

Seneca Presbyterian Church

Biggerstaff Retreat Center

October 10, 2021

**Outdoor
Worship
Service**



SCAN AND GIVE

MORNING OUTDOOR WORSHIP

BIGGERSTAFF RETREAT CENTER

OCTOBER 10, 2021

OPENING SONG

Down to the River to Pray

As I went down in the river to pray Studyin' about that good ole way
And who shall wear the starry crown Good Lord show me the way
Oh sisters (brothers' sinners) let's go down Let's go down come on down
Oh sisters (brothers' sinners) let's go down. Down in the river to pray.

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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Have you not heard God's silent steps?

All: He comes, comes, ever comes.

One: Every moment and every age, every night and every day.

All: He comes, comes, ever comes.

One: Many a song have I sung in many a mood of mind, but all their notes have always proclaimed.

All: He comes, comes, ever comes.

One: In the fragrant days of sunny April thought the frost path,

All: He comes, comes, ever comes.

One: On the rainy gloom of July nights on the thundering chariot of clouds,

All: He comes, comes, ever comes.

One: In sorrow after sorrow, in joy after joy, in whatever time and whatever place.

All: He comes, comes, ever comes.

One: Let us worship God!

*WORSHIP IN SONG

All Things Bright and Beautiful

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, God made their glowing colors;
God made their tiny wings.

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.

The purple-headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky:

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

God of Wonders

Lord of all creation. Of water earth and sky.
The heavens are Your tabernacle. Glory to the Lord on high

God of wonders beyond our galaxy. You are holy holy.
The universe declares Your majesty. You are holy holy.
Lord of heaven and earth. Lord of heaven and earth

Early in the morning. I will celebrate the light.
When I stumble in the darkness. I will call Your name by night

Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth).
Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth).
Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth). You are holy

God of wonders beyond our galaxy. You are holy holy.
Precious Lord reveal Your heart to me. Father hold me hold me.
The universe declares Your majesty. You are holy holy, holy, holy.

Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth)
Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth)

***OPENING PRAYER**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: **Psalm 19 and Luke 10:1-9**

MESSAGE: **"And the Meditations of Our Hearts"**

Dr. Hartman

SONG OF CONTEMPLATION ***The Blessing***

The Lord bless you And keep you Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you The Lord turn his Face toward you And give you peace
Amen Amen Amen Amen Amen Amen

The Lord bless you And keep you Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you The Lord turn his Face toward you And give you peace
Amen Amen Amen Amen Amen Amen

May his favor Be upon you And a thousand generations And your family And your children
And their children And their children

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And their children And their children

May his presence Go before you And behind you And beside you
All around you And within you He is with you He is with you

In the morning In the evening In your coming And your going In your weeping
And rejoicing He is for you He is for you

He is for you He is for you

Amen Amen Amen Amen Amen Amen

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORSHIP THROUGH OFFERING

Presenting Our Gifts

Run to the Father

I've carried a burden for too long on my own. I wasn't created to bear it alone
I hear Your invitation to let it all go. I see it now I'm laying it down
And I know that I need You

I run to the Father. I fall into grace. I'm done with the hiding.
No reason to wait. My heart needs (found) a surgeon
My soul needs (found) a friend. So I'll run to the Father. Again and again

And again and again. Oh oh oh

You saw my condition. Had a plan from the start. Your Son for redemption.
The price for my heart. I don't have a context. For that kind of love.
I don't understand. I can't comprehend. All I know is I need You

Oh oh. Again and again. And again and again. Oh oh oh (Again and again)

My heart has been in Your sights. Long before my first breath.
Running into Your arms. Is running to life from death.
I feel this rush deep in my chest. Your mercy is calling out.
Just as I am You pull me in. And I know I need You now.

*DOXOLOGY Hymn # 606

Praise God, From All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above,
ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*SONG FOR LEAVING

Down By The Riverside

Gonna lay down my sword and shield. Down by the riverside,
Down by the riverside, Down by the riverside;
Gonna lay down my sword and shield,
Down by the riverside, Down by the riverside

I ain't gonna study war no more, I ain't gonna study war no more,
I ain't gonna study war no more, I ain't gonna study war no more,
I ain't gonna study war no more,

Gonna lay down my burden. Down by the riverside,
Down by the riverside, Down by the riverside;
Gonna lay down my burden, Down by the riverside,
Down by the riverside

I ain't gonna study war no more, I ain't gonna study war no more,
I ain't gonna study war no more, I ain't gonna study war no more,
I ain't gonna study war no more.

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

* Let those who are able stand

Prayer Requests

We extend our sympathy and love to Pat Williams, in the death of Knox Williams. Knox passed away on Sunday, October 3rd. Plans for a service are yet to be determined. Please keep Pat and her family in your prayers.

We extend our sympathy and love to Janey Turner, in the death of her brother -in-Law Keaton Cleary. Please keep Janey and her family in your prayers.

Church Family: Nancy Allgood, Priscilla Byars, Danny Day, Fynn DeHay, Sally Fortune, Karen Gomez, Kaki Harmon, Larry Josey, Judy Kellner, Maria Leitner, Janet May, Pep Seales, Bob Simpson, Knox and Pat Williams and Nancy Wilson.

Extended Church Family: Eileen Andruszka (sister of Ken Andruszka,) Carlos Barbosa (Rosalie Hovencamp's uncle), Debbie Brewer (cousin of Charlotte McDonald), Carol Conger (Helen Kelly's sister), Bill Cullison (brother of Sally Fortune), Pat Durben (friend of Betty Lehner), Henry Gambrell (brother of Carla Honea), Scott Gawlik (son of Betty Gawlik), Evans Harris (husband of Pat Harris), Tess Holtzman (niece of Bonnie and Ken Andruszka), Linda Kelly (cousin of Elaine Williams), McClure Family (friends Alicia Rannou), Jeff Montague (son of Donna and Wayne Montague), ***Ron Bannister (Ellen Hotz's heart mate), *Svyet (Ellen Hotz's friend), Sally Owen (former member), *Donald Smathers (Donna Beebe's dad), Art Reed (dear friend of Betty and Noel Lehner), Gary Whitehead (husband of Judy Whitehead), Bob Willard (Elaine Williams' nephew).**

Note: Please let the church office know of updates to the prayer list.

The 2021 Flower Calendar notebook is in the Knoch Hall Gathering Room. If you would like to provide flowers for the sanctuary during 2021, please sign on the chosen date. Please remember, instead of fresh flowers you may make a donation to your favorite charity.

Music for the church?

The children will have rehearsal Sunday's, 11:15 AM immediately following the worship service and will meet in the Choir Room. All children aged 5 through 12 are invited to come. AND any young person aged 13 and older is also invited to come to talk with our Music Director, Rosalie Hovencamp, about singing with the adult choir.



To those newly worshipping with us we warmly welcome you to our congregation. You are invited to join us for any and all of the activities and opportunities we provide. Please let us know if we can serve you in any way. We also extend an invitation to unite with this church. Periodically we offer a series of Inquirer's Classes that explore the meaning of church membership in our Presbyterian tradition. Those interested in membership are encouraged to participate in these classes. If you are interested in conversation about membership, do not hesitate to call the church office at 882-2505 at any time.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (10/10/21-10/16/21)

Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Outdoor Worship Service
Monday	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Handbell Practice Band/Choir Mission/Outreach Comm.
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Parish Nurse
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Days for Girls
Thursday	12:00 Noon	BB&B
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Let's Take a Walk

In Lieu of flowers in the sanctuary, a donation is being made by **Dian Yanessa** honoring the anniversary of Richard and Dian Yanessa.

Worship Attendance 10/3/2021 10:00 am 109

SPC will be collecting new and clean, gently used winter coats for girls and boys, women and men. We will continue the collection through the month of November. Thank you, Mission Community Care.

The next **Men's Group will be October 28th**. Look for more details later. Hope to see all of you men there, October 28th at 9:00 a.m. in Pastors Hall for breakfast.

2021 DSS Christmas Program

Everyone, this is our thirty—first (31st) year participating in the Oconee DSS (Dept. of Social Services) Christmas Program. 2020 was a very different year because of COVID and this one seems to be headed in a direction that may also be very strange. Many families may still be in an uncomfortable financial situation. Because our church family has been blessed in so many ways and have supported this program so faithfully for a long time, I am sure that we will be able to make 2021 Christmas special even though it may be different. Last year we sponsored 41 children plus there was an additional \$1705.00 donated by members to assist DSS to fill in as needed. Plus, one of our church elves donated 5 bicycles to sweeten the pot. We will provide a PROFILE of a youngster which gives information about their needs and wants. Sizes for clothing will also be provided. A cover letter will be attached with further details. These profiles will be available the third week of October. All you need to do is to call me at 864-247-0381 or email me at jerryecrabtree@bellsouth.net and you will be provided with information you need to give your Christmas a wonderful jump start. If you are a new member, give me a call and let me explain how this very worthwhile program really works.

We need to schedule **ushers** for the next several months and we could use more volunteers to join us. This is a great way to meet the congregation and become more acquainted with your church family. Please look at your calendars and see what Sundays you would be available to assist us and then please call me call or send an email. Thank you for all your support. Blessings, Peggy Fouts

FIFTH SUNDAY PEANUT BUTTER – Every fifth Sunday this congregation presents an offering of peanut butter that will be given to the Golden Corner Food Pantry. Peanut butter is wonderfully nutritious but also too expensive to purchase in bulk, so your contributions are greatly appreciated. Don't forget your peanut butter on Sunday, September 30th.

Plant Swap Join our church family in a "plant swap" on Saturday, October 23rd at the gazebo! Already have offers of Lenten Rose, Hydrangea, Variegated Liriope, Angel Wing Begonia, Creeping Jenny.....to mention only a few! The swap will be from 10:00 am-2:00 pm at the gazebo. Donated plants should be brought to the gazebo Friday from 10:00 am—12:00 noon in containers or Styrofoam cups you don't want returned. A small label naming the plant will be appreciated. A VOLUNTARY DONATION box will be provided on Saturday with all proceeds shared equally among Days for Girls, Oconee United Ministries and Ripple of One...all of which Seneca Presbyterian Church supports! Come.... Shop.... Talk plants....share ideas.... Have fun!!!

5th ANNUAL OUR BROTHER'S KEEPER CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 5th annual Our Brother's Keeper golf tournament was a HUGE success! Thank you to everyone who played, donated financially, and donated time for this event. All the expenses have not been paid, but estimating those, the tournament will net nearly \$17,000! But that does not include the benefits received from all that laughter and great fellowship we are building on year after year! Thank you to all!

LET'S WALK! Come rain or shine! Parish Nurse, Ernie Lombard, and the Deacons' Health & Wellness Committee are inviting all to enjoy the South Carolina Botanical Gardens! The weather is cooling a bit so please join us! On Saturday, October 16th, we'll meet at the Caboose at 10:00 AM for an informal walk about the Gardens. Wear comfy shoes and walk as long (or short) a distance as you'd like. Any members or friends who are especially knowledgeable of our local flora and fauna are encouraged to share their expertise! Let's get together outside, social distance as is comfortable and enjoy both the gardens and each other's company! Hope to see you at the Gardens! Deacons' Health and Wellness.

Coffee with Ernie Tuesday, October 19th, at 9:30 a.m. Health and Wellness invites you to join us for a cup of coffee and an opportunity to meet and chat with our wonderful Parish Nurse, Ernie Lombard. Open topics will be on public and current health and wellness issues. This is a perfect time to ask Ernie's advice. Come and enjoy this wonderful SPC program! All are welcome!