

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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.

Elder Bruce C Hurley

MUSICAL SELECTION

*Praise to the Lord*  
Piano 4-Hand

Joel Raney

ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCE: Please see insert.

Pastor Jim Rowell

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 5:1-12

One: The Word of the Lord!

All: **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE:

*Presenté*

RESPONDING IN FAITH

OFFERING: Tithes & offerings may be placed in the boxes with crosses at the main exit of the Narthex or given via [www.sopc.net](http://www.sopc.net).

One: May these gifts, given in gratitude and love...

All: **Change us and the world to serve your purpose.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Elder Bruce C Hurley

**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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick 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.**

\*CLOSING HYMN #796

*We Come to You for Healing, Lord*

(You are invited to come forward during the singing of our closing hymn and place your Time & Talent forms and your Financial Commitment cards on the communion table. Extra forms and cards are available in the narthex.)

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Pastor Jim Rowell

\*Please stand in body or in spirit. **When items are in bold, you are invited to join aloud.**

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STRIKING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder Bruce C Hurley

WE GATHER TOGETHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE

*Here I Am, Lord*

Schutte / John Carter

HONORING OUR VETERANS

Elder Bruce C Hurley

\*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS

One: Death is swallowed up forever; let us wipe away our tears.

All: **We remember with thanksgiving all those who are dear to us.**

One: Our ancestors in faith have laid the foundation for this day.

All: **We remember with appreciation those who paved the way with their faith.**

One: Wives, husbands, grandmothers, grandfathers, parents, sisters, brothers, and friends.

All: **We remember with gratitude God's gift of people.**

One: The gifts of many people make us who we are.

All: **We remember with love and honor the people who blessed us with their lives.**

One: God brings a new heaven and a new earth; let us live with great hope.

All: **We look to the future in peace, even as we remember the past.**

\*OPENING HYMN #39

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

Elder Bruce C Hurley

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, you promise to dwell with us forever. You promise to wipe away every tear from our eyes. Through the prophet Isaiah, you invited your people to a feast of rich food and well-aged wines. We are slow to rejoice in your promises. We are inattentive to the communion of saints surrounding us. O God, forgive us and quicken our hearts. Help us to believe your promises and live into them, sustained by all the faithful who live with you in glory. Amen.**

\*MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 8:34, 2 Cor. 5:17

One: Hear the good news! Christ died for us; Christ rose for us; Christ reigns in power for us; Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Believe the good news of the gospel!

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

\*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.**



Please note December 8th and 24th in the *Upcoming Events* section of the bulletin.

## Worship Assistants

### Sunday, November 10th:

Liturgist: Bruce Hurley  
 Counters: Sharon Staton, Jim Wilhide  
 Usher: Ron Kesterson  
 Greeters: Janice Reiser, Mary Dempster  
 Acolyte: Ellis Robinson  
 Children's Message: Bruce Hurley  
 Children's Corner: Sue Kesterson  
 Prayer Ad Volunteer: Ed Keelen

### Sunday, November 17th:

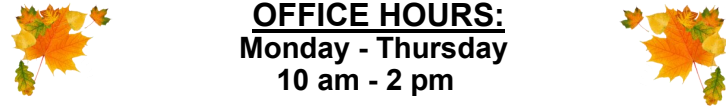
Liturgist: Pastor Jim Rowell  
 Counters: Julie Bussells, John Carter  
 Usher: John Carter  
 Greeters: Mark & Marion Wishart  
 Acolyte: Ellis Robinson  
 Children's Message: Sue Kesterson  
 Children's Corner: Dallene Smith  
 Prayer Ad Volunteer: Bruce Hurley

## 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!



## OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday 10 am - 2 pm

**Sunday, November 10:** All Saints Sunday, Veterans' Sunday, Commitment Sunday, Poinsettia Orders Due, Advent Devotionals Due

9:00 am - 11:00 am - The Well Church  
 9:30 am - Choir  
 9:45 am - Sunday School for All Ages  
 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 - Food Truck Open for Lunch  
 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm - Good News Ministry Meeting  
 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Fall Festival (Youth Helping)  
 3:00 pm - Clothing Closet Opens  
 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm - Love Revolution

**Monday, November 11: Veterans' Day**

8:00 am - 4:00 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, November 12:**

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School  
 11:00 am - 12:00 pm - Staff Meeting  
 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm - Rachel Circle  
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Yoga  
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA  
 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

**Wednesday, November 13:**

8:00 am - 4:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School  
 4:45 pm - 6:00 pm - Lesser Epistles Bible Study  
 5:45 pm - 7:45 pm - NAMI  
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA

**Thursday, November 14:**

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School  
 10:30 am - 1st Thessalonians Bible Study  
 11:45 am - 1:15 pm - Centering Prayer Group  
 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm - Live Oak Counseling  
 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm - Hannah Circle Meeting  
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Liberty Church

**Friday, November 15: OFFICE CLOSED**

6:45 am - 7:45 am - Men's Lanterns Prayer Group  
 8:00 am - 10:00 pm - Liberty Church Solemn Assembly  
 8:00 am - 4:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School  
 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

**Saturday, November 16:**

8:00 am - 10:00 pm - Liberty Church Solemn Assembly  
 11:30 am - 3:30 pm - Mary Kay Training

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**November 17:** Church-wide Fellowship Supper (Gobble, gobble!)  
**November 18:** Ladies' Luncheon at Bonefish Grill  
**November 24:** Thornwell Offering; Family Advent Event  
**November 26:** Decorating the Sanctuary & Narthex for Advent & Christmas  
**December 1:** Advent Begins; Communion  
**December 8:** Special Music of the Season in Worship  
**December 10:** Rachel Circle's Christmas Luncheon at Miyo's at 12:30 pm  
**December 13:** Joint Adult Sunday School Classes' Christmas Dinner Party at Carol Griffith's Home  
**December 15:** Prime Rib Fellowship Supper  
**December 20:** Church Christmas Party at Chestnut Hill Plantation Clubhouse  
**December 22:** Christmas Joy Offering  
**December 24:** Christmas Eve Candlelight Service; Music Begins at 5 pm; Worship Begins at 5:30 pm.  
**January 19:** Churchwide Fellowship "Breakfast for Supper" at 6 pm

**A nursery** is available in Building A during Sunday school & 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 the gift 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 (\*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

**Treasurer:** Kathy Locklair

**Presbyterian Women Moderator (SOPW):**

Julie Bussells\*

### In Our Prayers:

Shelagh Wirth & Family	SOPC's Homebound Members
Those reaching out through our Facebook Prayer Ad	Our Christian Friends in Ukraine
Donna Moore	Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz, Cuba
Aletha Robinson	Daniel and Elizabeth Turk (Missionaries)
Sandra Johnson's Parents	Those Less Fortunate
John Carter	<b>Long Term Care:</b>
Alene Rogers	Dave, Rich & Sam Allen
Janet Jordan & Daughter & Sister	Edith Blanchett
Jane Blackwell	Kathie Cashion
Al & Margaret Charles	Barbara Fowler
Fran & Jeffrey Brannon	Bobby Sellars (Father of John Paul Sellars)
Ira Leon	Patricia Williams
Barry Shatzer	
Kynslee Davis	

## 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.

**A Season of Gratitude:** During the month of November, those signed up for our church email list will receive **daily devotions** on gratitude based on relevant passages of Scripture. The Family **Thankfulness calendar** for November, courtesy of our Christian Education Ministry, is available in the narthex.

Anyone who would like to **help us decorate the sanctuary and narthex for Advent & Christmas** is invited to join us Tuesday, November 26th, at 10 am.

**Our YOUTH** will gather and help with the church's Fall Festival this afternoon.

If you would like to serve as a **PRAYER BUDDY** to one of our wonderful children or youth, please contact Julie Bussells.

**The Presbyterian Women's annual "Thank Offering,"** which provides grants to worthy causes, will be collected the first 2 weeks of November. If you would like to contribute, please your checks payable to Seven Oaks Presbyterian Women (SOPW,) and give them to Polly Robinson, Treasurer.

Please Save the Date of December 20th for our SOPC **Christmas Party** at Chestnut Hill Plantation Clubhouse.

NEXT Sunday is our monthly churchwide **Fellowship Supper** at 6 pm. Menu Hint: Gobble, gobble!

Our annual **Thanksgiving Offering for Thornwell!** will be collected the 3rd and 4th Sundays of November.

**Rachel Circle's Christmas Luncheon** will be Tuesday, December 10th, at Miyo's on Columbiana Drive at 12:30 pm.

**Both adult Sunday School classes will have a joint Christmas Dinner** at the home of Carol Griffith on Friday, December 13th at 6:30 pm.

**Our Fall Festival IS TODAY!!** You won't want to miss the fall fun, fellowship, food, games, and autumn activities! If you are able to help with the activities, please sign up in the Narthex. **Liz & Ryan Harris will have their FOOD TRUCK (yum!) set up and ready to serve at noon if you can't stay for the festival but would like to grab lunch after worship!**

We will have a **FAMILY PRE-CHRISTMAS / ADVENT EVENT on Sunday, November 24th** after worship, starting in the Pavilion. There will be a quick lunch, family activities, and crafts. One of our crafts will be making an Advent Wreath for your homes!

**To reserve your household's handmade, wooden, Advent wreath candleholder frame,** (limited quantity) please sign up in the Narthex or contact the church office. Cost is \$8 for the frame **AND CANDLES**, payable to SOPC, but please don't let \$ stop you.

Our next **Ladies' Luncheon** will be Monday, November 18th at noon at Bonefish Grill on Bower Parkway off of Harbison Blvd. Please notify Margaret Royals if you plan to attend.

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

**Poinsettia orders** are due TODAY. See insert.

If you would like to write an entry, (or several,) for this year's **SOPC Advent Devotional** booklet, based on Pastor Jim's suggestions of *red letter (words of Jesus)* passages from the Gospels, please contact the church office via email or voicemail by tomorrow. We still have a few spots/days to fill. If you would like to volunteer to help compile/edit/add graphics to the devotional booklets, please let Annah know.

If you happen to be going by the store & would like to contribute any **non-perishable, individual size, easy prep. items to the shelves we use for the Blessing Box and to give to those who come to our door,** please bring them by the church office or leave them in the large baskets on either side of the main doors to the sanctuary. There is a list of suggested items available from the church office.