

**A Vision for
Sunnyside Presbyterian Church:
A Beacon Light of God**

Away from the crowded ways of life
At the crossroads where two churches were joined
God called highland farmers
To sow faith and kindness like seeds into a fertile field

Embracing those God sends our way as family
Trusting and giving thanks whether vessels are empty or full
Offering our loaves and fishes
We provide the substance for a miracle in the hands of Christ

The Spirit ignites us to action to illuminate dark corners
Creating community from isolation
Neighbors comforting, feeding, rejoicing
As the hands and voice of Christ
Empowering people to shine!



SERVING THE SERVANTS

Pastor: Rev. J. Evan Harrison
Pianist: Jim Massengill
Treasurer: James Crocker
Custodian: Gary Frease
Presbyterian Women:
Moderator: Joyce Fisher
Vice Moderator: Peggy Bulla
Treasurer: Edna McLaurin
Easter Breakfast Coordinator:
Stanley Carter

Ruling Elders: (serves through the year listed)
Johnnie Evans '18
Gloria Schultz '18
Donna Weeks '18
Coach W. McNeill '19
Maggie Tate '19
Art Weeks '19
Stanley Carter '20
Sue Evans '20
Jim Massengill '20

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IN THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

March 11, 2018 Fourth Sunday of Lent

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

INTROIT & WELCOME

* HYMN #314

What Wondrous Love Is This?

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S GOOD NEWS

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from Brief Statement of Faith*

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and near earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

* PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION *from Matthew 23:27*

God, only you are good. Forgive us for thinking we are better than other people based on the amount of time we spend in church. You called the most religious attenders "Actors! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which on the outside look beautiful, but inside are full of bones of the dead and all kinds of filth." Let our faith in your love for us be so strong that we may take honest looks inside ourselves. Help us acknowledge what is within us without us judging it good or bad. Teach our heart your unspeakable love for us as we ponder the cross until our bonds are removed and we are free to love ourselves, our neighbors and our God freely as if for the first time. Amen.

* DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS & * GLORIA PATRI

SCRIPTURE READING

Numbers 21:4-9

Coach McNeill

CHOIR ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING

John 3:14-21

Coach McNeill

MESSAGE

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

* HYMN #315

Were You There?

OFFERING & GIFT OF MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn #815

*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN #311

Hallelujah, What a Savior!

BENEDICTION

* Please stand as able

Welcome to Sunnyside today. Your presence is a gift unto the Lord!

- Happy Birthday: Earl Hinson! (today), Janie Johnson! (tomorrow), Maggie Tate! (3/15)
- The flowers today are given to the glory of by Barbara and Gwin Carter.
- Thanks for the refreshments, Maggie Tate!
- Please place stickers and other non-candy things in the basket in the foyer to help put in the Easter Eggs this year.
- Come study some of the best Psalms ever 7pm in the fellowship hall.
- Prayer & a Biscuit meets 7:30am Mondays in the Fellowship Hall.
- Pres. Women Circle meets in the parlor Thursday at 11am this week.
- Thursday's at Linda's house 3pm discusses aspects of grief and emotions in our daily life and spiritual journey. New faces always welcome!
- The Food Pantry continues to expand to help new people in need. We can use up to 6-7 volunteers. Monetary donations can go in the wooden box.
- Thanks for supporting the local and greater church! Your offering today will help the PC(USA) and Sunnyside continue to be a beacon of light in the community. Last week we received \$1,476.00 for the general offering. Johnnie & Sue Evans and Brian & Anne Bolton made a donation in memory of Earl Hairr.

Acolyte: Catherine Bolton **Greeters:** Anne & Catherine Bolton

Ushers: Gwin Carter, Stanley Carter, John Schultz, Art Weeks