

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

All children, youth, and adult educators are invited to bring their backpacks / bookbags forward with them. We invite children ages 4k - 4th grade to sit in the Children's Corner after the Children's Message. A designated adult will be sitting with the children, and age appropriate activities will be provided that go along with worship. Parents will pick up their children after the service.

Mary Dempster

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS: Please see insert.

Pastor Jim Rowell

MUSICAL SELECTION *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore (Tu' has venido a la orilla)* Cesareo Gabarain
Chancel Choir

Tú has venido a la orilla, no has buscado ni a sabios, ni a ricos, tan solo quieres que yo te siga.

Estribillo: *Señor, me has mirado a los ojos, sonriendo has dicho mi nombre, en la arena he dejado mi barca, junto a ti buscaré otro mar.*

Tú sabes bien to que tengo: en mi barca no hay oro ni espadas, tan solo redes y mi trabajo

Estribillo

Tú necesitas mis manos, mi cansancio que a otros descansa, amor que quiera seguir amando.

Estribillo

Tú pescador de otros lagos, ansia eterna de almas que esperan, amigo bueno, que así' me llamas.

Estribillo

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor Tirisay Durán Martínez

SCRIPTURE

Habakkuk 3:17-19

Elder Yosbeni Ochoa Padilla

One: The Word of the Lord!

All: **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE: *Alégrate Siempre en el Señor / Rejoice Always in the Lord*

Pastor Tirisay Durán Martínez

RESPONDING IN FAITH

OFFERING: Tithes & offerings may be placed in the boxes with crosses at the main exit of the Narthex or given via sopc.net.

SPECIAL GIFT

Pastor Jim Rowell

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Pastor Jim Rowell

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor Jim Rowell

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor Tirisay Durán Martínez

ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

The congregation is invited to come forward, receive the elements, and return to their seats

PRAYER

Pastor Jim Rowell

*HYMN #313

Lord, Make Us More Holy

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Pastor Jim Rowell

*POSTLUDE

Prelude in C Major

J.S. Bach

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**September 8, 2024
16th Sunday After Pentecost**

WELCOME / BIENVENIDOS!

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jim Rowell

WE GATHER TOGETHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE

And Crown Him Lord of All

Holden / Gilbert M. Martin

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS: Psalm 105:1,3

Pastor Jim Rowell

One: Give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make God's deeds known to all people!

Uno: Dad gracias al Señor; invocad su nombre; haced conocer a todos los hombres sus obras.

All: **Give praise to God's holy name! Let the hearts rejoice of all those seeking the Lord!**

Todos: **Dad gracias al santo nombre de Dios. ¡Que se alegren los corazones de todos los que buscan al Señor!**

*HYMN #33

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Pastor Jim Rowell

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of grace, God of glory,
Dios de gracia, Dios de gloria,
We live in difficult times.**

Vivimos tiempos difíciles.

We confess that we do not ask for the help of others—to pray for us.

Confesamos que no pedimos la ayuda de los demás para que oren por nosotros.

We do not seek the wisdom of the older people—to advise us.

No buscamos la sabiduría de las personas mayores para que nos aconsejen.

Worst of all, we do not seek your power—to uphold us.

Lo peor de todo es que no buscamos tu poder para que nos sostengas.

In your great mercy, forgive us.

En tu gran misericordia, perdónanos.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days. Amen.

Concedenos sabiduría, concedenos valor para vivir estos días. Amén.

*MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON: from 1 John 4:9-10 (CEB)

One: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Uno: En Jesucristo somos perdonados.

All: **This is our hope and our salvation, and the source of our greatest peace. Alleluia and amen!**

Todos: **Esta es nuestra esperanza y nuestra salvación, y la fuente de nuestra mayor paz. ¡Aleluya y amén!**

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Worship Elements

Music Notes: There was a significant revival of religious song in Spain in the 1970's. *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* was one of the most popular songs in Spain at that time. It has since been translated into 80 languages, and today is sung across many parts of the world. You can find both the English and Spanish words to this song in our hymnal #721. This song reminds us that just as Peter, Andrew, James and John were called from their boat to become fishers of men, we too are called to follow, love and serve Jesus Christ.

Children's Message: Learning to worship takes time, and we include our youngest members in worship by inviting them to the front for the children's message. We are patient with young disciples learning to worship because God is patient with those of us who are older who are also learning to worship God.

Worship Assistants

Sunday, September 8th: RALLY DAY!

Liturgists: Pastor Jim Rowell, Elder Yosbeni Ochoa Padilla
Translators: Romeo & Moises Puquir
Counters: Jim & Elizabeth Taylor
Usher: Ron Kesterson
Greeters: Jim Wilhide, John Carter
Acolyte: N/A Communion
Children's Message: Mary Dempster
Children's Corner: Mary Dempster
Communion Preparation: Sharon Watkins
Communion Servers: Liz Harris, John Carter, Bruce Hurley, Yosbeni Ochoa Padilla
Prayer Ad Volunteer: Bruce Hurley

Sunday, September 15th:

Liturgist: Bruce Hurley
Counters: Sharon Watkins, Jim Wilhide
Usher: John Carter
Greeters: Janice Reiser, Mary Johnson
Acolyte: Ellis Robinson
Children's Message: Pastor Jim Rowell
Children's Corner: Sue Kesterson
Prayer Ad Volunteer: Pastor Jim Rowell

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

4 WAYS TO GIVE!



IN PERSON



BY MAIL



ONLINE



BY TEXT



OFFICE HOURS:

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



Sunday, September 8:

9:00 am - 11:45 am - Rally Day in the FH
9:00 am - 11:00 am - The Well Church
9:30 am - Choir Rehearsal
11:00 am - Worship
11:00 am - 3:00 pm - Liberty Church
11:00 am - 4:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - Good News Ministry Meeting
12:15 pm - Youth Group Out to Lunch
3:00 pm - Clothing Closet Opens
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm - Love Revolution



Monday, September 9:

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
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, September 10:

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
10:00 am - 11:00 am - Staff Meeting
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm - Rachel Circle
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA
8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.



Wednesday, September 11: Patriot Day

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
5:45 pm - 7:45 pm - NAMI
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA

Thursday, September 12:

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
10:30 am - 1st Thessalonians Bible Study
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Liberty Church
6:30 pm - Hannah Circle at Julie Bussells' House



Friday, September 13: OFFICE CLOSED

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

Saturday, September 14:

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



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Now - December 5: 1st Thessalonians Thursday Morning Bible Study led by Pastor Jim at 10:30 am in the Fellowship Classroom

September 23: Laurel Crest Anniversary Celebration

October 6: World Communion Sunday / Peace & Global Witness Offering

October 27: Reformation Sunday AND a Blessing of the Badges to honor and thank community 1st Responders.

November 1-2: All Saints' & All Souls' Days

November 9: Harvest Family Festival

November 10: Stewardship Sunday

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.



SESSION MEMBERS (*indicates chair)

Clerk of Session: Polly Robinson

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: Kathy Locklair

Presbyterian Women Moderator (SOPW):

Julie Bussells*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please join us for **Love Revolution** in the Pavilion today from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm and help serve food to our neighbors in need! Our Clothing Closet will open 30 minutes prior.

NEXT SUNDAY, we will have a church-wide FELLOWSHIP SUPPER at 6 pm in the Pavilion, weather permitting. It will be in the Fellowship Hall in case of rain. The menu is: fish fry, low country boil, hush puppies, slaw, and dessert. Yum!

Don't forget to bring your used crayons to the donation boxes in the Narthex & church office! They will be shipped to a charity who melts them down to make free, new crayons for pediatric hospital patients. So far, we have collected 44 pounds of old crayons

Our **BOOK GROUP** HAS CHANGED their September book selection to *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. They will meet at Steve's Hamburgers on Thursday, September 26, at 1:30 for an optional lunch followed by a book discussion and fellowship. RSVP to Kitsie Miller at 803-463-6958.

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

Rachel Circle will meet Tuesday at 2 pm in the Fellowship Classroom. **Hannah Circle** will meet Thursday at 6:30 pm at the home of Julie Bussells: 19 Sunrise Point, Irmo, SC 29063.

SOPC Youth will meet for lunch, fellowship, and planning after worship today. Next Sunday, we will have a joint meeting with Westminster PC in our SOPC Youth Room at 5:30 pm.

Our next **Ladies' Luncheon** will be held Monday, September 16th at noon at the Blue Marlin restaurant. If attending, please notify Margaret Royals. 803-608-1434

Special thanks to Romeo & Moises Puquir from Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.'s church family for translating today!

In our Prayers:

Those reaching out through our Facebook Prayer Ad

Aletha Robinson

Kathy Morganelli

Sandra Johnson's father, George Sr. & mother, Mary

Brenda Turner

Tricia Dillon Thomas

John Carter

Alene Rogers

Janet Jordan & Daughter & Sister

Jane Blackwell

Al & Margaret Charles

Fran & Jeffrey Brannon
Ira Leon

Kirk Wirth

Barry Shatzer

Kynslee Davis

SOPC's Homebound Members

Our Christian Friends in Ukraine

Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz in Cuba

Daniel and Elizabeth Turk (Missionaries)

Long Term Care:

Dave, Rich & Sam Allen

Edith Blanchett

Kathie Cashion

Barbara Fowler

Bobby Sellars (Father of John Paul Sellars)

Patricia Williams