

SENDING

*Closing Hymn: #775 - "I Want Jesus To Walk With Me" WALK WITH ME

*Benediction Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

*Benediction Response: 11:00 am—"Go Now in Peace" Don Besig

Postlude: "Postlude on MELITA (The Navy Hymn)" John B. Dykes
Jim Moore, Organist

*This selection was chosen in honor of President Jimmy Carter,
a US Navy veteran.*

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert

Jennifer Grainger—Director of Spiritual Growth and Outreach

William Bennett—Director of Music

Jim Moore—Organist

Sharon Napoleone—soloist

Chancel Choir

Liturgists: 8:45 am—Jennifer Grainger 11:00 am—Dave Rademaker

Elder-In-Charge: 8:45 am—Oden Semones 11:00 am—Sheri Page

Ushers: 8:45 am—Pat Tolbert, Julie McCormick, Charlie & Sue Harris

11:00 am—Lionel Lawson, Merrillyn Long, Skip & Rosanne Fetters

Flowers—The flowers are given to the Glory of God by Summerville Presbyterian Church.

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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)

K-4th—Room 104

Tweens (5th-8th) - Room 303

"Under the Hill" - Room 106

Genesis—Room 101

Seekers—Room 201

10:00 am—Contemporary Service (gym)

11:00 am—Traditional Service (sanctuary)

WELCOME

We welcome you to worship this morning! Please fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate during the offering. A map of our campus is available in the pew racks. If you are a guest with us, we invite you to Lanneau Hall following the service to visit the Welcome Center. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

Children and Nursery—Nursery is available in Room 203. We offer two nurseries, one for ages 0-2 years and the other for ages 3-4 year-olds. We kindly ask that children 5 and above not be dropped off in the nursery. Please ask an usher for a pew pal to help occupy your child during the worship service. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Grainger jenniferg.spc@gmail.com or Rebecca Mills rebeccam.spc@gmail.com.

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 & MMO

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, Merrillyn Long, Kathy Lorenz

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

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



SUMMERVILLE Presbyterian Church

Share Christ, Serve Others, Grow Together in Faith



Artwork by Margaret Hoybach

"Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'"

Luke 3:21-22

**BAPTISM OF THE LORD
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE**
Sunday, January 12, 2025

GATHERING

Please prepare your hearts for worship during the prelude.

Prelude: “Prelude on FOUNDATION” *Early American Melody*
Jim Moore, organist

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Minute for Mission William Bennett

*Call to Worship:

Holy God, author of community, come baptize us.

Remind us what it means to belong to one another.

God who tears open the heavens, come baptize us.

Reveal to us Your power that ushers in Your kingdom.

God who calls us beloved, come baptize us.

Declare to us Your great delight and hold us in Your pleasure.

Together, let us remember this day.

In the Creator’s love we are held,

into Christ’s body we are baptized,

and by the Spirit’s power, we are claimed.

***Opening Hymn:** #611 - “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” HYMN TO JOY

*Confession and Pardon

Ever ready with cleansing love,

God invites our confession, offering mercy and strength

so that we may start anew.

In the waters of baptism, O God,

You have cleansed us and claimed us.

Forgive us for refusing Your grace and rejecting Your name.

We have followed our own paths,

and they have led us far from You.

Help us to live into our baptisms,

to trust that all we need is in You,

for You have marked us as Your own,

loving us without limit.

Wash us with Your love again,

that with clean hearts we may go in the way of Jesus. Amen.

(Time for silent confession)

Song of Assurance: “Lord Have Mercy”

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The love of God flows ceaselessly.

The mercy of God never ends.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***Song of Praise:** “Glory Be to the Father”

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen.

*Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell;

the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

the holy catholic Church;

the communion of saints;

the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body;

and the life everlasting.

Amen.

*Passing the Peace

Please introduce yourself as you pass the peace of Christ.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Church Family Moment

Jennifer Grainger

Prayer of Illumination:

Saving God, source of our calling,

Your Word is full of power and glory.

Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us so that

we may receive Your grace and live as Your beloved children;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

15 As the people were filled with expectation and all were questioning

in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah,

16 John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water, but

one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie

the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and

fire. 17 His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and

to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with

unquenchable fire.”

21 Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had

been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, 22 and the

Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice

came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well

pleased.”

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Musical Offering: “Be Not Afraid”

Craig Courtney

8:45 am—William Bennett and Sharon Napoleone

11:00 am—Chancel Choir

Soloists: William Bennett and Sharon Napoleone

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below,

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

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Second Scripture Reading: Acts 8:14-17

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14 Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had

accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. 15 The

two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the

Holy Spirit 16 (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them;

they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). 17 Then

Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy

Spirit.

Sermon: “Claimed, Loved, Empowered”

Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Reaffirmation of Baptism

Beloved people of God,

our baptism is the sign and seal

of our cleansing from sin,

and of our being grafted into Christ.

Through the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Christ,

the power of sin was broken

and God’s kingdom entered our world.

Through our baptism we were made citizens of God’s kingdom,

and freed from the bondage of sin.

Let us celebrate that freedom and redemption

through the renewal of the promises made at our baptism.

I ask you, therefore,

once again to reject sin and

to profess your faith in Christ Jesus.

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God,

do you turn from the ways of sin

and renounce evil and its power in the world? **I do.**

Who is your Lord and Savior? **Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.**

Will you be Christ’s faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing

his love? **I will, with God’s help.**

Anointing

The congregation is invited to come forward to be anointed with

water and to receive a shell, the symbol of baptism.

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