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Second Presbyterian Guest Wi-Fi Info: Network: 2ndPres-Guest Password: @SecondPres!

Sunday Worship

March 10

Fourth Sunday in Lent
John 3: 14-21
Deacons Meet

March 17

Fifth Sunday in Lent
John 12: 20-33
Moccasin Bend Worship Companions
Session Meets

March 24

Palm/Passion Sunday
Susan Fennema preaching
Lunch (by caterer Alice)
Fellowship Hall
Mission Meets

March 28

Maundy Thursday Service
Northside Presbyterian

March 29

Good Friday Tenebrae Service
12:00pm

March 31

Easter Sunday
He Is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MARCH 10—16

DEACONS MEET

Sunday, After worship

JR. AND SR. HIGH PIZZA PARTY!

Sunday, 12:00pm
Fellowship Hall

CHARLOTT BURGNER SERVICE

Monday, 11:30am

FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE

Marylynn Morrison
Tuesday, 10:00am—2:00pm
Appts: 423.266.2828

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, 2:00pm

TAI CHI

Wednesday, 9:30am

LENTEN LEARNING: SOUP SUPPER

Wednesday, 5:00pm—6:30pm

SECOND HANDS

Thursday, 10:00am

MEDITATION & MINI TENNIS!!

Silent Meditation
Saturday, 9:30am
Mini Tennis
Saturday, 10:00am

LENTEN LEARNING AND SOUP SUPPER

Wednesday evenings, **March 6, 13, 20, 27:**

Dinner: 5pm-5:40pm—Sessions: 5:45pm-6:15pm—Prayer: 6:20pm-6:30pm
Sessions being offered:

Cathy Meyer: *Living Well Until We Die.*

Susan Fennema: *Talking the Walk.*

John Petticord: *Spiritual Reflection Through the Greatest Christian Art.*

Childcare will be provided. Friends and family are welcome!

Youth (Grades 6-12) Pizza Party!

Sunday, March 10,
12:00pm in Fellowship Hall
Enjoy pizza in the fellowship and then
play Family Feud in the Elmore Room!

2nd Outdoors 2024!

Blue Ridge, GA
Mercier Orchards

Please notice the date change!
Friday, September 6th

Blue Ridge is a vibrant town with
an excellent selection of shops,
and outdoor stores. Spectacular
scenery going and coming.

EASTER LILIES

Order forms are around the church. Deadline is March 21st.
\$8.00 each. Designate In Honor of or In Memory of.



SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARCH 10, 2024

11:00AM



Second Presbyterian Church 700 Pine St., Chattanooga, TN 37402
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Pastor: Rev. Cathy Meyer * Office Manager: Susan Vance
Director of Music: Dr. Kevin Ford * Organist/Accompanist: Jonathan Jung
Maintenance Sexton: Andrew Wilson * Sound Tech: Michael Tabb
Security Sexton: Hayden Perry
Seminary Intern: Susan Fennema



MARCH 10, 2024—SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

CENTERING MUSIC *We have sinned because we have spoken against the Lord* Numbers 21: 7

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Cathy Meyer

Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church! We are glad that you are here! If you are a visitor, please fill out the yellow Visitor Card in the pew and place it in an offering plate at the back of the sanctuary. We invite you to listen for the Spirit, in word, in song, in this space. You are safe here, settle in with expectation.

INTROIT *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High*

PRELUDE *Ave Verum Corpus* W.A. Mozart

CALL TO WORSHIP

O give thanks to the Lord, who is good.

God's lovingkindness is everlasting.

We rebelled, we rebelled against the words of God.

We cried out to the Lord in our trouble; we were saved from our distresses.

Let us extol our God in the congregation of the people;

For the Lord blesses us and brings us out of trouble.

HYMN #645 *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

I come broken to be mended, I come wounded to be healed.

I come desperate to be rescued, I come empty to be filled.

I come guilty to be pardoned by the blood of Christ the Lamb,

And I'm welcomed with open arms, praise God, just as I am.

In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.

SILENCE IS KEPT

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND JUST AS I AM WITH CHOIR

Just as I am without one plea

But that Thy blood was shed for me

And that thou bid'st me come to Thee

Oh Lamb of God, I come, I come.

GLORIA PATRI

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pris Shartle

After the time for young disciples, children through Kindergarten may be dismissed for childcare upstairs.

ANTHEM *God So Loved the World*

Stainer

SCRIPTURE Numbers 21:4-9

Pris Shartle

21:4 From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. ⁵The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." ⁶Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. ⁷The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." ⁹So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

SCRIPTURE

John 3:14-21

Rev. Cathy Meyer

3:14 And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

HYMN #459 *O Word of God Incarnate*

SERMON "Dying to Live: Searching the Shadows" Rev. Cathy Meyer

CONFESSION OF FAITH (A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH 1893)

We trust in Jesus Christ,

fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor

and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed

and blessing the children,

healing the sick

and binding up the brokenhearted,

eating with outcasts,

forgiving sinners,

and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified,

suffering the depths of human pain

and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,

vindicating his sinless life,

breaking the power of sin and evil,

delivering us from death to life eternal.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE/ THE LORD'S PRAYER

God of infinite goodness and mercy, we cannot escape your presence. When we are desolate, your Spirit comes to comfort us. Your Chosen One remains our firm hope. Keep us from premature or harmful judgments that only enhance the pain. You have taught us what it means to love one another. Make us mindful of the mutual support we can offer, and make us willing to bear another's burden as though it were our own. Let us shed light on the love You hold out for all of us, and what it means to love the world as you do, for Jesus' sake, as we pray...

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.

HYMN #749 *Come! Live in the Light*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Apparition de l'église éternelle* O. Messiaen

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