

## NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

### Sunday, February 11 - Souper Bowl of Caring

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
12:00 p.m. - Youth handbell rehearsal  
5:00 p.m. - Youth Souper Bowl Party hosted by the Doughtons

### Monday, February 12

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal

### Wednesday, February 14

5:45 p.m. - WNL Meal (Soup and Sandwiches)  
7:00 p.m. - Ash Wednesday Service  
7:30 p.m. - Session Meeting in the Crossroads classroom

### Thursday, February 15

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Sunday, February 18

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
12:00 p.m. - Youth handbell rehearsal

### Monday, February 19

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal

### Wednesday, February 21

5:45 p.m. - WNL Meal (Biscuit Chicken Pot Pie)  
6:30 p.m. - A Lenten Bible Study led by Rev. Doughton  
6:30 p.m. - Art Class by Pete Allen (Oil painting)  
7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Meeting  
7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Sunday, February 25

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast  
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
12:00 p.m. - Youth handbell rehearsal

### Monday, February 26

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal

### Wednesday, February 28

5:45 p.m. - WNL Meal (Chili)  
6:30 p.m. - A Lenten Bible Study led by Rev. Doughton  
6:30 p.m. - Art Class by Pete Allen (Oil painting)  
7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Sunday, March 3

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
12:00 p.m. - Youth handbell rehearsal

### Monday, March 4

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal

### Tuesday, March 5

9:15 a.m. - Presbyterian Women - Morning Circle  
7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women - Night Circle

### Wednesday, March 6

5:45 p.m. - WNL Meal (French Bread Pizza)  
6:30 p.m. - A Lenten Bible Study led by Rev. Doughton  
6:30 p.m. - Art Class by Pete Allen (Oil painting)  
7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. - Board of Deacons Meeting in the Crossroads classroom



On Sunday, February 11 the L.I.F.E. Youth will be accepting donations of non-perishable food items or monetary donations. All Contributions will be given to Sharing Life.

Won't you help us Tackle Hunger and score a goal in our area for those in need in 2024.



*\* Wednesday Night Live \**  
*Join us for Winter 2024*

Come experience the new format of our Wednesday Night Live. Don't miss out on an always delicious dinner prepared by Chef Rod beginning at 5:45 p.m. All adult classes begin at 6:30 p.m.

**February 14 - Dinner at 6:00 p.m. followed by Worship Service - Ash Wednesday.**

**February 21 through March 20**

Adult Classes: A Lenten Bible Study led by Rev. Doughton, or Oil Painting with Pete Allen.

**April 3 - April 17**

The Christian Education Committee is developing a series of special event classes for the Third Term. Each Wednesday will bring a special treat. Stay tuned for updates in the weeks ahead.

**Elder Sign-up Sheet has been posted in the hall by Rev. Doughton's Office. Please sign-up today!**

### **2023 Year End Contribution Reports**

Please find the end of the year contribution reports in the Welcome Center. We are so grateful for each of you and for the generous support you have shown the church.



### **THE CHALLENGE**

The 100 Can Challenge continues as we collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. The total collected thus far in February is **55 items. Thank You!**

### **THOSE WHO SERVE**

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor  
Ryoji Shimo, Director of Music Ministries/Organist/Pianist  
Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant  
Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

## GUIDE TO WORSHIP

**February 11, 2024**

**8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**

### **About the Cover Picture**

This is a view of the Old City of Jerusalem from the west side. We were near the walls of the Old City and we had gone to the top of a Maronite (Lebanon Christian) Convent and School. We had just begun the last leg of the journey with two packed days to follow. As we came to the last leg of the journey, we had begun to reflect on all that we had seen and heard. We were coming to the time of "when all is said and done". Today we take our last look at Wisdom Literature (for now) with more words from The Teacher in Ecclesiastes. The section will give us a summary view-and a chance to reflect "when all is said and done."



*Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We hope you find a welcome here worthy of the gracious God we serve. Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk (\*) invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. Let us worship God!*

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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* arr. Matt Hyzer

INTROIT 452 *Open the Eyes of My Heart* Paul Baloche

**Open the Eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart;  
I want to see You; I want to see You.**

**Open the Eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart;  
I want to see You; I want to see You;  
to see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory.  
Pour out Your power and love as we sing "Holy, holy, holy."  
Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.  
Holy, holy, holy, I want to see You.**

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2; Psalm 136:1*

Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**And also to you.**

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good, and His steadfast love endures forever.

\*HYMN 620 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty, Gracious, and Loving God; in Jesus Christ, You called us to be a servant people, but we do not do what You command. We are often silent when we should speak, and useless when we could be useful. Have mercy on us, O God. Forgive us and free us from sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*RESPONSE *(Hymn 581)*

**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. A—men. A—men.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

ANTHEM *(8:45)* *God Be in My Head* Victor C. Johnson  
Chancel Choir

*Refrain:* God be in my head, and in my understanding;  
God be in my eyes, and in my looking;  
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;  
God be in my heart, and in my thinking.

*(Refrain)*

Search me, O God, and know my heart,  
Test me and know my thoughts.  
You have designed the path I take;  
Lead me in your ways.

*(Refrain)*

God be at my end, and at my departing.  
God be within me.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

All Knowing, Gracious God, challenge our minds where they need to be challenged, encourage our wills where they need encouragement, comfort our hearts where they need comforting in Jesus Name, Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON ♦ *Luke 10:25-28*

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And He said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON ♦ *Ecclesiastes 5:18-20*

This is what I have seen to be good: it is fitting to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of the life God gives us; for this is our lot. Likewise all to whom God gives wealth and possessions and whom he enables to enjoy them, and to accept their lot and find enjoyment in their toil—this is the gift of God. For they will scarcely brood over the days of their lives, because God keeps them occupied with the joy of their hearts.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

The Children and Youth are asked to come forward at this time.

\*HYMN 834 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

SERMON *Life Lessons: When all Is Said and Done*  
Rev. Doughton

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *The Gifts We Bring* David Paxton  
Ryoji Shimpo, Pianist

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION †

\*HYMN 39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE 546 *Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing (vs. 1)*  
arr. Geoffrey Thring

**Lord dismiss us with Your blessing;  
fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
let us each, Your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.**

POSTLUDE *Crown Him with Many Crowns* arr. Mark Hayes

*Following the Response we will have our Postlude. Please be seated as the Postlude begins. You are encouraged to use all of the Postlude as part of the worship service. If you wish to pause and then leave during the music, please do so in a worshipful way. Rev. Doughton will be at the door to shake hands.*

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - John Futrell *(8:45)*; Margaret "Meg" GarverHamilton *(11:00)*

Deacon/Ushers † - Rodney Graham, Dallas Ward,  
Mike Lee, and Robbie Lee *(8:45)*;  
Rodney Graham, Dallas Ward, Mary Claire Doughton,  
and Bennett Doughton *(11:00)*

Youth Reader ♦ - Zoe Futrell *(8:45)*; Mary Claire Doughton *(11:00)*