

# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

*arr. Jones*

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

*from Psalm 119*

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

One: O Lord, with my whole heart I seek you.

All: **We treasure your word in our hearts.**

One: Blessed are you, O Lord.

All: **With our lips we declare all the rules you have spoken.**

One: We will rejoice in the law of the Lord and will not forget his words.

All: **Delighted in his ways, let us worship the Lord.**

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

*O Come and Sing Unto the Lord*

#638, vv. 1,2,5

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Living Christ, with whom we journey to the cross, we confess that we are always looking for an easier way. We long for the fullness of life with you, but we are reluctant to abandon the comforts of the life we know. We are quick to assume we have it all figured out and slow to believe your promises for us. Yet you continue to offer us grace, even when our best efforts fall short. Transform us, renew us, and free us from our attachments to the old life, so that you might bring us into the glory of what will be. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Friends, hear the good news! We worship a God who forgives our iniquities and remembers our sins no more. Let us proclaim this good news together:

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

✠ RESPONSE

*Have Mercy, God, Upon My Life*

#421, v. 5

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Registration Pad found at the end of the row and pass it along.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples. Following this time, children through 1<sup>st</sup> grade are invited to Children's Church.

✠ HYMN OF PREPARATION

*Be Thou My Vision*

#450

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, power, and glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING

1 Samuel 28:3-19

p. 272 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

*Lead Me, Lord*

*S.S. Wesley*

GOSPEL READING

John 11:17-27

p. 105 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Tim Reynolds

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory

*Be Thou My Vision*

*arr. Haan*

✠ Response

*Christ Be Beside Me*

#702, v. 1

✠ Prayer of Dedication

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*from John 11*

**We believe that Jesus Christ is the Resurrection and the Life; that those who believe in him will never die; that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God; and that he is the One who has come into the world to reveal the Father's will and give us everlasting life.**

✠ HYMN OF SENDING

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

#182

✠ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

*arr. Manz*

✠ PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT, AS YOU ARE ABLE

## SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Marty McLean – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

John Lasater – Organist

2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Doug Barbour, Elizabeth Peebles, and Kay & Terry Weaver

Technicians: Matthew Lowe (video); Elizabeth Seastrunk (audio)

## WORSHIP

**UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS:** Our Lenten sermon series is called *Jesus' Most Pointed Questions*. It is an examination of those questions that Jesus asks his followers that take some thought and reflection to answer honestly.

March 17 John 11:17-27 Jesus' Most Pointed Questions: *Do You Believe This?*

March 24 Luke 22:39-46 Jesus' Most Pointed Questions: *Why Are You Sleeping?*

March 28 John 13:1-16 Jesus' Most Pointed Questions: *Do You Realize What I Have Done for You?*

March 31 John 20:1-18 Jesus' Most Pointed Questions: *Why Are You Weeping?*

**THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK** are given to the glory of God in celebration of John Gill's birthday, by his family.

**A GRAVESIDE SERVICE FOR PAT WININGER** will be held tomorrow, Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. at Lynnhurst Cemetery.

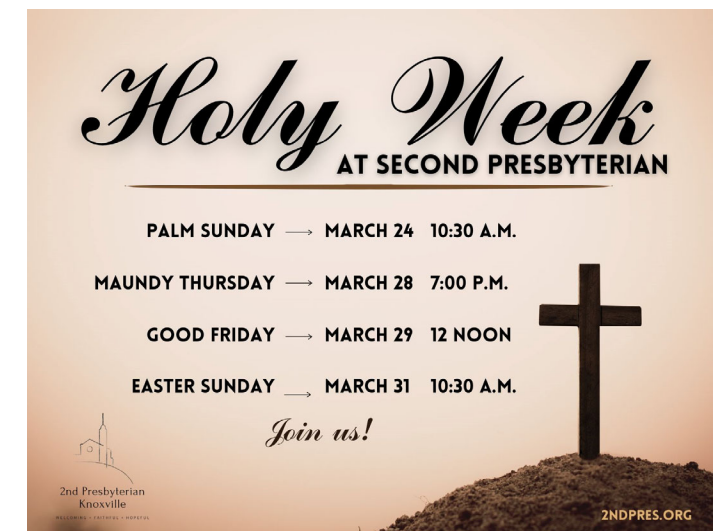
**EASTER FLOWERS** It's time to order Easter flowers, in honor or in memory of loved ones. We will display lilies (\$13) and hydrangeas (\$26) on Easter Sunday. Deadline for inclusion in the Easter insert is noon on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Scan the QR code to fill out our order form, available in the Narthex, Atrium or church office.



**PALM SUNDAY:** Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. Everyone is invited to pick up a palm as they enter the sanctuary to wave during the first hymn. All children and their families are invited to come to the Narthex at the start of worship to receive palms and parade through the sanctuary during the first hymn.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE:** On Maundy Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Holy Thursday with music, readings from scripture, and communion. The service will begin at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

**GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER SERVICE:** We will gather in the chapel at 12 noon on Good Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, for a reflective and contemplative prayer service. All are welcome.



## WELCOME VISITORS!

We are excited to have you with us today and hope you feel at home! We are honored you are here and pray you will feel God's presence in this place. If you do not have a church home, we would love for you to be a part of the 2nd Pres. Please let us know a bit about you by completing a Visitor's Card or by filling out your information in the Friendship Register. Children are welcome in worship. There is a **family worship area** down front. There is also a "crying room" next door in the Library where the service is live streamed. **Children's Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex. Children ages 2 through 1<sup>st</sup> grade are invited to **Children's Church** following the children's time in worship. A **nursery is available** beginning at 9:15 for infants and children through age 2. **Hearing Devices** are available if needed.

## CONNECT

**FELLOWSHIP TIME:** All are invited to stay for coffee, cookies, and a time of fellowship following worship each week.

**REALM CLASSES** have resumed in 2024. Check the calendar for the class schedule (3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weeks of each month). To register, please click on the registration link in the Friday e-News to sign up for the class of your choice or call Bonnie at the church.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN** of Second Presbyterian Church has two exceptional opportunities for women ages 18 years old and older. Both opportunities have short deadlines for application.

1. Presbytery of East Tennessee annual spring gathering in Chattanooga on **Sat., April 20 from 9:00-2. We will carpool to this event.**
2. National churchwide gathering of PW in St. Louis, Missouri, on **Aug. 8-11, 2024.** Delegates (church members only) would receive financial assistance.

Contact Helen Grant or Mary Farmer immediately if you are interested.

## GROW

**THE FAITH SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** meets in the Barbour Room at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. This class studies current events through the lens of faith using a weekly curriculum called *The Wired Word*.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY:** The Wednesday night Bible study is studying the book of Colossians. This will allow us to go deeper into discussion of the texts from the *Christianity Made Simple* sermon series. Those wishing to join via Zoom can do so by clicking the link on the home page of our website. Join us for fellowship and study in the library or on Zoom at 6:30 pm.

**FILLED EASTER EGGS** We are collecting filled Easter eggs in the atrium beginning March 13<sup>th</sup>. Please no peanut butter or nuts. Our Annual Easter Egg hunt will be on Easter Sunday at 9:30 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Holly Grimm at [hgrimm@2ndpres.org](mailto:hgrimm@2ndpres.org)

## GO

**THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING** will be received on Palm Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, and Easter Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. This offering will be divided between disaster assistance, hunger programs, and self-development of people.

## SUPPORT

**WI-FI NETWORK:** Our Wi-fi network is for use by anyone who visits the building. The network is "Second Presbyterian Church", and the password is *Psalm100*.

**GIVE ONLINE:** Visit us at [www.2ndpres.org/give](http://www.2ndpres.org/give), text *2ndPresKnox* to 73256, or scan the QR code.



## THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

### Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
Faith, Science & The Future (Barbour Room)  
Middle & High School (Youth Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

### Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

- 9:30 a.m. CCR&R (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:00 a.m. Staff meeting (Barbour Room)
- 5:30 p.m. Preschool Staff Small Group (Youth Room)
- 6:00 p.m. Preschool Board meeting (Zoom)

### Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>

- 6:00 p.m. Session meeting (Barbour Room)

### Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>

- 9:30 a.m. Realm Class (Small Conference Room)
- 2:00 p.m. Compassionate Cuisine (Atrium)
- 4:00 p.m. Deadline 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition Newsletter
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (Library)

### Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>

- 10:00 a.m. Arts & Crafts (Room 227)
- 12:00 p.m. Realm Class (Small Conference Room)

### Palm Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:20 a.m. Children's Music Time (Chapel)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

## PRAYER CONCERNS

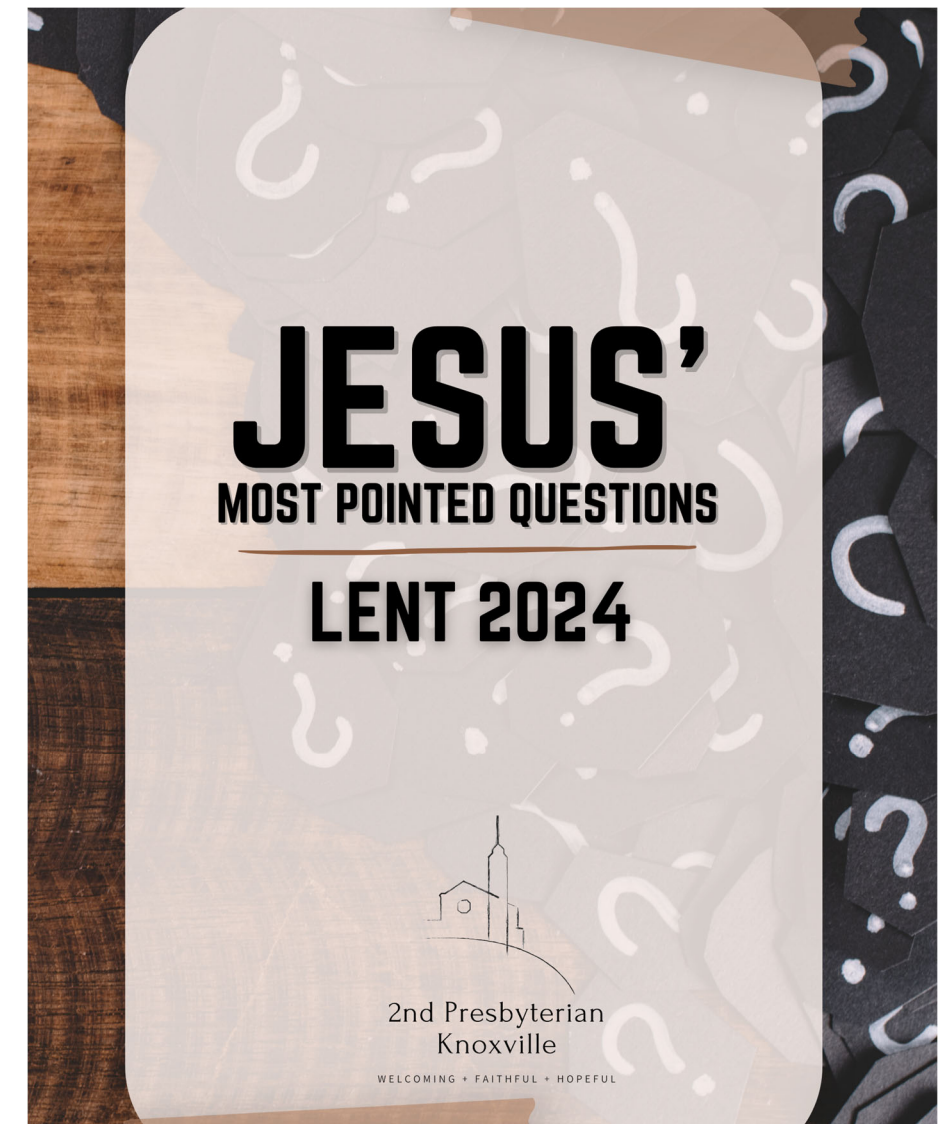
The families of Bonnie Beals and Pat Winger;  
Donna Downen, Doux Robertson, Kim Elrod, Kay Weaver,  
Gerry Turner, Arlys Milligan, and Brice Gilmer

\*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request.  
Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

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we are a welcoming, faithful, and hopeful community,  
following Jesus and serving him in the world.*

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