

Seneca Presbyterian Church

"Grounded in Faith ~ Growing to Serve"

October 25, 2026



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ANNIVERSARY

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CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION

October 25, 2026 | 10:00 a.m. Worship

Happy Anniversary SPC!

GATHERING

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Russ Weekley

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

Faith Formation

Ashley Carlson

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

Hymn 408

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.

There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have
been revived when we shall leave this place.

PRELUDE

Rondeau from Sinfonies de Fanfares

(Mouret)

GATHERING PRAYER

Give me, O my Lord, that purity of conscience which alone can receive your inspirations. My ears are dull, so that I cannot hear your voice. My eyes are dim, so that I cannot see the signs of your presence. You alone can quicken my hearing and purge my sight, and cleanse and renew my heart. Teach me to sit at your feet and to hear your word. Amen.

POURING OF THE WATER

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Hymn 486

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign,
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: O praise the Lord with me,

People: let us exalt God's name together.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

The Church's One Foundation (vs 1, 2, 4, 5)

Hymn 321

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

(silent prayers of confession)

CONFESSION RESPONSE

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Hymn 286

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God

Hymn 583

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 51:1-9

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ANTHEM

Create In Me a Clean Heart (Psalm 51)

SPC Choir

SECOND LESSON

2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9

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TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON

Actions Have Consequences

Rev. Dr. Russ Weekley

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Apostles' Creed*)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence 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 life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

Special Offering Music

Help Me Praise God's Goodness

(Hanff)

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymn 609

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God in Jesus fully known; Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

SENDING

*HYMN OF COMMISSIONING

Just As I Am, without One Plea

Hymn 442

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

- SPC Choir

RETURNING INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

*Those who are able, please stand

Flowers are given today by Sandy Bomely in memory of Bill Bomely.

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Dr. Russ Weekley

Michaela McIntosh, Liturgist

Shawn Thomas, Director of Music, Arts & Communications

Steve Cooper, Organist, and Accompanist

USHERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Dennis Beebe, Donna Beebe, Gary Beerman

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Hannah Weekley and Diana Owens

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CONCERNS

Church Family: Dan Gryder, Brenda DeHay, Maria Leitner, Elaine Williams, Tracy Andrews, Jean Reinking, Michaela McIntosh, Kathy Gerner, Bob Caswell, and Faith Beerman.

Extended Church Family: Kari Gras (Donna and Trey Absher's daughter), the family of Doug Cooper (Steve Cooper's brother), Dwayne Tharpe (relative of Nancy Ramsey), Kristen Baltizar Ford (friend of Bob and Donna Peterman, Cooper Hanna (grandson of MaryJo and Bob McAnally), Bob Malle (Diane DeMont-Malle's husband), Elsa Beerman (Gary Beerman's mother), the Lessman Family (cousins of Pamela Davison-Smith), and Diane Williams' Grandson (Wyatt).

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Rev. Mark Adams & Miriam Maldonado Escobar, missionaries in Agua Prieta, Mexico, who work at "Frontera de Cristo" providing our Just Coffee and supported by SPC.

Guest WIFI for the church: SP GUEST Password: SPC#115p

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**October 25 – November 1**

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>9:00 am</i>	<i>Adult Bible Study in Pastors Hall / Preschool in Educ Bldg</i>
	<i>9:35 am</i>	<i>Praise and Worship in Pastors Hall in the Fellowship Bldg</i>
	<i>9:45 am</i>	<i>Nursery in the Education Bldg.</i>
	<i>10:00 am</i>	<i>Worship Service in Sanctuary</i>
	<i>11:05 am</i>	<i>Youth Faith Formation</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>10:00 am</i>	<i>Staff Meeting</i>
	<i>3:00 pm</i>	<i>Oconee United Ministries Board Meeting</i>
	<i>5:00 pm</i>	<i>Session Meeting</i>
	<i>5:30 pm</i>	<i>Handbells Choir rehearsal</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>9:00 am – 12:00 pm</i>	<i>Parish Nurse in office</i>
	<i>11:30 am</i>	<i>Pastoral Cares meeting</i>
	<i>1:00 pm – 5:00 pm</i>	<i>Parish Nurse (by appointment)</i>
	<i>1:00 pm</i>	<i>Ducks in a Row (Classroom 1)</i>
	<i>4:00 pm</i>	<i>Men and Friends Group at Keowee Brewing</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>10:00 am</i>	<i>Navigating Grief</i>
	<i>5:30 pm</i>	<i>Choir /Band Practice</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>9:00 am- Noon</i>	<i>Parish Nurse in Office</i>
	<i>11:00 am</i>	<i>Walk Thru for health fair (Ernie- Pastors hall)</i>
	<i>11:30 am</i>	<i>Brown Bag & Bible Study in Classroom 1</i>
	<i>1:00 pm-5:00pm</i>	<i>Parish Nurse (by appointment)</i>
	<i>4:00 pm</i>	<i>Memorial Garden meeting</i>
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	<i>11:05am</i>	<i>Tech Team Training</i>

Sunday Morning Access Schedule

<i>8:45 am</i>	<i>Fellowship Hall Building Doors Open</i>
<i>9:00 am</i>	<i>Gathering Place/Knohl Hall Doors Open</i>
<i>9:40 am</i>	<i>Handicap and Front Sanctuary Doors Open</i>
<i>10:00 am</i>	<i>Fellowship Hall Building Secured</i>
<i>10:15 am</i>	<i>Gathering Place/Knohl Hall and Sanctuary Doors Secured</i>

If you have general information that needs to reach the office or staff, please send it to hello@sprez.org. To contact individual staff members visit our website or our church directory.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For all upcoming events, unless otherwise noted, please sign up in the Gathering Place in Knohl Hall or email hello@sprez.org. Thank you!

For updated information on ministry opportunities, be sure and check out the latest edition of our online newsletter, The Presby Press, at **presby.sprez.org**. Also be sure to follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube.

Discover SPC New Member Class

Our next class will be February 7, 14, and 21, 2027. For those interested in learning more about PCUSA and Seneca Presbyterian in particular, please see Carol Hartman, Donna Absher, or Sandy Bomely if you'd like to participate.

Special Guest - Next SPC Women's Group

You're invited to our next Seneca Presbyterian Women's Group Meeting on Tuesday, November 3rd at 11am at Joe's Pizza with our special guest speaker, Kelly Ross, who is the Chief Executive Officer at Collins Family Ministries. One of their outreach programs is The Collins Children's Home which cares for children from birth to 18 when their families are going through a season of difficulty. Carol Hartman will lead the program that day, and you can learn more by contacting either Carol or Jane Day, or by emailing the church office at hello@sprez.org.

New Fall & Winter SPC Swag!

Check out the new items available in our SPC Swag Shop for Fall and Winter! Long-sleeved shirts, hoodies, sweatshirts, and hats - plus all of our T-shirts and polos are still available. <https://swag.sprez.org>.

Time to Get Rid of Old Glasses?

SPC is a collection point for no-longer-used glasses serving to help our local Lions Club. If you have replaced your glasses because of a new prescription, got a new style, or had recent cataract surgery, bring old glasses that are taking up space in your drawers to the church library. There you will find a box on the far wall for your donation deposit.

Thank you from Rev. Richard & Susan Caldwell

Susan and I wish to thank all of you who expressed appreciation through your cards and comments given at last Sunday's Pastor Appreciation Day. I was touched by your generous and kind words. Susan and I are both extremely blessed and grateful to be at Seneca Presbyterian. Paul's Letter to the Philippians is really a love letter, expressing thanks to them and to God for them and their shared ministry with him. Such are our thoughts and prayers for this congregation.

SPC Treasurer Search

Members of SPC, we are still in search of a new Church Treasurer. The Congregational Nominating Committee is involved in this process. Church Treasurer is a position that is approved by the Session and serves a term of 3 years. The Treasurer is needed to do monthly reconciliations, prepare the financials, help the financial secretary with their duties and assist the Finance Committee with preparation of the annual budget. Training on the systems we have at SPC is available. If you have history performing these types of duties in the workplace, please pray on and consider the position with SPC. Your service would be extremely valuable to the work of our Church.

Online Giving Options

For those who would like to share their tithes/offerings through online digital giving, there are two ways to access the online giving portal:

1. Visit give.sprez.org.
2. Scan this QR code.



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