

**Second Sunday in Lent**  
**February 25, 2024 - 8:30 & 11:00 AM**

“Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly.”—Mark 8: 31-32a

**Prelude** Largetto Kuhlau

**Introit 417** Lord Jesus Think on Me

**Call to Worship** *(based on Mark 8:31-38) (Responsive)*

Let us not be ashamed of our Savior.

Let us sing and praise our God out loud.

**In the midst of the crowd, we will praise you.**

**In our community, we will bear witness to our faith.**

Let us set our minds on divine things.

**Let us take up our cross and follow Christ.**

**\*Hymn 213** In the Cross of Christ I Glory

**Prayer of Confession** *(unison)*

**Savior God, the public spectacle of the cross calls us to account. We hesitate and hedge when opportunities arise to speak of you. We are shy in faith and not bold to proclaim. Your story saves, yet we keep it to ourselves. Forgive our reticence of faith. Forgive the ways we fail to serve as public witnesses. Help us be your candlelight, held high to set the world aglow. Amen.**

**Silent Meditation and Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Congregational Response 582** Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

**Passing of the Peace**

**Old Testament Lesson** Genesis 17: 1-7; 15-16

**Anthem** O Love Elaine Hagenberg

**A Prayer for Children**

## New Testament Lesson

Mark 8: 31-38

## Sermon

“What Does Your Cross Look Like?” Mark Stanley

## \*Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith - unison)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. 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. Amen

## Announcements and Sharing of Joys and Concerns

### Invitation to Giving & 5 Cents a Meal

### Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

### \*Hymn 450

Be Thou My Vision

### \*Charge and Blessing

### Postlude

I Will Praise Thee, O Lord, My Strength

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*\*Please stand in body or spirit*

**Worship Notes:** Liturgy written by Teri McDowell Ott, Presbyterian Outlook, 2024

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**LITURGIST(S):** Jim Kisner, Betty Lockwood

**PROJECTIONS:** Russ Russell, Bud Weeks

**LIVESTREAM:** Duane Johnson, Jim Kisner,  
Conrad Shannon, Jim Smelker, Paul Soltesz

**FLOWERS:** Given by Emma Persigehl in honor of  
February Birthdays

**LAST SUNDAY ATTENDANCE:** 142

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### WORSHIP TEAM

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Mark Stanley

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Dwight Christenbury

**Minister of Visitation:** Sally Beghtol, C.P.

**Music Director:** Stephen Klein

**Section Leaders:** Katie Cilluffo, Claire Crook,  
Eric McAnallen

**Percussionist:** Don Widmayer

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### TRINITY TEAM

**Maintenance Facilitator:** Jim Kisner

**Treasurers:** Bob Forsythe, Bev Luzadder

**Financial Secretary:** Diane Bowers

**Bookkeeper:** Lynne Meluch

**Tellers:** Sue Robinson, Robin Hodgson,  
Pat Harter, Betty Lockwood

**Nursery Staff:** Mary Haskins, Sierrah Haskins

***This congregation welcomes you without regard to race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, education, economic circumstance, your place of origin or any other issue that divides God's family. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors wide open. If you are passing through, Godspeed. If you are looking for a worship home, stay with us. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.***



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Presbytery of Western  
North Carolina



More Light  
Presbyterians



a Matthew 25  
Church



Fuente de Vida  
Guatemala



an Earth Care  
Congregation

## **SUNDAY - 5 CENTS A MEAL**

### **8:30 SUNDAY WORSHIP**

9:45 Learning Hour:

- *Lectionary Class (Trinity Room)*
- *Issues & Concerns Class (Classroom 207)*
- *Hashing It Out (Lounge)*
- *Youth Learning Hour*

10:30 Choir Rehearsal

### **11:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP**

5:00 ManKind Project Open Men's Circle

## **MONDAY**

9:00 Finance Team

9:30 Artventure Painters' Group

10:00 New Member Subcommittee

3:00 Death Café

3:30 Tai chi - Beginner

4:00 Tai chi - Intermediate

4:00 Zoom: Endowment Committee

## **TUESDAY**

9:00 Staff Meeting

10:00 Coffee Group

5:45 Self Defense Class

6:30 Deborah Circle

## **WEDNESDAY**

10:30 Friends in Christ

1:00 Spanish Class

7:30 Choir Rehearsal

## **THURSDAY**

9:30 Musicke Antiqua Rehearsal

11:00 Zoom: Between the Lines Book Group

3:30 Tai chi - Beginners

4:00 Tai chi - Intermediate

6:30 Cub Scouts

## **FRIDAY**

8:00 Toastmasters

9:30 AV Installation

## **SATURDAY**

### **SUNDAY - COMMUNION**

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# **Weekly Calendar:** **Feb 25 - Mar 3**

## **Contacts (office/pastoral business) during the week**

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Sally Beghtol: 828-280-2045, rsbeghtol@bellsouth.net

Katie Cilluffo: 828-692-6114, trinitypresbyterianpcusa@gmail.com

**PRAYER CONCERNS Hospice:** Cathy O'Neil  
**Rehab/Nursing:** Nell Payne (Brookdale); Neena Haskins (Sunnybrook); Jane Sugawara (Tore's Home); Bruce Crossman (Carole Ball's brother), Jack Caylor (HHR); Ruth Mills (CV Care Center); Kaye Papazian (Arbor Terrace); Nancy Underwood (Florida); Julia Sellers (Durham); Jerry Miller (Indiana); **Home:** Brenda Nelson; Russ Russell; Don Widmayer; Sandra Dwork; Susan Presseau (Jane Presseau's daughter); Jackie & Don Davis (Marty Zigovsky's friends); Paul Soltesz; Evans Thibodeau; Benny Elliot (Landen Gailey's partner); Brian Dillon; Bob McLean (Judy Groff's brother); Ken Sugawara; Jay, Lorrie, & Robert Pelc (Carole Ball's family); Nancy Twitchen; Dan Green; Gillian Vaughan (Edie Clark's granddaughter); Kim & Jason Ball; Julee Gray (Kuykendoll's friend); Lauren McBride (Kuykendoll's daughter); Barbara Nichols; Bud Weeks; Jim Emme; Jim Luzadder; Irene Lunsford, T.K. Owens (family of Dolly Owens & Nancy Twitchen); Barbara Pickwood; Alice McCullough; Dave Morrison **Others:** our mission coworkers and the people of Madagascar and Guatemala, our sister church Fuente de Vida, the people of Israel and Gaza, Sudan, Ukraine and Russia, and those harmed by new anti-LGBTQIA+ legislation and by gun violence.

**UNDIE SUNDAY: EVERY SUNDAY IN FEBRUARY!** Supporting IAM, the Hendersonville Rescue Mission, & Homes for Youth. Packaged NEW underwear and bras needed (not socks or T-shirts.) Adult sizes critically needed. Collection bins in the Narthex all week! Questions? Contact Leslie Nissen at (912) 398-1018 or LNissen@gmail.com.

**COMMUNITY SELF DEFENSE CLASS: FEB 27, 5:45-7:45, Fellowship Hall** Brevard-based health & fitness instructor Melissa McCall presents "Refuse to Be A Victim", a one night, two-part lecture and practicum class based on safety, awareness, and escape strategies to protect one's self and to avoid violence. McCall is also a Silver Sneakers program trainer. All ages and genders are invited to attend. Class cost \$25. Sign up in the Narthex, the office, or online.

## **EARTH CARE MINISTRY UPDATES:**

- **Green Solar Power for Schools** - We can help put solar in schools and involve children at the same time! Sign up to either make a donation or add \$4 to your Duke bill every month (100% goes to the solar projects. See our blog for more details (scroll down on our homepage for latest posts)
- **Help our bees do their job!** Interested in helping bees with pollination? Check out the one-page color handout on the Earth Care Ministry table in the narthex for planting ideas.

**EARLY VOTING:** February 15 - March 1, 8:00am-7:30pm and Friday March 2 - 8:00am-3:00pm - in person, ID required. One location: BOARD OF ELECTIONS, 75 E Central St Hendersonville, 828-697-4970

**FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY GOODIES:** Sign-up on the cold drink table in the atrium to provide snacks for coffee time between services. Home-made and/or store-bought items are all greatly appreciated. (See Julie Carter for questions.) Thank you!

**DEATH CAFÉ** Mon, Feb 26 at 3pm in the lounge. We practice gentle listening, sharing stories of loss, fear, and grief from deep within our hearts. Light refreshments are served.

**GLOBAL MISSIONS GUATEMALA PARTNERSHIP:** Prayers for our Fuente de Vida and all sister churches in Guatemala, and for the country of Guatemala during this challenging, but potentially promising, time in their history. - *Carole Ball*

**THESE DAYS DEVOTIONALS** for April, May, & June are here in the Narthex. Get yours today!

**WED NIGHT LIVE** - Mar 6. Join Enrique & Norie Sanchez on their recent trip to Australia and New Zealand. Dinner at 5:30, presentation at 6:30. Please sign up in the Narthex ASAP. Thanks!

**GLOBAL MISSIONS:** The Malawi Mission Team will travel April 9 -24, 2024. The team is requesting our finished products by Friday, March 15. With those parameters, the remaining Luopad Parties have been scheduled for:

- Tuesday, March 5, 10 to 12 noon