



'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime was written in the Huron language by a missionary and set to a French folk tune, *Une Jeune Pucelle*. It uses images from the native people's culture that portrayed Christ's coming. *All Hail to God's Anointed* is a carol based on Psalm 72.

Worship Assistants

Sunday, December 15th:

Liturgist: Bruce Hurley
 Readers: The Youth of SOPC
 Counters: Ron Kesterson, Kitsie Miller
 Usher: John Carter
 Greeters: Carol Griffith, Brenda Turner
 Acolyte: Ellis Robinson
 Children's Message: Annie Moffatt
 Children's Corner: Marion Watson-Wishart
 Prayer Ad Volunteer: Ed Keelen
 Advent Wreath: Andy & Pat Robosky

Sunday, December 22nd:

Liturgist: Bruce Hurley
 Counters: Banks & Polly Robinson
 Ushers: Robert & Kitsie Miller
 Greeters: Robert & Kitsie Miller
 Acolyte: Abby Dempster
 Children's Message: Sue Kesterson
 Children's Corner: Emalee Dillard
 Prayer Ad Volunteer: Bruce Hurley
 Advent Wreath: The Sellars / Cartee Family

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 am - 2 pm



Sunday, December 15: 3rd Sunday in Advent

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.
 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm - Love Revolution
 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Prime Rib Christmas Fellowship Supper

Monday, December 16:

8:00 am - 4:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm - Session Meeting
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Troop 91 Christmas Party
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA
 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

Tuesday, December 17:

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

Wednesday, December 18:

8:00 am - 4:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
 5:45 pm - 7:45 pm - NAMI
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA

Thursday, December 19:

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Liberty Church

Friday, December 20: OFFICE CLOSED

6:45 am - 7:45 am - Men's Lanterns Prayer Group
 8:00 am - 4:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Winter Bonfire
 6:00 pm - SOPC Christmas Party
 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

Saturday, December 21: First Day of Winter



UPCOMING EVENTS:

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"
February 7: Lifeline Screenings at SOPC

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 - Disciple 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:

Nancy Taber	SOPC's Homebound Members
Myrna Gause	Our Christian Friends in Ukraine
Polly Robinson	Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz, Cuba
Ed Keelen	Daniel and Elizabeth Turk (Missionaries)
Donna Moore	Those Less Fortunate
Aletha Robinson	The Christmas Joy Offering Recipients
Sandra Johnson's Parents	Those reaching out through our Facebook Prayer Ad
John Carter	
Alene Rogers	Long Term Care:
Janet Jordan & Daughter & Sister	Dave, Rich & Sam Allen
Jane Blackwell	Edith Blanchett
Al & Margaret Charles	Kathie Cashion
Fran & Jeffrey Brannon	Barbara Fowler
Ira Leon	Bobby Sellars (Father of John Paul Sellars)
Barry Shatzer	Patricia Williams
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!

Providence Home Christmas Giving: SOPC will provide Christmas gifts for the men of Providence Home again this holiday season. Let's bring a little joy to these men by letting them know we care. Please stop by the Providence Home table in the narthex today to see how you can help. Thank you.

THIS FRIDAY, December 20th is our **SOPC Christmas Party** at Chestnut Hill Plantation Clubhouse at 6 pm. RSVP to Liz Harris by THIS TUESDAY. There will be an optional White Elephant gift exchange with a \$10 limit, (no gift cards.)

Our churchwide **Prime Rib Fellowship Supper is TONIGHT** at 6 pm!

Our Youth Group will join our church family tonight at the Christmas Prime Rib Supper! Yum!

Each week of Advent, our Worship / Music Ministry will share a video story and musical meditation about the history and meaning of a specific Christmas carol. Links to the videos will be sent out via email from the church office.

Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service will be Tuesday, December 24th, with music beginning at 5 pm and the worship service beginning at 5:30 pm. Invite a friend or neighbor!

It's time to nominate a beloved member of **SOPW for this year's Honorary Life Award!** This woman should be a dedicated Christian, a loyal member of SOPC and SOPW, a member of the PC(USA,) and someone who works with the church to make the world a better place. Please send your nominations to Shelagh Wirth: 803-629-7851; swirth1949@gmail.com; 110 Robin Forest Dr., West Columbia, SC 29170.

What makes SOPC special?! If you are willing to share a few sentences about what makes SOPC special to you, personally, for our church website, please contact Mark Dillard. Personal stories make all the difference when inviting new friends to journey with us!

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

If you happen to be going by the store & would like to contribute any **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. Did you know that 10-20 individuals come to our door looking for help each week?

Thank you to all who continue to bring in used crayons for www.thecrayoneinitiative.org! So far, we have collected **100 POUNDS** of used crayons that will be sorted, melted down, and made into new, ergonomic, free crayons for pediatric hospital patients.

