



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Second Sunday after Epiphany

Shelby Presbyterian Church
January 14, 2024
10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: *"O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing"* (Callahan) Emily Monroe

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Drew Mangione, Pastor

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Cathy Burns

The one who calls you and has gathered you together today, years for each of you and for all people to hear and be blessed.

Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

Blessed is the One who knows us and comes to us bringing trustworthy words for the healing of the world.

Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #401: *"Gather Us In"*

CALL TO CONFESSION Cathy Burns

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **Holy God, you see into each of us and know us fully as creatures in need of your constant care. We confess that we have often failed to hear your word and neglected to follow your will. We have failed our nation, neighbors, families, friends, and ourselves. Give us ears to hear your wisdom. Lead us to honesty and faith so that we may begin again with renewed strength. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen. (silent confession)**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, believe the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI (sung): ***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.***

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST Cathy Burns

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

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Susan Grose & Dylan Steeves

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Cathy Burns

FIRST SCRIPTURE Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18

ANTHEM: *"My God is an Awesome God"* Chancel Choir

My God is an awesome God. Hallelujah! Let's give him the praise. His wondrous acts let us proclaim. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein. God sent me to a distant land, and he showed his greatness and majesty. I was an empty cup and he made me full, and he ordained me to do his will. God is good; he's always right on time. Let's take the time to glorify the Lord. Hold on and never let go. He is our friend indeed. Let's tell the world that he is our God. For He hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods. The Lord is strong and mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and the King of glory shall come in. Send me. Anoint me. Use me Lord.

SECOND SCRIPTURE John 1:43-51 Drew Mangione

SERMON "Under the Fig Tree"

*RESPONSIVE HYMN #302: *"When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace"*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (1 Cor. 15:1-6, Matt. 16:16, Rev. 22:13, John 20:28): **This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand and by which we are saved if we hold it fast: That Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day, and that He appeared, first to the women and to Peter, and to the Twelve and to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; He is our Lord and our God. 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: *"Open My Eyes That I May See"* (arr. Hegerty) Emily Monroe

*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 #69: *"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Drew Mangione

*CHORAL BENEDICTION: *"Arise!"* (Moser)

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE: *"Festival Postlude"* (Zipoli) Emily Monroe

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

Sound Board: Patrick Glenn & Mike Jackson

Ushers: Debbie Hart, Claire McCullough, Michelle Moser, 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.**

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held immediately following the 10 am worship service Sunday, January 21st. This meeting is to elect two at-large members to the Nominating Committee; to vote on changes to the terms of call (salary package) for the pastor; and to hear a brief report on the 2024 budget.

THIS WEEK (JANUARY 14-20, 2024):

Today 5:00 pm **Youth Bible Study** in Youth Room
5:00 pm **Diaconate Meeting** in Back Parlor

Monday **Office closed** – MLK Holiday
7:00 pm **Boy Scout Troop 100** in Scout House
8:00 pm **AA** in Ellis Hall

Tuesday **NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE**
10:30 am **Staff Meeting** in Ellis Hall
5:30 pm **Personnel Committee** in Back Parlor
6:00 pm **Fellowship Committee** in Conference Room
6:30 pm **Session meeting** in Back Parlor

Wednesday 11:00 am **Rainbow Committee** in F3 Room
6:00 pm **Wednesday Night Supper** in Ellis Hall
6:00 pm **Growing in Grace** (Children eat at 5:30)
7:00 pm **Chancel Choir** in Choir Room

Thursday 6:00 pm **Mission & Ministry** in Back Parlor
8:00 pm **AA** in Ellis Hall **AI-Anon** in Back Parlor

Friday **CHURCH CLOSED Carpets being cleaned**

BOOK STUDY: You're invited to participate in a study and discussion of "Building a Multiethnic Church" by Rev. Dr. Derwin Gray, Pastor of Transformation Church in Charlotte. Pastor Drew will lead the study over eight (8) sessions beginning with a **Wednesday Night Supper on Jan. 17**, and concluding on April 24, all in Ellis Hall. Childcare will be available, with Growing in Grace for Pre-K to 5th Grade and nursery for younger children.

SPC GAME NIGHT Saturday, January 27th from 5:00 to 8:00 in Ellis Hall. Let's join together for an evening of fun with board games, dominos, Five Crowns, and Pounce/Nertz. Please feel free to bring you favorite game, soup or snack to share! Contact Carol Ann for more information.

CHILDREN & YOUTH SNOW TUBING Sunday, February 18th cost is \$20 per person must sign up with Carol Ann carolann@shelbypres.org.

SPC TARTAN: SPC's own tartan is here, and it is beautiful! It will be introduced to the congregation at the end of this month. As you may remember, this tartan was designed so that all of the members of our church can more fully participate in the Kirkin O' the Tartan service on Heritage Sunday. Ties, both regular and bow ties, as well as sashes will be available for sale for members and friends of the church so that they can express their relationship to the family of SPC during the Kirkin service. If you are interested in ordering fabric to create a flag of your personal tartan, now is the time to order it. Look for more details about this exciting addition in the coming weeks.

THANK YOU, CHURCH FAMILY, for supporting our Community Refrigerator. The fridge is being restocked daily and helping our neighbors. If you'd like to fill the fridge during January, sign up here: bit.ly/spcfridge. Questions? Email annaschweppe29@gmail.com

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

John Auten, JoAnn and George Beattie, Pam Birmingham, Debra Blanton, Dick Bowling, J.W. & Pat Brotherton, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Sandy Carpenter, Chris Denning, Debbie Ferrell, Ina Harrington, August Hohne, Andi Houser, Cheryl Lutz, Shayvonne Maddox, Brooke McCurry, Marie Patterson, Pauline Persing, Ellen Poston, Clay Pruett, Larry Stern, Linda Ware, Doreen Wacaster, 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.

Wednesday Night
Supper
& Book Study

DR. DERWIN L. GRAY

BUILDING A
MULTIETHNIC
CHURCH

A GOSPEL VISION of LOVE, GRACE,
AND RECONCILIATION IN A DIVIDED W

January 17
at 6:00
Children
at 5:30



Join us for a soup dinner (chili, potato and chicken noodle) and book study on Rev. Dr. Derwin Gray's book "Building a Multiethnic Church"