope to a hurting world.

**People: And may it all begin with our worship of God.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #108    "Christ is Alive"**

**HYMN: "His Name is Wonderful"**

*His name is Wonderful, His name is Wonderful,  
His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord.  
He is the mighty King, Master of every thing,  
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.  
He's the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages, Almighty God is he;  
Bow down before him, Love and adore him,  
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.*

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

Gracious God, we are far from the people you have called us to be. We are mired in self-centeredness, seeing things only in terms of how they relate to us and our happiness. Turn our hearts, bent as they are towards ourselves, out to the world around us. Make us more concerned with others, with their welfare and happiness, leaving our own con-

**BIBLE STUDY :** A 4-week Bible study on honoring the Sabbath is offered on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am running through Feb. 9. In a quick-moving world filled with routines, the Sabbath can often become just another day of the week. It is so much more than that! Come join us and discover how honoring the Sabbath can lead to peace and joy.

**NOTE:** Please remember to sign up for liturgist, ushers, refreshments and pulpit flowers. Sign up sheets are on the back table. Thank you.

**SOUP'S ON!!!** With the cold weather we're experiencing, what would taste better than a nice warm bowl of homemade soup? On Sunday, February 2, the Presbyterian Women's Group will host a Soup Luncheon after the Church Service. Scout Troop 700 will be involved in the Church Service that day and they, along with their friends and families, are also invited to share our meal and we hope you'll welcome them for fellowship and various soups to enjoy.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who contributed items this Christmas Season to the Clinton Presbyterian Community. Bill and I delivered five large boxes to them and they were so grateful for everything. Your generosity was truly appreciated.

**COMING NEXT SUNDAY:** Boy Scout Sunday (no communion)

Scriptures: Jeremiah 1:4-10/Luke 4:16-30

Sermon: If Jesus Came to Simpsonville

**cerns to you, O God. Forgive us for our many mistakes and make us anew we pray. Amen.**

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Our righteousness is found in Christ alone, a gift of God by faith.

**People: We believe the good news: through the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

**RESPONSE:**     *“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”*

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer  
When I call, answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer  
Come and listen to me.*

Hymn # 138     **“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”**

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS; Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10/1 Corinthians 12:12-31

SERMON: “Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes—You Are the Body of Christ”  
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 in the sanctuary just inside the back double doors.)

OFFERTORY "Sweet Hour of Prayer" arr. Mier

**\*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 #293** "This is My Father's World"

**\*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 "Tell the Good News" Bartlett

**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](http://www.simpsonvillepres.com), or by calling the church office at (864)963-8854.

**FLOWERS** today are given by Gail West. Thank you.

**REFRESHMENTS** today are given by Jackie Koch. 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:** Carolyn Dalton, Kitty Shealy

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Cindy Brawley (01/26), Paula Ely (01/29), Jerry Kross (01/29), Linda Stenhouse (01/31)

**LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION**

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Jan Johnson; Lawrence Welch; Jo Klein; Lena Staschak, Donnett Hanson; Alice Grooms; Cory and children (friends of Brenda Stenhouse); Conner Dixon (friend of Jimmy Cheeks); Alysa Berdan (co-worker of Roger Pryor); the Powell family (friends of Jackie Koch); Sue Marshall's mother; Tina Minnich (daughter of Candie & Joe); Beverly Sullivan (friend of Jimmy Cheeks); Everett (sister of Donnett); Debra Datko; Lisa Shelf; Roger Edney (relative 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 February are sweet and salty snacks. 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.simpsonvillepres.com](http://www.simpsonvillepres.com). Click on "Videos" in the menu at the top or click on the picture of a worship service in the lower right.