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SOPC Leaflet, March 25, 2026

This Sunday, March 29th, is Palm Sunday AND a Congregational Meeting after worship to elect new elders and a trustee. Please obtain a palm branch from the narthex as you enter for worship. We will waive them during the 1st hymn as we remember Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem—the beginning of Holy Week! Please make plans to stay briefly after worship for the congregational meeting.



- **2: Blythe Tapler & Karl Thompson**
- **3: Edith Blanchett**
- **4: Bruce Hurley & Molly Jackson**
- **11: Polly Robinson**
- **16: Jack Noë**
- **24: Braeden Noë-Mellitz**
- **27: Jim Wilhide**
- **29: Kaiti Fuller**
- **30: Betty Cheung-Shuler**



- **The Session of Trinity Presbyterian Church cordially invites you (SOPC & friends) to worship and partake in the sacrament of Communion with them on Maundy Thursday, April 2, at 5:30 pm. Our very own Bruce Hurley will be leading the service. Attire is casual, and the address is 1000 Greenlawn Dr., Columbia, SC 29209.**



- **Please remember to bring some flowers with you to church on Easter, Sunday, April 5th. They can be from your yard or from the store. We will continue our tradition of Flowering the Resurrection Cross outside the sanctuary beginning at 10:30 that morning. There will be refreshments!**
- **Our SOPW would like to thank all those who made the Trinity Presbytery PW Gathering on 3/21/26 possible. Rev. Brooklynn Smith gave a lovely, relevant message. The Minute for Missions speakers gave great information about Love Revolution and our Clothing Closet, the recipients of the gathering's love offering. The food was outstanding, and a diverse group of women enjoyed Christian fellowship. Praise and thanks be to God!**





- **Special thanks to Patty Mullins for providing the lovely spring floral arrangements in the sanctuary. They offer beauty and a reminder of God's artistry in Creation!**
- **A Note from Dawn Smith Jordan:** "Dear Ladies of SOPC, thank you so much again for welcoming me into your wonderful "Hearts of Love" Women's Luncheon last month. How special it was to be with you sweet ladies, and y'all being only 3 minutes from my house made it all the more wonderful. I have such sweet memories of Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church's Preschool from when my children were there.

It was a humbling privilege and great joy to be with you all. I am absolutely convinced every opportunity is a divine appointment. What a blessing you and everyone in attendance were to me. I pray you know what you are doing is making a huge difference in the lives of those in attendance.

We may not know this side of heaven all that our great God did as a result of your vision, leadership, prayer, and plain hard work. You made everyone feel so special in attendance, me included. Every detail was so lovely and fun! I pray the Lord continues to bless you, strengthen you, and encourage you as you seek to share HIS goodness in your community.

If I can ever be of assistance or serve you again, please feel free to reach out to me. And should an occasion arise in the future for which I could return, I would love to come back and be with you all again. God bless you, my beautiful sisters and friends.

Blessings,

Dawn



- **Jeanne LeBoeuf will have a minor outpatient procedure tomorrow, Thursday, March 26th. Please keep her and her medical team in your prayers.**
- **Our youth are taking orders for casseroles and sweet treats (that they will help prepare) for you to either take home and enjoy or donate to Love Revolution. All proceeds will help defray their cost of attending Montreat and Camp Fellowship this summer. These camps are wonderful opportunities for them to grow in their faith and to strengthen the bonds of fellowship with one another and with other Presbyterian young people. Order forms are available below, attached to this email, in the narthex, and from the church office.**

SOPC YOUTH ORDER FORM



NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

OPTIONS	QUANTITY	SUGGESTED DONATION	TOTAL	FOR LOVE REVOLUTION OR TAKE HOME
CHICKEN CASSEROLE		\$25		
RIGATONI WITH MEAT SAUCE CASSEROLE		\$25		
CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES		\$12 (1 dozen) \$22 (2 dozen)		
OATMEAL RAISIN COOKIES		\$12 (1 dozen) \$22 (2 dozen)		
SWEET BREAD (pumpkin, gingerbread or banana)		\$15 (1 Loaf)		
DONATION ONLY: If you would like to sponsor a student's registration (or a portion of it) by simply donating, please specify the amount.				

SOPC AND WESTMINSTER YOUTH WILL BE PREPARING THESE CASSEROLES AND BAKED GOODS! IF YOU ARE PURCHASING THEM TO BE DONATED TO LOVE REVOLUTION, WE WILL COORDINATE WITH THEM TO FIND OUT WHEN THEY WILL NEED THEM DELIVERED. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HELPING OUR YOUTH EXPERIENCE THE SPIRITUAL GROWTH THAT HAPPENS AT CAMP FELLOWSHIP AND MONTREAT!! PLEASE CONTACT JULIE OR ERNIE BUSSELLS, 803-622-9509 WITH ANY QUESTIONS.



- Our next gathering of the SOPC Book Group will be at Loveland Coffee on the last Thursday in March, 3/26/26, at 3:00 pm. We will discuss *The Radium Girls* by Kate Moore. We'd love to see you just to catch up on what you've been doing! Questions? Call or Text Kitsie Miller. 803-463-6958.



Fellowship Meal

- Our next churchwide Fellowship Luncheon will be Sunday, April 19th, after worship in the Fellowship Hall. The menu is salad, chicken alfredo, broccoli, and dessert. Yum!



- Our next Ladies' Luncheon will be Monday, April 20th at noon at Tupelo Honey, 2138 Pickens St., Columbia. Please let Margaret Royals know if you plan to attend. mroyals052@gmail.com or 803-608-1434



- If anyone in our church family would benefit from wheelchair service from the car into worship, we would be happy to assist you! When you arrive Sunday morning, have whoever is driving you enter the narthex and inform the usher that you are in the parking lot. The usher will then bring a wheelchair out to your car to get you. The usher will also take you out to your car after worship. It is our pleasure to do this!

- We can train folks so that we can show videos with our Minutes for Missions before worship. This training with Karl will take several weeks before the desired event, and needs to be scheduled well in advance. Thanks!
- If you would like to volunteer in the sanctuary's sound booth occasionally, please contact the church office. Training provided!
- We're Collecting: cans' pop tops! So far, we have donated 7 gallon-sized Ziploc bags FULL of pop tops to the Ronald McDonald House in Columbia.
 - Save the Date:
 - March 29: Palm Sunday; Congregational Meeting to elect new elders and a trustee.
 - April 2: Maundy Thursday; 5:30 pm Service at Trinity PC
 - April 3: Good Friday
 - April 5: Easter Sunday
 - April 6: Easter Monday—Office closed.
 - April 19: Churchwide Fellowship Luncheon
 - If you have information to go out to our church family in the Leaflet and/or bulletin, please get it to Annah by the Tuesday before. Thanks!