

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONCERNS

Cindy Reilly

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial service in celebration of the life and Christian witness of **Ferrel Phillips** will be held on Friday, April 12 at 2:00 p.m. in sanctuary with a reception to follow in Fellowship Hall.

**POP-UP SUNDAY SCHOOL WITH DR. JACQUELINE E. LAPSLEY | TODAY:** Join us today at 9:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall where we will hear from Union Presbyterian Seminary's new president about the state of and future plans for the seminary. Dr. Lapsley will also be delivering the sermon this morning in worship.

**TRENT DINNER AND PROGRAM TUESDAY, APRIL 9:** We look forward to the Trent Dinner and Program this Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall (dinner reservations were required by April 2). This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the 2024 Trent participants and fellowship with members and visitors. This year's guest speaker is the Rev. Dr. Ernie Thompson who will lead a presentation following dinner titled, "The Power of the Bible's Story and How It Can Solve Our Polarization." Ernie will share how his understanding and appreciation for the Bible's larger story has grown throughout his ministry and how the Bible's story can help us transcend the polarization that divides us. If you did not make reservations, you may still enjoy the program. Plan to come around 6:40 p.m. to be seated after the meal.

**ELDER NOMINATION FORMS:** Elder Nomination Forms for the Class of 2027 are available at the front desk with a ballot box for submissions located nearby. Please use the nomination forms and prayerfully consider the commitment, involvement, and talents of individuals you nominate. The last day to return submissions is Monday, May 6.

**THE BIBLE IN BLACK & WHITE | WEDNESDAYS IN APRIL AT NOON:** This April, join facilitators Dr. Bill Lee and Dr. George Anderson for The Bible in Black & White. The focus of our study together will be Walter Brueggemann's *Delivered into Covenant: Pivotal Moments in the Book of Exodus*. This book is the companion of *Delivered Out of Empire*, which we studied in the fall. This popular study provides an opportunity where people of predominately white and black neighborhoods will join together for connection, study and conversation. No registration necessary. If you would like to join the class email list, please contact the church.

**MISSION FAIR SUNDAY IS NEXT WEEK, APRIL 14:** On April 14, the Service and Outreach Committee will host a "Mission Fair" in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30 until 12:30. It is our hope that this Mission Fair will provide space for conversations and moments of learning. Our mission partners will each have a "booth" set up for you to visit and learn about all the ways they are serving our community and all the ways you can join in their work, especially as we prepare for our Great Day of Service that very next weekend (April 20). There will be food to share thanks to Congregational Life, and lots of connections to share as well! We look forward to what this day may provide for us and for our partners.

**BELIEVING & BELONGING | APRIL 14 & 21:** Join Dr. George Anderson and the Rev. Elizabeth Link for a 2-week introductory class on what it means to be a Presbyterian, and what it means to be a member of Second Presbyterian Church. This is a great class for visitors and new members! The spring class will meet on Sundays, April 14 & 21 at 9:45 a.m. in the Hospitality Room. Contact Engagement Coordinator Connie Polly (connie@spres.org) for more details.

**GREAT DAY OF SERVICE | SATURDAY, APRIL 20:** On Saturday, April 20, we will go out into Roanoke to serve with local organizations for our second annual intergenerational mission day! Families, children, and members of all ages are invited to join the youth as we serve God in the city. Our youth council will be team leaders and the youth will be a shining example of love and service. The day will begin with donuts and a devotion at 9:00 a.m. before departing with our work groups at 9:30 a.m. We will serve until 12:00 p.m. and dismiss from the various agencies. Register online today at [www.spres.org](http://www.spres.org)!

**"PARTNERS IN PROSPERITY" HABITAT BUILD | SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER:** Volunteers are needed for builders and lunch in the coming weeks. Second will be on site the 1st/3rd Saturdays and the 2nd/4th Thursdays through May. Sign up and view the full schedule via the SignUpGenius at [www.spres.org](http://www.spres.org).

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Today, April 7

Trent Symposium  
8:45 am: Worship Service with Communion, Sanctuary  
9:45 am: Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
9:45 am: POP-UP Sunday School, Fellowship Hall  
9:45 am: Sunday School  
11:00 am: Worship Service with Communion, Sanctuary/  
Live Stream  
5:00 pm: Kids' Fellowship  
5:00 pm: Youth Group

#### Monday, April 8

Hallelujah Mountain  
Trent Symposium  
4:00 pm: Trent Getaway Meeting, Reading Room  
5:30 pm: Service and Outreach Committee Meeting, Zoom  
and Session Room  
6:30 pm: Al Anon & Alateen, Trent Classroom, Reading  
Room, Library  
6:30 pm: Cub Scouts, Cafe  
6:45 pm: Scouts

#### Tuesday, April 9

Trent Symposium  
9:30 am: Staff Meeting  
5:15 pm: Trent Fund Subcommittee, Zoom  
6:00 pm: Trent Dinner, Fellowship Hall

#### Wednesday, April 10

Trent Symposium  
12:00 pm: Bulletin Article Deadline  
12:00 pm: Second Sheet Article Deadline  
12:00 pm: The Bible in Black & White, Fellowship Hall  
5:00 pm: Green Team, Zoom/Trent Classroom  
5:15 pm: Worship & Music Committee, Zoom and Session  
Room  
6:30 pm: Midweek Manna

#### Thursday, April 11

Habitat Build Day  
7:15 am: Men's Bible Study, Session Room/Zoom  
10:30 am: Women's Bible Study, Session Room  
6:30 pm: Middle School Mini Mann

#### Friday, April 12

12:00 pm: Stewardship Meeting, Zoom and Session Room  
2:00 pm: Memorial Service for Ferrel Phillips, Sanctuary  
with Reception in Fellowship Hall

#### Saturday, April 13

### OPEN FLOWER DATE:

The following date is available for anyone who would like to sponsor flowers in the sanctuary: April 28. Please contact Denise Revercomb to see if the date is still open (588-5111; revercomb@cox.net).



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Beth-El Farmworker  
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*Local:*  
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## Sunday Morning Worship

Early and Late Services

April 7, 2024



### PASTORAL STAFF

*Dr. George C. Anderson, Senior Pastor*

*The Rev. Elizabeth N.H. Link, Executive Pastor*

*The Rev. Benjamin S. Brannan, Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults*

*Large-print copies of services may be requested from an usher.*

### MEMBERS OF THE SESSION OF SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

#### Elders - Class of 2024

Maria Blackshaw  
Pattie Clevenger  
Nancy Gray  
Robin Hobbs  
Alice Holman  
Kenneth Laughon  
Betsy Prillaman  
Chrissy Underwood

#### Elders - Class of 2025

Ginger Avis  
Susan Carter  
John Caudill  
Kandy Elliott  
Lucinda Hancock  
Mark Lawrence  
Megan Moore  
Darin Pearson

#### Elders - Class of 2026

Mary Airheart  
Margaret Ashburn  
Chasity Fitzpatrick  
Barry Green  
Sally I'Anson  
Drew Kepley  
Randy Rhea  
Ken Sizemore



APRIL 7, 2024

WORSHIP AT 8:45 A.M. AND ON SITE & ONLINE AT 11:00 A.M.  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER | TRENT SYMPOSIUM<sup>1</sup>

Gathering Music *That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright* Dale Wood  
(Tune: *Puer Nobis*)

Welcome and Announcements  
Minute for Mission *Rescue Mission* Lee Clark, CEO

Prelude *Improvisation on "Diademata"* Lani Smith

\*Call to Worship  
Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed!**  
Where suffering and injustice meet,  
**The good news of resurrection can be proclaimed!**  
Where hope and love meet,  
**The good news of resurrection can be known!**  
From city streets to our homes,  
from atop mountains to behind locked doors,  
**The good news of resurrection can be found!**  
Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed!**

\*Hymn No. 307 *God of Grace and God of Glory*  
(11:00 A.M.) Children, Worship, & Wonder participants (4k-1st grade)  
*excused during the last verse of the opening hymn*

Call to Confession  
Prayer of Confession  
**Holy God, in these early days after the resurrection, we wonder what it all means. Like the women at the tomb, we sometimes flee in fear. Like the disciples behind closed doors, we sometimes hide in fear. Like the council members of the court, we sometimes hush others in fear. Forgive us. We know the confusion of fear and faith. Renew our hearts once more. I believe; help my unbelief.**

*Growing silent, our personal confession continues.*

Assurance of Pardon

\*Response of Praise No. 246 *Christ Is Alive!* (v. 5)  
Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

\*Affirmation of Faith (adapted from John 3:16-17)  
God loves the world and all that is in it.  
God's love is so great, that God sent Jesus Christ, the Son of God, into the world so that all can have a whole and everlasting life. God did not send the Son to condemn us, but to save us. Those who believe will not die but have eternal life.

Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer *Glory to God*, p. 35 (using debts, debtors)

(11:00 A.M.) Anthem *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* arr. Mack Wilberg  
(Neander/Winkworth, from *Stralsund Gesangbuch*, 1665)  
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!  
Join the great throng, psaltery, organ and song, sounding in glad adoration!  
Praise to the Lord! Over all things he gloriously reigneth.  
Borne as on eagle wings, safely his Saints he sustaineth.  
Hast thou not seen how all thou needest hath been granted in what he ordaineth?  
Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee.  
Surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.  
Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath breath, join with Abraham's seed to adore him!  
Let the "amen" sum all our praises again, now as we worship before him.

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Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading John 20:19-31 New Testament p. 879  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon<sup>2</sup> *It's Not About You, Thomas* Dr. Jacqueline E. Lapsley

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper<sup>\*\*\*</sup>  
\*Hymn of Preparation No. 504 *We Come as Guests Invited* (8:45 v. 1)  
(11:00 vv. 1-3)

Call to Discipleship  
Offering<sup>3\*\*</sup>  
Offertory *Christ The Lord Is Risen Today* Lani Smith  
Ritual of Friendship  
(Please sign the Friendship Pad, pass it along to others  
in your pew, then return it to center.)  
\*Doxology (Hymn No. 606)  
\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn No. 257 *The Risen Christ*

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude *Thine Is the Glory* Handel/Ryan Thomas

\*Please stand in body or spirit.  
\*\*\* All communion elements are gluten free.

BULLETIN NOTES

<sup>1</sup>WELCOME TO THE 2024 TRENT SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPANTS: We are happy to have you visiting our church this spring and hope that your time here will be productive, providing you with unique learning opportunities, helpful information, and skills to help with your ministry building efforts for years to come. Participants are:

- John Daniel DeBevoise, First Presbyterian Church, Spartanburg, SC
- Rachel Fitch, First Presbyterian Church, Greensboro, NC
- Esther Hethcox, First Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC
- Jonathan Moelker, Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church, Roanoke, VA
- Alexandra Pappas, First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport, LA
- Gracie Payne, Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, IN
- Ally Pexa, First Presbyterian Church, Greer, SC
- Natalie Raygor, First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, NC

We also welcome Dr. Ed McLeod, retired Pastor/Head of Staff of First Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, NC to our worship service this morning and thank him for his leadership during the Trent Symposium.

<sup>2</sup>WE ARE GLAD TO WELCOME Dr. Jacqueline E. Lapsley, the new President of Union Presbyterian Seminary, to the pulpit this morning. Dr. Lapsley is the first woman to lead the Seminary in its 212-year history. She was the first woman to serve as Dean and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Princeton Theological Seminary. A noted Old Testament scholar who has authored or co-edited a number of works, including A Women's Bible Commentary, Lapsley earned her Ph.D. from Emory University, an M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary, an M.A. from The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and her A.B. from Smith College.

<sup>3</sup>THE OUTREACH OFFERING for the month of April will support the *Fralin Free Clinic's Medical Street Outreach Program of the Rescue Mission*. The Medical Street Outreach program represents a vital component of its holistic approach to serving the needs of the unsheltered and underserved populations within the Roanoke community. This service brings essential medical care directly to the streets, offering immediate health services to those who might otherwise go without due to barriers such as lack of transportation, mental health struggles, or unawareness of available resources. Staffed by dedicated healthcare professionals and volunteers, the outreach program provides screenings, basic treatment, referrals to specialized care, and health education, all free of charge. Your April outreach offering will go directly toward the \$9,500 cost of restoring and retrofitting a recently purchased RV. The refurbished RV will enable the medical street outreach team to extend their reach, bringing essential medical services directly to those in need.

**Monthly Food Collection for PCC:** The food item for the month of April is **pasta – spaghetti noodles, spaghetti, sauces, mac & cheese**. A donation bin is in the coat closet; please check the expiration date before donating.

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THIS SUNDAY

**Flowers:** The flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of **Jack Airheart** by Sara, Mary, Becky and Mike. Jack would have been 100 years old today. Arranged by Bobbie Black and Karen Davidson.

**Ushers:** (8:45) Kandy Elliott (Head Usher), Susan Leivy, Kipper Nottingham, Randy Rhea. (11:00) Nancy Gray (Head Usher), Mary Ann Johnson, Susan Lancaster, Cindy Smith.

**Technicians:** Miranda Moore, Doug Settles.

**Children, Worship, & Wonder:** "Jesus is Risen: The Road to Emmaus." Story-teller, Carol Money-maker. Program Coordinator, Amanda Copeland.

