



ORDER OF WORSHIP
4th Sunday of Lent

Shelby Presbyterian Church
March 10th, 2024
10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: “*Wondrous Love*” (Wood) Emily Monroe

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Drew Mangione

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Lori Wehmuller

O give thanks to the Lord, who is good,

God’s steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord from every corner of the earth proclaim,

God’s steadfast love endures forever.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #443: “*There Is a Redeemer*”

CALL TO CONFESSION Lori Wehmuller

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **Merciful God, you so loved the world that you sent the Son, fully one with you, to be fully one with us, so that all who trust in him might inherit your eternal life. We accept this for ourselves, but too often limit your love. Forgive us. Give us hearts to embrace others. Do not dampen our desire to know your will but help us to extend your love to all. Amen. (*silent confession*)**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, believe the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*RESPONSE (sung): ***Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.***

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of the Lord be with you! **And also, with you!**

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Carol Ann Hoard

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Lori Wehmuller

FIRST SCRIPTURE Numbers 21:4-9

ANTHEM: "For God So Love the World" (Martin) Chancel Choir

For God so loved the world, he gave his priceless pearl. He gave his only son.

Love came that none should die.

Christ came a sacrifice that whosoever believeth in him would have eternal life.

*For God sent not his son to the world to condemn the world,
but that the world through him might live.*

SECOND SCRIPTURE John 3:14-21 Drew Mangione

SERMON "What Wondrous Throne Is This?"

*HYMN #215: "What Wondrous Love Is This"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Nicene Creed): **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was born of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

CALL TO PRESENT TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory : "God So Loved The World" (Hustad/Wyrtzen) Organ/Piano

*Doxology (sung): **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

*CLOSING HYMN #826: "Lift High the Cross"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Drew Mangione

*CHORAL BENEDICTION: "These Forty Days" (Moser)

Chancel Choir

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

Anna Grace McCullough

*POSTLUDE: "Lift High the Cross" (Manz)

Emily Monroe

Music Licenses: 1575277 (CCLI)/ A-739540 (One License)

Sound Board: Chip Blackley, Mike Jackson

Ushers: Holly Petrilli, Michael Pruitt, Alison Moore, Trey Warrick

Scriptures read in service are original translations, unless otherwise noted.

Feel free to read a familiar translation and listen for different word choices.

CHILDCARE is available for infants through preschool in Room 102, staffed by

Lindsay Carter, Lilly Hamilton, and Holly Conner

In order to protect your children, please be sure they are accompanied at all times by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.

WE WELCOME all who worship with us this morning. If you are interested in more information or in becoming a member of our family of faith, please call the church office, 704-487-8503. If you have questions about our hearing loop system, please call the church office Monday-Thursday, 9:00-4:00, Friday 9:00-12:00. **After the service, all first-time visitors are invited to the back of the church where a church member will welcome you with a special greeting.**

THIS WEEK (MARCH 10 - 16, 2024):

Today	11:00 am	Handbells in Bell Room
	11:00 am	Deacons Meeting in Back Parlor
	3:00 pm	Labyrinth Prayer Workshop in Ellis Hall
Monday	Lily Order Due	
	9:30 am	Food Ministry in Ellis Hall
	1:00 pm	Clerk's Council in Pastor's Study
	6:00 pm	Nominating Committee in Conference Room
	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 100 in Scout House
Tuesday	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall
	10:30 am	Staff Meeting in Ellis Hall
Wednesday	3:00 pm	Cecilia Music Club in Sanctuary
	12:00 pm	Lenten Service at Aldersgate UMC
	5:15 pm	Handbells Rehearsal in Sanctuary
	6:00 pm	Multiethnic Church Book Study in Ellis Hall.
	6:00 pm	Growing in Grace
Thursday	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room
	12:00 pm	Finance Committee in Back Parlor
	6:00 pm	Mission and Ministry in Back Parlor
	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall & AI – Anon in Back Parlor
Friday	12:00 pm	Ellis Hall reserved until 9:00 pm

EASTER CANDY: This year's Easter Egg Hunt is Sunday, March 24th. We are asking church members to donate bags of candy for the eggs. Please have candy in to the office by Sunday, March 17th. Our Hen and Rooster Party to stuff eggs will be Thursday, March 21st at 10:00. Thank you!

LABYRINTH PRAYER WORKSHOP TODAY March 10th at 3:00 in Ellis Hall. All ages are invited to create and decorate your own hand-held labyrinth that you can use to help you pray or just relax.

ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST LENTEN LUNCHTIME WORSHIP Wednesday, March 13th from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. The cost is \$8.00 per person. If you are on a tight schedule, please feel free to go to the front of the line. Robert Canoy from First Baptist will preach and lunch is Chicken Chili with Cornbread.

HABITAT WORKDAY SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD from 8:00 to 12:00. Anyone interested in volunteering contact Richard Hart to sign up. The number of volunteers will be limited, so please indicate your interest as soon as possible. Please call (229)563-1253 or send a message to rchart1121@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support and prayers for our Habitat affiliate.

COMMUNITY FRIDGE SHELBY: Thanks to those whose hearts are with our neighbors who are food insecure, our Community Refrigerator is being generously stocked daily. The people with whom we cross paths are grateful for the 24/7 accessibility for assistance without stigma. To sign up for a day to fill the fridge: bit.ly/fridgesteward If you would prefer to donate and have a Fridge Volunteer grocery shop & restock for you, you can drop a check by the church office or give online. Ideas for fridge filling: bananas, Halos (small, easy-to-peel oranges), apples, baby carrots, individual yogurts or cottage cheese, string cheese, 1/2 gallon of milk, 1/2 doz. eggs, tuna packets, packages of luncheon meat, cherry tomatoes, bread, snack-size ziplock bags of berries/grapes/pepper strips/broccoli/celery/etc., and premade salads. Ideas for freezer filling: waffles, pancakes, sausage biscuits, snack-size ziplock bags of frozen berries, frozen meals/pizzas. Ideas for cabinet: bottled water, canned soup with pull tab lid, canned veggies/fruit/beans, small packages of nuts, peanut butter, dried fruit, beef jerky, small containers of fruit or applesauce, bars of soap, feminine hygiene supplies, toilet paper, and packaged silverware. Thank you SPC for hosting the Community Fridge. Questions? Email annaschweppe29@gmail.com.

Easter Lilies Order Form



As is our custom, Easter Lilies will fill our Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, March 31st (after which you may take yours home). If you would like to order a lily(ies) - \$15 each - to be placed in the church, either in memory or in honor of someone, we ask that your check accompany the order form below and that it be made payable to "Shelby Presbyterian Church". Turn your form and check into the church office **by March 11th**

or drop it in the offering plate by then.

I (We) would like _____ lily(ies) placed in the church on Easter.
Enclosed is \$_____ (\$15 each payable to SPC).
In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

By _____

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (also see ongoing prayer list in newsletter) . . .

Our prayers and sympathies go out to JoAnn Beattie and family in the passing of her husband, George Beattie on March 5, 2024. George had been a member of SPC for 21 years.

John Auten, Pam Birmingham, Dick Bowling, J.W. & Pat Brotherton, JoAnn Callahan, Hannah Carpenter, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Sandy Carpenter, Conway Carter, Chris Denning, Judy DuBois, Debbie Ferrell, Ina Harrington, August Hohne, Andi Houser, Alene Lang, Chuck Laughlin, Kobe Lawrence, Cheryl Lutz, Shayvonne Maddox, Brooke McCurry, Lisa Perkins – Dodrill, Pauline Persing, Ellen Poston, Clay Pruett, Dot Roark, Larry Stern, Melanie Vance, Linda Ware, Jackie Weathers, Stephanie Williams, Teresa Wingo, and our homeless neighbors; all with respiratory illnesses; the victims of natural disaster and war, including in Ukraine, Israel-Gaza, and Guatemala; all in military service and their families; Food Ministry; Turning Point Academy, Rainbow Connection, our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos; Tenwek Hospital; John McCall in Taiwan; Christians around the globe who are persecuted for their faith.