

The Leaflet
...a weekly newsletter of SOPC
in Columbia, SC.



April 22, 2026



- There will be a Congregational Meeting THIS Sunday, April 26, 2026, immediately following worship for the purpose of voting on Rev. Rodney Norris and his Terms of Call as the new installed Pastor of Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church. Please plan to attend in person if at all possible.
- Today/Tonight, we will be preparing and serving a meal to the Residents and Staff of Providence Home. Contact Robert or Kitsie Miller or Tara Whitfield for more information.
- Our Session and Elders-Elect will have Officer Training tonight, and on Wednesday 4/29. The Rev. Dr. Chris Denny, Senior Pastor at Westminster PC, will lead the classes. They are in the Session Room, starting at 5 pm.
- Friday, one of the worthy causes we support, Family Promise of the Midlands, is having their annual Gala fundraiser. Visit <https://familypromisemidlands.org/events/> for more information.
- May 10: We will collect our annual Mother's Day Offering for the Presbyterian Communities of SC. For more information about where this \$ goes, please contact Marion Wishart or visit this link: <https://www.prescommunities.org/mother-s-day-offering>.
- Also, on May 10th, we will have Cookies and Conversation after worship to treat our Moms to something sweet and to meet-n-greet new faces!
- June 30: We will prepare and serve a meal to Migrant Ministry. This ministry is where our Father's Day offering goes. For more information, contact Jim Taylor or Tish Lowe.
- September 2 or 9: These are the possible dates for our next Red Cross Blood Drive! We are waiting to hear back from them as to which date it will be.



- Fellowship Meal We will have a churchwide Fellowship Luncheon Sunday, May 17, after worship in the Fellowship Hall. The menu is Sesame Ginger Chicken Kabobs, Rice Pilaf, Steamed Broccoli, & Pineapple Upside Down Cake. Yum!
- Our Small Town Adventures group will travel to Moncks Corner / Mepkin Abbey on Thursday, April 30th. Contact Marion Wishart for more information.
- Tuesday at the Movies Small Group has scheduled our next time for Tuesday May 12 at AMC for the 1PM showing of “The Devil Wears Prada #2”. All are welcome. Reserved tickets are \$6. Contact Sue Kesterson, skesterson@sc.rr.com to be included in reservation. It is easy to cancel later if needed.



- From SOPC’s Administration Ministry: As we celebrate God’s faithfulness, it’s time to rejoice in the progress of our Raise the Roofs Campaign! Launched in the spring of 2023, we are approaching its third anniversary on April 30, 2026. Thanks to your generous and faithful giving, we have reached \$128,000 of our \$150,000 goal as of December 31, 2025. With just a little more to go—and a few outstanding pledges—we are very close to fully achieving this milestone! Please take a moment to review your First Quarter Giving Statement, distributed on April 9, to check the status of your pledge. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Sharon Staton. Thank you for your continued faithfulness and commitment to the life of Seven Oaks as we serve God together in our community.



- 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 Confirmation Class will meet this Sunday at 4:30 pm in the Youth Room.**
- **SOPC Youth will meet this Sunday evening at 5:30 pm in the Youth Room.**



- **Our Ladies' Luncheon will be Monday, May 18th, at noon. Location TBA. Please let Margaret Royals know if you plan to attend. mroyals052@gmail.com or 803-608-1434**



- Our next gathering of the S OPC Book Group will be at Loveland Coffee on the last Thursday in April, 4/30/26, at 3:00 pm. We will discuss *An American Marriage* by Tayari Mones. 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.
-  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 or a greeter will then bring a wheelchair out to your car to get you. They will also take you out to your car after worship. It is our pleasure to do this! If you need a ride to church, please contact your shepherd or the church office.
- If you are at the store and are able & feel led to pick up a few items for our Blessing Box / Food Pantry/Clothing Closet, we could use some breakfast bars and/or travel size deodorants.
- 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.
- 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!
- **Save the Date:**
 - April 30: Small town Adventures group to Moncks Corner / Mepkin Abbey.
 - May 7: Mother's Day Tea @ PCSC; National Day of Prayer
 - May 10: Mother's Day; PCSC Offering; Cookies & Conversation
 - May 12: Tuesday at the Movies
 - May 24: Pentecost
 - May 25: Memorial Day
 - June 30: Migrant Ministry Meal
 - July 21: SOPW Salad 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!