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

**Sunday Worship**

**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)  
Mission Meets  
Chattanooga Boys Choir Recital  
3:00pm

**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 17—23*

**MOCCASIN BEND  
WORSHIP COMPANIONS**

Sunday, 9:00am

**SESSION MEETS**

Sunday, After worship

**FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE**

Marylynn Morrison  
Tuesday, 10:00am—2:00pm  
Apts: 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

**EGG HUNT AT RUSHWORTH'S**

Saturday, 11:00am-1:00pm

**LENTEN LEARNING AND SOUP SUPPER**

Wednesday evenings, **March 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!**

**CHATTANOOGA BOYS CHOIR SPRING RECITAL**

CBC will have a very short Spring Recital on **Sunday, March 24th, at 3:00pm** in the sanctuary. It is their beginning choirs and will be about 45 minutes long. Everyone is welcome to attend!

**EASTER LILIES**

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

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING  
BEGINS ON MARCH 24TH**

Lent is the season for One Great Hour of Sharing. Please look for the envelopes in your pew or go online to [presbyterianmission.org/give-oghs](http://presbyterianmission.org/give-oghs), to designate a specific area for your gift. If you write a check, make it out to Second Presbyterian and put *One Great Hour of Sharing* on the memo line.



**Annual Egg Hunt and Lunch**

**Saturday, March 23, 11:00am- 1:00pm**

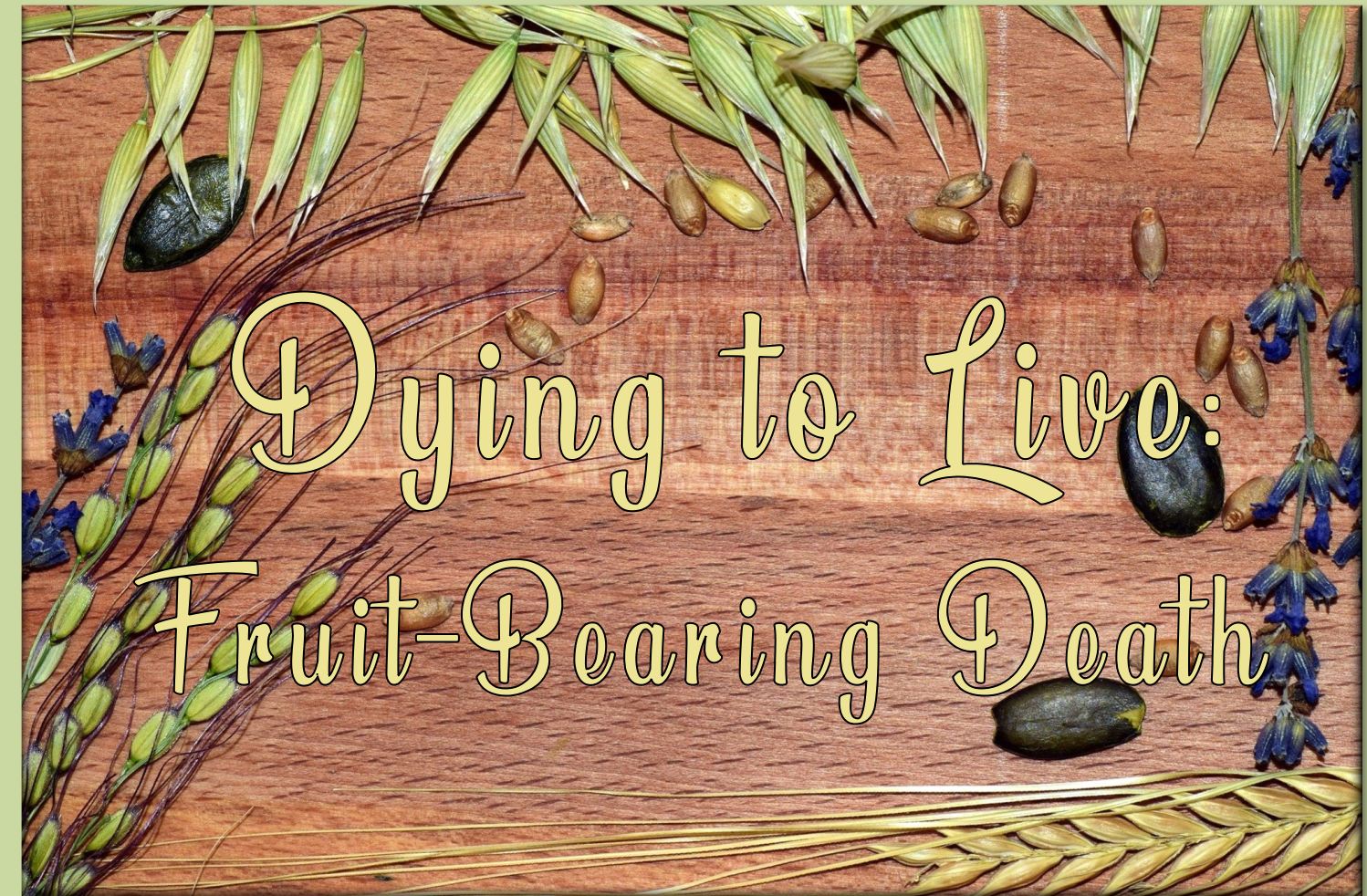
At the Rushworth's, 501 West Oxford.

Families with children and grandchildren up to 4th grade are

invited. Please bring 1 dozen eggs (dyed boiled eggs or plastic eggs with candy inside) and a package of wrapped candy.

Don't miss the fun and fellowship!

*In case of rain we will hunt at the church.*



**SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**MARCH 17, 2024**

**11:00AM**



Second Presbyterian Church 700 Pine St., Chattanooga, TN 37402  
Phone: 423.266.2828 Email: [office@secondpreschatt.org](mailto:office@secondpreschatt.org)

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 17, 2024—SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

*We welcome to our choir loft this morning students from Oglethorpe University, a private college in Brookhaven, GA. Thomas FitzStephens, Director. Thomas Ballew, Pianist.*

*Oglethorpe is a small, private, liberal arts university in Atlanta, Georgia, with a student population of approximately 1,500. It is a supportive community that is as diverse as Atlanta, the living laboratory where we learn by doing. Oglethorpe ranks in the top 13% in the nation for median salaries of graduates. Students have a wide range of majors courses of study from which to choose, including music, starting next academic year.*

**PRESERVICE MUSIC** *Dies Irae* Main  
*Bashana Haba'ah* Leavitt  
Oglethorpe University Singers

**CENTERING MUSIC** *Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation...* Psalm 51:12

**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** *Walk in Jerusalem* Dilworth  
Oglethorpe University Singers

**PRELUDE** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* W.M.Runyan  
Joohae Kim, Piano

**CALL TO WORSHIP**  
O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

**Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean.**

The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart,  
O God, you will not despise.

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

**We are here for you, Lord. Let us worship God!**

**HYMN #187** *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

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

**ANTHEM** *The Eyes Of All Wait Upon Thee* Berger  
Oglethorpe University Singers

**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 51:1-12 Suzanne Rushworth  
*51:1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. <sup>2</sup> Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. <sup>3</sup> For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. <sup>4</sup> Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. <sup>5</sup> Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. <sup>6</sup> You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. <sup>7</sup> Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. <sup>8</sup> Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. <sup>9</sup> Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. <sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. <sup>11</sup> Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. <sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.*

**SCRIPTURE** John 12:20-33 Rev. Cathy Meyer  
*12:20 Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup> They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." <sup>22</sup> Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup> Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup> Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup> Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. <sup>27</sup> "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say--' Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." <sup>29</sup> The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." <sup>30</sup> Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup> Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." <sup>33</sup> He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.*

**HYMN #833** *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

**SERMON** "Dying to Live: Fruit-Bearing Death" 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**

Great God of the universe, open our lips to praise you. You have washed us, You have made us clean, and we thank you for your mercy and your grace. We pray that our worship may be in accordance with the spirit and truth of our new life in Christ. You mend brokenness and bring wholeness in the midst of fractured relations. You have taught us what it means to love one another. Deliver us from all that prevents us from singing your song. Help us to find comfort in Jesus, who endured the cross for us. Give us humble hearts to hear the cries of our neighbors and give us the will to plant seeds of hope and healing. What springs forth from our efforts, you have nourished and allowed to blossom. All praise be unto you for the fruit of salvation, Jesus Christ, who taught us to 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 #712** *As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought*

**CHORAL BENEDICTION** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Lutkin  
Oglethorpe University Singers

**POSTLUDE** *Adagio* W.A. Mozart