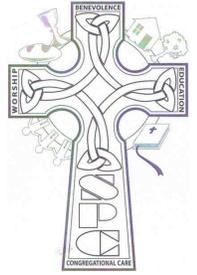


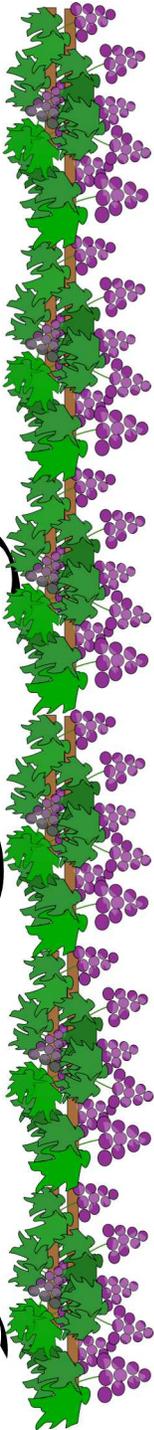


Sedgefield Presbyterian Church



Responding gratefully through service in our community, worshipping our Creator and working to alleviate hunger in our neighborhood.

April Grapevine



"I am the true vine and my Father is the gardener." ~John 15:1

Greetings!

The Lenten Season provides a time of reflection. It is not about what you're missing out on (chocolate, wine, or FB), but about who you are, and both who you are becoming and who you are failing to become. Easter is getting closer.



I wanted to share an article that I just wrote for the *News & Record*. It will be included in a project by Nancy McLaughlin (religion writer) on Easter Sunday. Several pastors in our community were asked to see Greensboro through the eyes of the disciples. My article is through the eyes of Matthew. I hope this sneak peak will encourage you to read the entire Easter project. ~Kim

News & Record Article:

I walk with Jesus down Elm Street. We stop at Center City Park where he works alongside other Greensboro citizens to feed the hungry. We continue up Elm to Moses Cone and work with other volunteers who visit the sick, donate toys for the pediatric unit, and engage patients undergoing chemotherapy with art projects. We walk over to Murrow Blvd. and drop off blankets at the Interactive Resource Center. We then take clothing to the homeless who live in the woods and read to children at The Salvation Army. Along the way, we meet and work with many of you. Just like when he walked and ministered from Galilee to Capernaum and Judea to Jerusalem, Jesus never draws much attention to himself, but focuses on the needs of the beggar, the homeless, the refugee, and the voiceless—they are the ones with whom he sees, touches, hears, and heals. As Jesus continues to interact with members of our Greensboro community, I recalled a time when Jesus whispered to me and my friends on a mountain,

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." (Matt 5:4) and "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled." (Matt 5:6)

I recall that on October 30, 2018, Jesus and I were among the 2000 people that gathered in solidarity for the Guilford County Rally Against Hate and Violence at Temple Emanuel. Jesus and I were astounded by the unity of the Greensboro community. The Greensboro Faith Leaders Council charged the crowd to take a stand against hatred and "to be a consistent and insistent witness to God's love for diversity and justice." Jesus and I, along with many of you, mourned those whose lives had been taken by the gunfire of hate. Coming together, we were comforted by seeing people of all racial, ethnic, and faith backgrounds, young and old, seeking love, justice, and mercy. We joined in as mourners standing shoulder to shoulder, sharing tears and knowing that the way of hate is not God's way. Together we witnessed a renewed call to love and care for one another. Tragedy struck yet again last month after the tragic loss of lives in Christchurch, New Zealand. He and I were there as many of you came together again to denounce hatred and to support our Muslim brothers and sisters. Again, tears streamed down Jesus' face—he was devastated that these despicable acts occurred in sacred places of worship.

Jesus does not let the grass grow under his feet. We have also gone to local Bible studies, AA and NA meetings, watched as people have held open doors for strangers, brought casseroles to the sick, and opened local businesses that employ individuals with special needs. While observing, Jesus repeated to me what he told the other disciples, "I was hungry, and you gave me food" and "I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink." (Matt 25:35). I must confess the man I knew in Israel is the same Jesus I see in Greensboro. He is driven by his passion for righteousness. It brings joy to Jesus when he is able to see that the hungry are fed, that the thirsty find water, and that people from all walks of life band together to support justice and to fight hatred, racism, and bigotry.



I remain impressed with Jesus but I believe Jesus is even more fascinated with what he is witnessing on the streets of Greensboro. But even with the joy he experienced working with the people to feed the hungry, fight racism, and welcome strangers, Jesus acknowledged how much work there is to be done.

The ways we love one another matters. If we pay attention we will see Jesus feeding the hungry child at school, welcoming the stranger who is of a different ethnic group, and visiting the prisoner. Jesus is on the loose in Greensboro proclaiming "God's kingdom come on Greensboro as it is in heaven..." May his ways become our ways.

Matthew

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| 3 Travis Huddleston | 19 Andrew Barker |
| 4 Jennifer Messer | Lisa Cook |
| 5 Julia Hayes | Scott Hall |
| 7 Kate Cook | 20 Sharon Turcot |
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| 10 Linda Price | Hub Gehling |
| 12 Bradley Priddy | 26 Andy Bucior, Jr, |
| Ryan Priddy | 27 Vincent Bottjen |
| 13 Lindsey Griffin | 28 Katherine Michalove |



26 Ann & Bob Kroupa

*If your name is not listed in your birthday/anniversary month in the Grapevine, we don't know it! Please notify the church office and use the subject line: *Grapevine*.

Worship Assistants

April	Lay Reader	Infant Care	Church School
7—Communion, Team B	Geraldine Burch	Linda Price	Karen Johnson
14— Palm Sunday	Julie Gehling	Carol Reed	Suzanne Thacker
18— Maundy Thursday , Communion, Intinction	Gin Reid Hall	Charlotte Stone	
21— Easter Communion, Team A	Bob Halpin	Diane Weeks	Gin Reid Hall
28	Leisa Huddleston	Norma Matto	Shani Lester

Communion Assistants:

Team A: Sheryl Bell, Ellen Chelava, Zoe Dillard, Jim Gehling

Team B: Gin Reid Hall, Karen Johnson, Gene Lester, Jef Morgan

April Communion Preparations:

- 7 —Zoë Dillard
- 18—Roger & Myra Montgomery
- 21—Bruce Bingham



April Greeters & Ushers: Bob & Nancy Halpin **April Elders on Call:** Zoë Dillard, Sheryl Bell

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Elders

Session Class of 2019:

Zoë Dillard, Jim Gehling, Jef Morgan

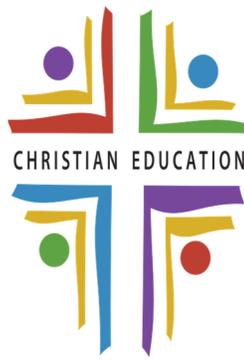
Session Class of 2020:

Gin Reid Hall, Gene Lester, Myra Montgomery

Session Class of 2021:

Sheryl Bell, Ellen Chelava, Karen Johnson





Adult Sunday School Classes

As we continue discussing the terms covenant, community and common good, we'll look at what these terms mean in regard to our relationship with nature and the environment.

Children from birth to Grade 5 are invited to church school during worship.

CHILDREN BEGIN THE "JOURNEY THROUGH LENT" (CHURCH SCHOOL)

At Sedgefield Presbyterian, the younger children join with the congregation for the beginning of worship and are then invited to come forward with their Pennies for Hunger and the children's time message. After a prayer, the children may return to their families or go to church school in the education wing. There is also an infant caregiver available each Sunday.

As we begin the season of Lent, children from preschool age through Grade 5 will also begin this journey during church school.

Using the special booklet, What is Lent?, along with other Lenten resources, church school leaders will help the children explore this season of reflection, leading up to Holy Week and the great celebration of Easter.

FRANK'S CORNER

Revolutionary Jesus—Meeting at Revolution Mill, 2003 Yanceyville Street beginning Tuesday, February 5 from 6:00-7:00 pm., and continuing through April 9. Come join us as we talk about the call of the Revolutionary Jesus of the Bible to follow him! ~Led by Frank Dew

Servant Leadership—Improving our Acoustics for Hearing the Gospel. Study together the topics of Servant Leadership with Frank Dew at the Franciscan Center in downtown Greensboro, 233 N. Greene Street. Classes are Mondays from 7:00-8:00 pm began in January, but please join us for any remaining classes.

Attention All Youth-

Our Youth Group will meet with the youth of Jamestown Presbyterian Church.

Middle School Youth will meet from 4:30 to 6:30 pm with dinner included. High School Youth will meet from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Brian Stroud is serving as the Interim Youth Director at JPC.

All Middle School and High School Students are invited to join us!

SPC Preschool

Spring is in the Air! We have been busy leaning about dinosaurs and celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday. We made green eggs with some delicious yogurt, dyed green of course! Our 4 year old class went on a Leprechaun hunt but never could catch that pesky creature.

We finished up our Spring Fundraiser selling cookie dough. It was quite successful. The money from that fundraiser will help buy the teachers' new manipulatives for each classroom.

April will be full of discussions about spring and weather. We are currently watching with anticipation for our butterflies to hatch. Yes, live butterflies in the classroom! The class has witnessed each stage of the metamorphosis. We can't wait to release them after they hatch!



Please keep in your prayers:

Classie Meredith, Jo Ann Smith, Jim Turner (Suzanne Thacker's brother) who has begun chemo and radiation treatments; the family of **Gene Royal Goldston**. Gene's funeral will be held here on March 30. Family will receive visitors at 1 pm, service begins at 2 pm; Lisa and Matt Miller, the family of **Michael Miller**. Michael's funeral service will be on April 20 at 2 pm, with visitation afterwards.

Pray especially for the many victims of violence; the families of the victims of the Mosque shootings in Christchurch, New Zealand; and our country in this time of uncertainty.

Note: Prayer requests should be sent to the church office at office@sedgefieldpresbyterian.org.





Easter Sunday is a special day in the life of the church. We invite you to join us on Sunday, April 21, and bring your family and friends to this special day of worship and gratitude to God.

Also, please check your yard for flowers to add to our cross. These pictures show our cross last Easter Sunday.



Worship Calendar

April 14 Palm Sunday —Crowds cheer Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.
11 am Worship, Communion

April 18 Maundy Thursday—The Last Supper
7 pm Worship, Communion

April 19 Good Friday—Jesus' Crucifixion

April 21 Easter Sunday—Jesus' Resurrection
11 am Worship, Communion. Bring flowers to add to our cross

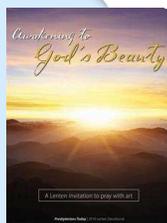
The Passion Week

Matthew 21-27
Key events during Jesus' final week

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Crowds cheer Jesus' entry to Jerusalem (Palm Sunday) 21:1-11	Jesus angers leaders by throwing vendors out of the temple 21:12-46	Jesus confronts the hypocrisy of the Jewish leaders 23-25	Judas bribed to betray Jesus 26:14-16	The Last Supper; Judas betrays Jesus; Peter denies Jesus 26:17-75	Jesus' crucifixion; the chief priests rally the people to chant, "Crucify him!" 27	

Lenten Devotionals

will be available in the back of the Sanctuary. Please take one to be your companion during this season of Lent.



Session Snippets

- Feb. 3** – Congregational Meeting. Unanimous vote to approve \$4,000 change in terms of call for Pastor Kim
- Feb. 24** – Approved Facilities proposal for Jeff McGhee to replace preschool roof
- March 17** – Called meeting approved Facilities proposal for Webb Heating & AC to replace the failed HVAC unit serving New Parlor and Gathering Area.
- March 22** – Session retreat focused on ministry teams (Community, Nurture, Resources) and future plans for SPC.

Dates to remember: April 5, Faith Action ID drive; April 6, GUM food drive 10-6 at Harris Teeter Adams Farm Shopping Center



A reminder from the Finance Team:

You can set up an automatic payment to the church each month through your bank's ONLINE BANKING SERVICE. Set the amount, choose the date you want it sent.....and forget it! The bank does the rest. That way you do not have to bring your checkbook, or remember to stay caught up during the busy summer months.



In addition to our regular Refreshment Time that we begin during the summer months, we will also offer a light refreshment at **10:45 on Sunday, April 28 and on Sunday, May 26.**

Please arrive a few minutes before worship to enjoy this time with others.



Facilities Team

Thanks be to God and our Facilities Team for keeping us warm in the winter, cool in the summer, and dry all year long!



**Annual Springfest & Tag Sale & Bake Sale
Saturday, May 18th
7am to noon**

Accepting donations up to **FRIDAY, MAY 17. Accepting bake sale items FRIDAY MAY 17 AND DAY OF SALE, SATURDAY MAY 18.** We already have a room filled and more coming all the time.

Toys, household items, collectibles, outdoor items, holiday items, furniture, kitchen items, vintage, new and much more. **We are not accepting clothing.**

Needed:

- Help running the bake sale table
- Help on Sunday, May 12th, with moving items from the old parlor and youth room to the fellowship hall, we'll do this right after church.
- Help the next week with sorting and setting up and pricing new items that come in, we are most fortunate that Karen Younts and Linda Price will have priced almost everything prior to us moving it. What a blessing!

Questions, call or text Karen Johnson at 336-317-2786

**REMEMBER
THIS DATE
~AND~
COME &
SHOP!
MANY
BARGAINS!**

News

From Congregational Care



Attention All Cooks!

The volunteers taking part in this very important ministry prepare and deliver food to those who are ill, who have had a death in their family, or are recovering from a medical procedure.



To request help with a meal, or to volunteer, please contact Diane Weeks, at dianeweeks54@gmail.com.

Church Connections

A great team of volunteers send notes and goodie packages to our young adults after they leave home for college, military, or work.



Connection Angels for March & April:

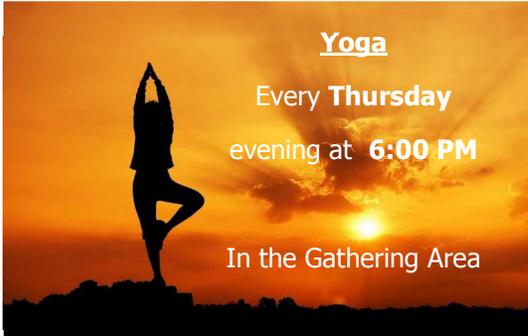
Sheryl Bell , Bonnie Hensel, Karen Johnson, Norma Matto

PARENTS: Please send your youth's change-of-address to Lindaprice452@gmail.com AND notify Linda of any new names that need to be added to our **Church Connections** list.

Yoga

Every **Thursday**
evening at **6:00 PM**

In the Gathering Area




WELCOME To our first-time visitors! These volunteers greet our visitors and give them information about our church and a package of Equal Exchange coffee.



April Volunteers



Women Dining Out

All women of the church are invited to attend a monthly dinner together. These dinners take place on the fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 at various locations.

April's dinner will be on Monday, April 22 at Elizabeth's Italian Restaurant on Groometown Road.

The newest Church Directory was sent out via email in February. If you need a hard copy OR if you did not get an email attachment, please check with the church office.

PLEASE look over the copy you received and notify the church office of any changes in your information.

These are changes we have received. Please correct them in your copy:

- 1) Roger Montgomery's cell phone: 336-255-9083



GREENSBORO URBAN MINISTRY - SPRING FOOD DRIVE

**Adams Farm Harris Teeter -
Saturday, April 6**

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Here is an opportunity to give back to our community and help ease the burden of hunger affecting many of our neighbors.

We need 8 folks to volunteer 2 hours in front of the Harris Teeter at Adams Farm. All you need to bring is a smile and friendly attitude. We will hand out a list of suggested food needed by the Food Bank and receive food from donors. It's that easy!!

For more information and/or to sign up to volunteer call Ellen Chelava at 336-554-1028 or email at Chelava41@gmail.com.

The photo above is from 1987, the first time (or one of the first) we collected for GUM. It was taken at the Harris-Teeter on High Point Road, in what is now the Big Lots Shopping Center. Pictured are Annie Lucas, longtime member of SPC until she moved to Davidson about 10 years ago, and Juanita McLennan, another faithful member until her death in the 1990's.



DO ALL THE GOOD YOU CAN,
BY ALL THE MEANS YOU CAN,
IN ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN,
IN ALL THE PLACES YOU CAN,
AT ALL THE TIMES YOU CAN
TO ALL THE PEOPLE YOU CAN,
AS LONG AS EVER YOU CAN.

~John Wesley

Looking Ahead!

In just a little over 3 months we will begin our **7th Summer Lunch/Enrichment Program** for children and youth at Colt's Run Apartments. In keeping with our mission statement, "A welcoming body of Christ's followers responding gratefully through service in our community, worshipping our Creator and working to alleviate hunger in our neighborhood.", the Benevolence Ministry Team added a summer lunch program in 2013 to the existing Back Pack program. We wanted to provide a hot lunch, fun and enrichment activities for the children/youth who live at Colt's Run Apartments. All the children in pre K -5th grade attend Sedgefield Elementary, our partner school, so this was the perfect place to provide lunches for children/youth. Many volunteers from our church/ community and local restaurants come together for 5 weeks, providing great food and lots of fun outside under "The Big Tree" for approximately 100+ children.

We hope that many of you will continue to support the Summer Lunch/Enrichment program this summer. It would not be possible without the great support we get from so many! Look for ways you can help in the May Grapevine.

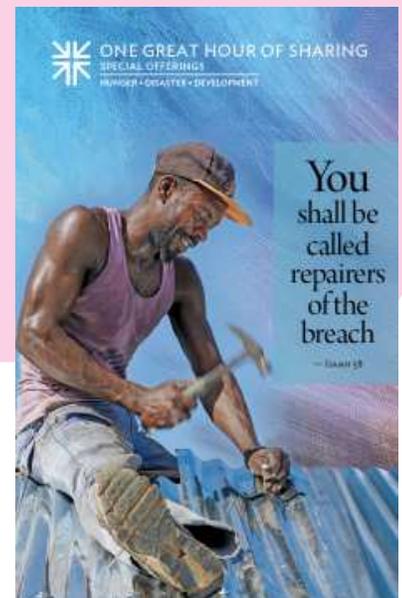
Sunday, April 21 is Easter Sunday and it is also the day we will take a special offering for

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world. One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference in the world.

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)
- Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP)
- Self-Development of People (SDOP)

Find out more about these programs at www.pcusa.org/oghs



HOT DOG TUESDAY

EVERY Tuesday (January– November)

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Hinshaw United Methodist Church

4501 W. Gate City Blvd.

(formerly High Point Road)

BENEFITS LOCAL HUNGER



27th Annual Event!



Serving Greensboro Together is a highly successful, all day community event that supports our ministry. Participating restaurants throughout Greensboro agree to donate 10% of their total sales on a given day to help Greensboro Urban Ministry fight hunger.

In 2018, a total of 105 restaurants participated and more than \$29,000 was raised. Since 1993, community restaurants have contributed more than \$554,000! Special thanks to the participating restaurants and sponsors!

When you go out to eat, please thank the SGT restaurant or if they did not participate, please encourage them to get involved. **This year celebrates the 27th Annual Serving Greensboro Together event on Tuesday, May 7th!**

Click this link for a list of participating restaurants. Check back often; the participating restaurant list will continue to update.
<https://greensborourbanministry.org/events/serving-greensboro-together/>

Kim—Many thanks for your call last week checking up on us. We do apologize for not getting back to you. And since we have wanted to get in touch with others in the SPC family, I decided to answer by way of this message.

The move to Twin Lakes has been difficult, but we are happy to now report that it is now beginning to look and feel like home. The difficulty came with the issues of deciding what would go in our 1600 sf Twin Lakes Villa from our 3400 sf Grandover house. The simple answer is not as much as we had hoped! Suffice it to say that it has been stressful. We can now say that TL now is beginning to look and feel like home. We know that we made the right decision and we are glad we are here.

You will remember that we normally do not go out much during the flu season. That is primarily the reason we have not been at church for awhile. However, throw in our move to Twin Lakes on January 11th, a portion of Roger's ear removed due to cancer being found, an unexplained rash on Faye's arm that has been difficult to get rid of, and getting settled in here at Twin Lakes, and you can see some of the issues that have added to our being out of touch.

As for Faye's rash, it has now gone away, but it has taken about a month. (Doctor has no explanation, but I think it was due to stress!). In early January, I had a sore develop on my ear lobe at the same location that I previously had a Basal Cell removed. This turned out to be the same, but much larger. I was unable to get an appointment until late February when I had the MOHS surgery. A cancer about 1/2 x 1 1/2 inch was removed. I have been unable to wash my hair or get a haircut for the past month! Happy to report the bandage will come off this afternoon and I will be able to wash my hair again! According to the doctor, my ear will eventually begin to look normal again when the stitches are removed in about two weeks. Hope he is right!

We do hope to see you at church soon, but we will see how the ear does and if the flu abates earlier. Hope all of you are well. —Roger and Faye



Following the Trail of Tears, May 20th-26th

The Indian Removal Act was signed into law in 1830. Eight years later, thousands of Cherokee men, women, and children were forcibly removed from their homes in the southeastern United States. Due to extremely harsh weather conditions, exhaustion, disease, malnourishment, and violence from U.S. soldiers, thousands died along the infamous Trail of Tears.

The Church played its role in creating an atmosphere where Cherokee removal was justified. The Doctrine of Discovery, repudiated by the recent General Assembly of the PCUSA, laid a theological foundation for the conquest of indigenous peoples. Many ministers advocated for the removal of the Cherokee, and the horrific legacy of Christian boarding schools is one the Church has yet to address.

We must examine this deeply painful past in order to take steps toward justice and right relationship with indigenous communities. **Join us as we seek to honor and understand Cherokee culture and spirituality, confront the legacy of white supremacy within ourselves and in American race-relations, and articulate a path of repentance from this racism, by following a portion of the Northern Route of the Trail of Tears from May 20th-May 26th, 2019.**

Contact Rev. Stuart Taylor at stutaylor3@gmail.com for more information.

A BIG Thank You for all the prayers, visits, and cards while I've been struggling with my bad knee and hip the past year. I'm home from rehab now, no more pain and feeling human once again.

Love to all and I'll see you soon.

Mary Beisner



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 April Fool's Day Kim out of office	2 Revolutionary Jesus continues	3	4 6 pm Yoga	5 FaithAction ID Drive 8:30-4 Fellowship Hall & Gathering Area	6 10-6 GUM Food Drive; HT Adams Farm Shopping Center
7 5th Sunday in Lent; Pennies for Hunger; Communion	8	9 Revolutionary Jesus, last meeting	10	11 6 pm Yoga	12	13
14 Palm Sunday	15	16	17	18 Maundy Thursday Communion Service & Worship	19 Good Friday	20 2 pm Funeral Service for Michael Miller
21 Easter Sunday	22 Earth Day 6:30 Women Dining Out— Elizabeth's Groometown Road	23	24	25 6 pm Yoga	26	27
28 10:45 Light re- freshments in Gathering Area Benevolence Bas- ket; Youth @ Pot- ter's House	29	30	 			

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Director of Music: Andrew P. Bucior, Jr. apbuciorjr@gmail.com

Sedgefield Presbyterian Preschool : Korina S. McGill, Director 336-299-5353






SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY TRAINING DAY
SATURDAY, MARCH 2
AT SPC
Keynote Speakers

Rev. Jimmie Hawkins and
Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis

SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY TRAINING DAY
Presented by PC(USA)'s Salem Presbytery Peace & Justice and Equip Committees

SATURDAY MARCH 2 • 9 AM - 4 PM
SEDGFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
4216 WAYNE ROAD, GREENSBORO, NC 27407

What is good and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?
— Micah 6:8

KEYNOTE, WORSHIP & WORKSHOP LEADERS

REV. JIMMIE HAWKINS
Director, PC(USA) Office of Public Witness in Washington, D.C., and a leader in the Moral Monday movement

REV. DR. LIZ THEOHARIS
Co-Chair of the Poor People's Campaign with Rev. Dr. William Barber, author of *Always with Us? What Jesus Really Said about the Poor*, co-author of *Revive Us Again: Vision and Action in Moral Organizing*

REV. FRANK DEW, Peace and Justice Advocate, Salem Presbytery • **REV. CARLTON EVERSLEY**, Dellabrook Presbyterian Church • **REV. JOHN GASKA**, Trinity Presbyterian Church • **JESSICA MAULDIN**, Presbyterian Hunger Program, Associate for Earth Care & Sustainable Living, PC(USA) • **SOPHIA MOSQUERA**, Director of Community Education & Advocacy, Faith Action International House • **REV. JULIE PEEPLES**, Congregational United Church of Christ • **REV. JEFF PASCHAL**, Gullford Park Presbyterian • **REV. KIM PRIDDY**, Sedgfield Presbyterian Church • **MARGARET ARBUCKLE**, Elder, First Presbyterian Church • **LYNETTE HAWKINS**, Elder, Saint James Presbyterian Church • **REV. DIANNA WRIGHT**, Associate Presbyter, Salem Presbytery • **BRYAN MCFARLAND**, Associate Presbyter, Salem Presbytery

DETAILS & REGISTRATION ▶



Ash Wednesday Pancake Supper & Service, March 6



Above, Prayer Service & Celebration



Left, Kim, Riley, Avery at Worship
Below, Riley & Noelle taking a drive



Right, Preschool teachers and class playing in Gathering Area during rainy March weather.



Far right, Enjoying refreshments

