

the day of which the Lord said to you, ‘I will give your enemy into your hand, and you shall do to him as it seems good to you.’ ” Then David went and stealthily cut off a corner of Saul’s cloak. 5 Afterward David was stricken to the heart because he had cut off a corner of Saul’s cloak. 6 He said to his men, “The Lord forbid that I should do this thing to my lord, the Lord’s anointed, to raise my hand against him, for he is the Lord’s anointed.” 7 So David rebuked his men severely and did not permit them to attack Saul. Then Saul got up and left the cave and went on his way.

8 Afterward David also rose up and went out of the cave and called after Saul, “My lord the king!” When Saul looked behind him, David bowed with his face to the ground and did obeisance. 9 David said to Saul, “Why do you listen to the words of those who say, ‘David seeks to do you harm’? 10 This very day your eyes have seen how the Lord gave you into my hand in the cave, and some urged me to kill you, but I spared you. I said, ‘I will not raise my hand against my lord, for he is the Lord’s anointed.’ 11 See, my father, see the corner of your cloak in my hand, for by the fact that I cut off the corner of your cloak and did not kill you, you may know for certain that there is no wrong or treason in my hands. I have not sinned against you, though you are hunting me to take my life. 12 May the Lord judge between me and you! May the Lord avenge me on you, but my hand shall not be against you.

Sermon: “David and Saul: Enemies” Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

SENDING

***Closing Hymn:** #444 - “Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive” DETROIT

***Benediction** Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Postlude: “Rejoice, the Lord is King!” DARWALL’S 148TH
Jim Moore, Organist

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

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William Bennett—Director of Music
Jim Moore—Organist
Liturgists: **8:45 am—Ashley Heslop 11:00 am—Ed Lindsay**
Elder-in-Charge: **8:45 am—Oden Semones 11:00 am—Doug Hess**
Ushers: **8:45 am—Pat Tolbert, Julie McCormick, Charlie & Sue Harris**
11:00 am—Jay Johnson, Shawn Blunt, Colin Martin, Debbie Lindsay

Flowers—The flowers are given to the glory of God by Candy Johnson and Kelly Murphy in honor of Candy’s mother, Carol on her 80th birthday.

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Sermon Series: The summer sermon series is entitled “3 Kings.” We will look at the beginnings of Israel’s monarchy as we examine events from the reigns of Saul, David, and Solomon. Each Sunday, there is an accompanying New Testament text that highlights a theme in each story. Read along to get the full story, which is found in 1 Samuel 9-31, 2 Samuel, and 1 Kings 1-11. We’ll be looking at both familiar and lesser known stories and will see how God continues to work despite the flaws of his anointed. Watch for the times the Holy Spirit shows up, as well as the importance of prayer and obedience in each man’s reign.



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

Special **Congregational Meeting, Sunday, July 26, noon** -
A special congregational meeting is being called for the purpose of electing one Elder to fill a vacancy in the Class of 2027.
The nominating committee will be placing Colin Martin in nomination for that position.

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 205. 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 Kelly Murphy at summervillepresnursery@gmail.com

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*“But I say to you: Love your enemies
and pray for those who persecute you,”
Matthew 5:44*

8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE
Sunday, July 19, 2026

GATHERING

Please prepare your hearts for worship during the prelude.
“Be still, and know that I am God.” Psalm 46:10

Prelude: “Rejoice, the Lord is King” DARWALL’S 148TH
Jim Moore, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Minute for Mission: Colin Martin, Meals on Wheels

*Call to Worship:
O Lord, how many are my foes!
Many are rising against me;
many are saying to me,
“There is no help for you in God.”
But You, O Lord, are a shield around me,
my glory, and the one who lifts up my head.
I cry aloud to the Lord,
and he answers me from His holy hill.
Deliverance belongs to the Lord;
may Your blessing be on Your people!

*Opening Hymn: #442 - “Just as I Am, without One Plea” WOODWORTH

*Confession and Pardon
We recognize that we have not always lived up to the example
set by Jesus Christ. Therefore, we ask God that in his mercy, He
will hear our prayer.

We confess how difficult it is to truly love
the people around us.
Forgive us.
Teach us how to whole-heartedly love one another.
We confess that we find it very difficult to love our enemies:
to pray for their well-being, to act in their best interests,
to leave thoughts of vengeance behind.
Forgive us.
Teach us to love even those who hurt or offend us.
You call us to turn away from the behaviors and attitudes
of the world around us;
and to be renewed and transformed
by Your grace at work in our lives.
Through Your Holy Spirit,
continue the work that You have begun in us,
so that our words and deeds may bring honor and glory to You.
In Jesus’ name we pray,
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.

Romans 5:10 says, “For if while we were enemies, we were
reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely,
having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life.” 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.

*Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ 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
8:45 am—Tony Young
11:00 am—Baptism of Nathaniel Guenther McCallum

Questions for the congregation (asked by Elder Doug Hess)
Do we, the members of Summerville Presbyterian Church, promise to
support and encourage Nathaniel Guenther in his faith in Jesus Christ?
Do we? We do.

Will we promise to do all that we can to surround Nathaniel Guenther with
love, to pray with and for him and to set an example that inspires him to
grow in this congregation, knowing that he is a disciple of Jesus, loving and
serving Him who alone is worthy of his devotion? Will we? We will.

Presentation to the Congregation
(Congregation sings while child is presented to the congregation)

Jesus Loves Me! This I know. For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Prayer of Illumination:
Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit, illumine the sacred page, we
pray, that our minds may be open to receive Your Word,
our hearts taught to love it, and our wills strengthened to obey it;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:43-48
43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor
and hate your enemy.’ 44 But I say to you: Love your enemies and
pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be children of
your Father in heaven, for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on
the good and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous.
46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do
not even the tax collectors do the same? 47 And if you greet only
your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do
not even the gentiles do the same? 48 Be perfect, therefore, as your
heavenly Father is perfect.

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: “My Song is Love Unknown” LOVE UNKNOWN
William Bennett, Solo

*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 Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

*Reflection Hymn: #435 - “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”
IN BABILONE

Second Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 24:1-12 Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert
When Saul returned from following the Philistines, he was told,
“David is in the wilderness of En-gedi.” 2 Then Saul took three
thousand chosen men out of all Israel and went to look for David and
his men in the direction of the Rocks of the Wild Goats. 3 He came to
the sheepfolds beside the road, where there was a cave, and Saul
went in to relieve himself. Now David and his men were sitting in the
innermost parts of the cave. 4 The men of David said to him, “Here is