



A Message from Pastor Tripp Brogdon:

“And the Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your desire in scorched places and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail.” Isaiah 58:11

Along with a new calendar month comes a new liturgical season in the church: Lent. The season of Lent is a time of prayer, fasting, and self-examination in preparation for the celebration of the resurrection of the Lord at Easter. We deeply reflect on Jesus’ death and the reconciliation with God that is offered through the grace of Jesus Christ.

“Lent” comes from an old English word for springtime, and so it is no coincidence that this period of 40 days is a time for *growth* through spiritual discipline and commitment as we journey with Christ to the cross.

Thankfully, we, as a community of faith, are promised through the prophet Isaiah that we will be like a watered garden, guided and satisfied by God.

Author Alice Sebold once said, “I like gardening. It’s a place where I find myself when I need to lose myself.” So it is with us during Lent.

A garden is a delight. It requires hard work, but it also offers a release from the worries of the world. Faith and hope are part of building a garden, as are weeding, pruning, watching, and waiting.

How might we prune our lives to make them more fruitful for God’s service? In what ways do faith and hope help you bring your shortcomings to God? How might the fruits of our repentance inspire acts of grace toward one another?

Answering questions like these during Lent will stimulate growth within us, both individually and corporately.

I encourage you to engage with us as we take on this work, through ashes on our foreheads, daily devotions, group study, mission work, and of course, Sunday worship.

We have much to consider and much to do, but with God’s help, we will indeed grow... together.

Grace and peace,

Tripp

<u>St. Andrew Elders & Ministry Leaders 2022.....</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>
Clerk of Session.....	Stuart Strong
Building/Grounds	Bob Naumann
Communications & Outreach	Harold & Teresa Culbert
Education & Spiritual Formation.....	B. J. Breeding
Finance & Administration	Turner Matthews
Member Care.....	Faye Anderson & Jackie Naumann
Mission	Barbara Mouton
Treasurer	Philip Gilbert
Nominating	TBD
Worship	Linda Grissom
Comptroller	Tommy Gates



Betty Matthews	3/2	Don Breeding	3/21
Jan Foster	3/10	Shelley Vinzant	3/23
John Jordan	3/10	Rev. Brogdon	3/23
Harold Moore	3/14		
Marilyn Hinkle	3/17		

If you are not listed among the birthday or anniversary list, please contact the church office. We would like everyone recognized.



CARING HANDS MINISTRY
the 2nd and 4th Thursday
of each month at 1:00 PM

The Caring Hands group knits, crochets, and makes lap blankets for those going through hospice care. No supplies needed—we have plenty.



Presbyterian Women's Meeting

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

10:00 am in the fellowship hall.

Leader: Barb Mouton

Lesson: "Mary" (Mathews 1:18-2:23)

March Project: toiletries, socks, feminine hygiene products for the homeless women.

CCC FOOD PANTRY Collection the 1st Sunday of the month.



- Items Needed Most**
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| Grits/Oatmeal | Soup |
| Hamburger Helper | Crackers |
| Peanut Butter | Canned Greens |
| Canned Fruit | Pasta |
| Canned Veggies | Pasta Sauce |
| Dried Beans | Rice |

Please leave items in shopping cart.

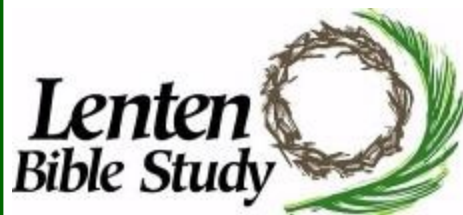


When Brother Martin died and went to heaven, he was met by St. Peter, who let him know that he needed 100 points to make it in the pearly gates. You tell me all the good things you've done, and I'll give you points according to your deeds. When you reach 100, I'll swing open the gates."

"Okay" Ted reported, "I was head usher at First Presbyterian Church for 50 years." "That's wonderful and worth 2 points" said Peter.

"I was married to the same woman for almost 65 years and never cheated on her." "Remarkable," declared Peter, "that's 3 more points."

Ted's eyes opened wide, and he yelled, THREE points! At this rate the only way I'll get into heaven is by the grace of God!" Peter replied, "Come on in!" Grace, Grace, God's Grace!



Join us on Wednesdays March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6 for a Lenten Bible Study, Lent in Plain Sight, by Jill J. Duffield at 10 am or 5:30p (both studies in-person).

Books will be available free for your personal use.



Ash Wednesday Service
March 2, 6:00 PM

Drive Through
7-9 am



DON'T FORGET TO
SPRING FORWARD

REMEMBER TO SET YOUR
CLOCKS **AHEAD 1 HOUR**
SATURDAY NIGHT

MARCH 12

The Shepherd and the Flock

Part of the responsibility of an Elder is to provide care for the congregation of St. Andrew sharing in joys, caring for each other, providing support in times of stress or need and any other life events. We are ready to provide support, care, prayer, smiles, and listening to our congregation. Please note your Elder group and let your Elder know of any need or concerns you might have.

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<p>Linda Grissom 256.355.6083 Barbara Allen 256.309.5990 Philip & Nelda Gilbert 256.350.5145 John & Joan Jordan 256.227.0561 Don & Shelia Koza 256.686.3657 Parker Vandine 256.606.3090 Shelley & Robert Vinzant 256.763.4890</p>	<p>Turner Matthews 256.350.0374 Sandy Baldwin 256.302.0821 Amy Burks 256.566.9999 Bob & Connie Lawton 256.345.9074 Leslie Matthews 256.318.2035 John & Shelly Shull (Jacob) 256.340.9560 W.C. & Cerese Sweeley 256.351.1441</p>
<p>Harold Culbert 256.350.0664 Dave & Cheryl Ellerbe 256.686.0800 Tom & Nellie Gates 256.227.5939 Hank & Linda Livingston 256.350.1597 Joanne Wheat 256.340.9616 Lee & Addi Zeiher* 256.476.6093</p>	<p>Barb Mouton 256.476.6094 John & Betty Brandon 256.355.7126 Don & Jan Foster 256.353.2165 Tom & Bobbie Meier 256.350.0088 Kayse Sharpe 256.345.0915 Fate & Linda Webster 256.303.4795</p>
<p>Bob Naumann 256.366.3342 Jeff Gilbreath 334.750.4230 George Hilleary 256.318.1638 Dan & Carol Watt 256.221.5490 Jimmy Wright 256.350.0032 Barb Wyle 256.280.6025</p>	<p>Stu Strong 256.350.3694 Doug & Jean Coshow 256.340.1836 Bill & Jamie Heim 256.651.1329 Mavis Stephens 256.353.1228 Jeremy Stephens 256.758.8459 Jimmy & Debbie Simmons 813.727.4369</p>



I am in the process of updating our church directory. Please check your hard copy or the Instant Church Directory App to make sure information is correct. If you have a change in your information, please call or email me as soon as possible. I would like to have the new directory out by March 15.



We will collect canned and boxed food for Easter dinners to give to the CCC for distribution beginning Sunday, March 13. Food may be placed on the Donation Table by the Fellowship Hall. Please bring 1 large can or 2 small cans. Potatoes and dessert, should be boxed items, one per dinner. We plan to provide 30 dinners this year. The Mission Committee will be providing the ham. Items needed:

Canned Corn

Canned Beans

Canned Fruit

Boxed Potatoes

Canned Yams

Dessert Mix (if you bring a cake, bring a frosting)

Donations for Hams may be left in the church office or put in the offering, marked "Ham." Deadline for contributing is Sunday, April 10.



CATS (Carefree Adults Travel Society) NEWS

It's time to mark your calendars for our 2022 events!

Tuesday, April 26—Huntsville Botanical Gardens and lunch
Featured at the Garden is "Stickwork" by Patrick Dougherty.
Follow this link for more information <https://hsvbg.org/stickwork>
Meet at church at 9:30 am or at the Gardens at 10:00 am
Cost is \$15 plus tax
Lunch at Baumhowers Victory Grill <https://baumhowers.com/>

Monday, July 25—Cook's Museum and lunch. Cost is \$18.53 pp for museum

September—Lunch outing after worship service, Freight House, Hartselle

Aug/Sept—Trash Panda Ball Game

Final arrangements will be announced for future events when we are closer to the dates.

We hope you will join us for this fellowship time.

Many Thanks, WC Sweeley



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MARCH Worship Leaders

March	6	13	20	27
Liturgists	Nellie Gates	Linda Grissom	Harold Culbert	Stu Strong
Ushers	Sylvia Newbill Betty Matthews	Cerese Sweeley Fate Webster	Don Foster Dave Ellerbe	Bob and Jackie Naumann



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 10 am PW	2 Ash Wednesday drive thru 7-9am Service 6:00 pm	3 12-1p DAR	4	5
6 Communion 1st Sun of Lent	7	8	9 10am and 5:30 pm Lent Study	10 1 pm Caring Hands	11	12
13 2nd Sun of Lent	14	15	16 10am and 5:30 pm Lent Study 2p Session Mtg.	17	18	19
20 3rd Sun of Lent	21	22	23 10am and 5:30 pm Lent Study	24 1p Caring Hands	25	26
27 4th Sun of Lent	28	29	30 10am and 5:30 pm Lent Study	31 		