Staff

Rev. Dr. Anita Herbert—Senior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Ralph Herbert—Discipleship Pastor
Jennifer Grainger—Director of Spiritual
Growth & Outreach

Rebecca Mills—Director of Children's Ministry & Mother's Morning Out

William Bennett—Director of Music

Jim Moore—Organist

Joe Swisher and Julia Miller—Co-Directors of

Contemporary Worship

Cecelia Bond—Finance Manager

Julie McCormick—Administrative Office & Communications Coordinator

Shirley Gay—Sexton **Bob Hirsch**—Sexton

Session

Fellowship: Sheri Page (Co-Chair), Zachary

Storti (Co-Chair)

Nurture: Colin Martin (Chair), Charlie Harris

Service: Kristi Selander (Chair), Kelli Kemmerer **Spiritual Growth:** Anna Winstead (Chair), Ana Hill

Property: Lauch Blue (Chair)

Finance: Henk van der Meyden (Chair), Jeff Bowers

Personnel: Henk van der Meyden (Chair)

Worship: Walt Morgan (Co-Chair), Alicia Macomber (Co-Chair)

Clerk of Session: Oden Semones

Deacons

Class of 2024 - Lisa Blue, Claude Burns, Sandy Hess, Merrilyn Long, Kathy Lorenz

Class of 2025 - Shawn Blunt, Elizabeth Brown, Ingrid Don and Patricia Tolbert

Class of 2026 - Betty Cowen, Phil Dunham, Perry Harris, ML Hyatt and Marilynn Shaughnessy

Sunday

Nursery is available 8:30 am-12:15 pm in Room 203

8:45 am—Traditional Service (sanctuary)

9:45 am—Coffee Fellowship (Lanneau)

10:00 am—Sunday School (Education Wing)

Children K-5th (Room 104) Middle School (Room 301) Under the Hill (Room 106) Genesis (Room 101) Seekers (Room 201)

10:00 am—Contemporary Service (gym)

11:00 am—Traditional Service (sanctuary)





"Be Loving"

19th Sunday after Pentecost September 29, 2024

ORDER OF WORSHIP

We Gather to Worship God ...

Gathering Music

*Welcome and Call to Worship:

Praise Team

Come, let us worship and bow down in awe of God's steadfast love for us.

For God gives ear to our words; God listens to the sound of our cries.

Come, let us take refuge in the God of our salvation.

For God is our shield, our protection in times of trouble.

Come, let us rejoice and sing for joy!

For God is surely in this place!

Let us worship God!

*Song: "At The Cross (Love Ran Red)"

*Song: "Be Thou My Vision"

*Greeting

Please introduce yourself during the greeting.

Announcements Julie McCormick

Minute for Mission Charlie Harris, Stephen Ministry

We Listen to the Word of God ...

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 5:43-48 Rev. Achim Daffin

Sermon: "Be Loving" Rev. Achim Daffin

We Offer our Prayers to God ...

*Song: "A Mighty Fortress"

Prayer Requests Rev. Achim Daffin

Prayers of the People and the Lord's PrayerRev. Achim Daffin

We Depart to Serve God ...

*Song: "One Thing Remains"

Please bring forward your tithes, offerings and Connection Cards at this time

*Benediction Rev. Achim Daffin

*Departing Music

We Respond to the Call of God ...

What is one takeaway for you from the service or sermon?

Welcome to SPC!

We welcome you to worship this morning! Please fill out your Connection Card and place it in the offering plate during the closing song. There are Family tables at the back of the gym with activity boxes. Nursery is available during the service in Room 204. We invite you to the Welcome Center to learn more about SPC. Most Sundays coffee is available in front of the kitchen.

Offerings can also be made through the Giving tab at summervillepres.org, scanning the QR code to the right or through the Abundant Giving app from Google Play or the Apple Store. Set up your account and choose Summerville Presbyterian Church.



Sermon Series: "The Way to 'Bee': A series on values" Today we continue in the series with Be Loving. Many thanks to Maggie Hoybach for her bumblebee bulletin cover artwork.

Worship Leaders:

Rev. Achim Daffin—"As a retired pastor (serving as Chaplain of the Village at Summerville - Presbyterian Communities of South Carolina), the joy for me has been getting to lead and worship in a number of the congregations of Charleston Atlantic Presbytery. When I am asked to supply the pulpit here or when I get to sit in the pew with Jane (this is her home church), it is like coming home. May God's word speak to us today. Amen."

Julia Miller and Joe Swisher, Co-Directors of Contemporary Music
Samantha Bock, vocalist, Daniel Selander, drums, Robert Pratt, guitar, Vito Compitello,
electric guitar, Nick Couch (keep in prayer)
Joseph Friday, Jason Lybrand and Zachary Storti, Audio-Visual
Alicia Macomber, Elder-in-Charge
Mary Anne Crosby and Vera Devito, Ushers

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