

Worship Elements

Communion: The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding.

Music Notes: The opening hymn is a paraphrase of Psalm 124. That psalm is a song of thanksgiving for deliverance, but this text is more of a celebration of the assurance of deliverance. These lyrics were written specifically to fit a 16th century hymn-tune used by all those singing Psalm 124 from the French, Dutch, Scottish and English psalters.

Worship Assistants

Sunday, July 7th:

Liturgist: Banks Robinson
 Counters: Banks & Polly Robinson
 Usher: Mary Johnson
 Greeters: Robert & Kitsie Miller
 Acolyte: n/a Communion
 Children's Message: Mary Dempster
 Children's Corner: Mary Dempster
 Communion Preparation: Sue & Ron Kesterson
 Communion Servers: Kitsie Miller, Jeanne LeBoeuf, Ernie Bussells

Sunday, July 14th:

Liturgist: Bruce C Hurley
 Counters: Jim & Elizabeth Taylor
 Usher: Ron Kesterson
 Greeters: Jim Wilhide, John Carter
 Acolyte: Abby Dempster
 Children's Message: Julie Bussells
 Children's Corner: Sue Kesterson

Church Staff

Interim Minister: Pastor Jim Rowell; jim@sopc.net

Director of Music Ministry: Dr. Lloyd Pilkington

Office Administrator: Mrs. Annah G. Hiers; sopc@sopc.net

Accompanist: Elder Sharon Watkins

Building Superintendent: Mr. Karl Thompson

Volunteer Financial Administrator:

Elder Sharon Staton; sharon@sopc.net

Nursery Coordinator: Mrs. Amy Schwartz



OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sunday, July 7:

9:00 am - 11:00 am - The Well Church
 9:45 am - 10:45 am - Sunday School for Adults
 10:30 am - Choir Rehearsal
 11:00 am - Worship
 11:00 am - 3:00 pm - Liberty Life Church
 11:00 am - 4:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.
 12:15 pm - 1:30 pm - Good News Ministry Meeting
 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm - Love Revolution

Monday, July 8:

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Day Camp
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Troop 91
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA
 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

Tuesday, July 9:

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Day Camp
 11:00 am - 12:00 pm - Staff Meeting
 12:30 pm - SOPW Salad Luncheon
 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Tutoring
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Yoga
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA
 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

Wednesday, July 10:

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Day Camp
 5:45 pm - 7:45 pm - NAMI
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA

Thursday, July 11:

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Day Camp
 9:00 am - Coffee Talk with Pastor Jim at Loveland
 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Tutoring
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Liberty Life Church

Friday, July 12: OFFICE CLOSED

6:45 am - 7:45 am - Men's Lanterns Prayer Group
 8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Day Camp
 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

Saturday, July 13:

9:30 am - 1:00 pm - Upper Room Church
 10:00 am - 2:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elin Int'l.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 15-18: Joint VBS with Liberty Church: "Scuba-: Diving Into Friendship with God!"

July 21: Churchwide Fellowship Supper, 6-8 pm

July 22/23: Youth SCDNR Cleanup Service Project

July 27: Irmo Fire Department Foundation Yard Sale at SOPC

August 8-11: Churchwide Gathering of PW in St. Louis & Women's Connection at Montreat

August 14: Blood Drive

September 8: Rally Day



Connect with Us!

A **nursery** is available in Building A during worship for children ages: 0 - 4. If you have any questions, please see an usher for help.



Guests are invited to stop by the welcome table in the narthex/lobby. Please take a goody bag with you as a reminder of God's love. Also, please leave your information for us on the yellow card and place it in the offering baskets. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

If you would like to place **fresh flowers in the sanctuary for worship** on a specific Sunday, please call the church office at 803-772-1761.



In our prayers...

Bruce Hurley	Mae Leviner
John Carter	Alida Rawl
Alene Rogers	Our Ukraine Family
Janet Jordan & Daughter	Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz in Cuba
Jane Blackwell	Daniel and Elizabeth Turk (Missionaries)
Al Charles	Long Term Care -
Fran & Jeffrey Brannon	Dave, Rich & Sam Allen
Ira Leon	Edith Blanchett
Myrna Gause	Kathie Cashion
Kirk Wirth	Barbara Fowler
Barry Shatzer	Bobby Sellars (Father of John Paul Sellars)
Kynslee Davis	Patricia Williams
Willie Hale	

SESSION MEMBERS (*indicates chair)

Clerk of Session: Polly Robinson

Membership Secretary: Shelagh Wirth

Class of 2025:

John Carter - Buildings & Grounds*

Ed Keelen - Good News*

Sharon Staton - Missions*

Sharon Watkins - Worship*

Class of 2026:

Liz Harris - Fellowship

Kathy Keane - Christian Ed*

Banks Robinson - Fellowship*

Class of 2027:

Bruce Hurley - Congregational Care*

Jeanne LeBoeuf - Missions

Kitsie Miller - Fellowship

Elizabeth Taylor - Administration*

Trustees:

Frank Sheppard (Administration*), Carol Griffith

(Fellowship), Hal Bowman (Administration)

Treasurer: Hal Bowman

Presbyterian Women Moderators (SOPW):

Mary Johnson & Julie Bussells

Announcements:

VBS is almost here! Join us July 15-18 from 5 - 7:30 pm.

Registration is live! You can scan the QR code on the flyer to register or call the church office! Please invite family & friends. Contact the church office if you would like some flyers to hand out.

The first phase of our **new church website is LIVE** at www.sopc.net, including links to bulletins/newsletters and our church calendar, which Annah updates daily! Please be patient as continue to add more information. Thanks go out to our Good News Ministry for all their hard work!

SOPW Salad Luncheon is THIS TUESDAY at 12:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We are trying LUNCHTIME this year in hopes that more ladies of the church will be able to join us. No need to RSVP. Just bring your favorite salad to share and maybe a friend!

Buildings & Grounds will continue fixing our **lawn sprinkler system** for the next few weeks. If you have an hour or two to volunteer to help, please call or text Karl Thompson at 803-237-4519. Thanks!

Please join us for Love Revolution in the Pavilion today from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm and help Ashland UMC serve food to our neighbors in need!

Josie Wilkes has volunteered to be our new SOPC Social Media Coordinator! Please send her information & pictures you would like posted on our pages' feeds. Thanks, Josie!

Our **BOOK GROUP** is reading *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt this month. We will meet at Steve's Hamburgers Thursday, July 25th, at 1:30 for an optional lunch followed by a book discussion. RSVP to Kitsie Miller at 803-463-6958.

All men are invited to **Lanterns Men's Group** on Friday mornings from 6:45 - 7:45 in the Fellowship Hall.

SOPC YOUTH: Our "No Bummer Summer" is underway! We would love to have you (youth & adults) join us July 22nd and/or 23rd for a SCDNR "registered cleanup." There will be water play after!

If you are available to **volunteer in the Clothing Closet**, either to sort donations or to staff the closet on Sunday afternoons, please contact Sharon Staton or Loretta Demko.

If you would like to volunteer in the sanctuary's **sound booth** occasionally, please contact the church office. Training provided!

Shelagh Wirth is **collecting gift cards \$10+ to Lowes, Amazon, Target, or Walmart and/or packages of period products to take to the Churchwide Gathering of PW in St. Louis** in August for the charities they are supporting. Please bring your donations to the church by July 30th.

Would you like to be an SOPC Host? Let's welcome visitors by establishing relationships with them so that they become familiar with and involved in our church as they grow in their relationships with Christ. We will equip you with an instructional handbook and training. Contact Ed Keelen or Polly Robinson if interested.

July's **Ladies' Luncheon** will be held Monday the 15th at noon at The Bistro, 1085 Lake Murray Blvd., Irmo. If attending, please notify Margaret Royals, 803-608-1434.

If you have **plastic grocery bags** to donate, our Missions ministry could use them. We use them to pack snacks for students in need at Seven Oaks Elementary School.