

### Birthdays

March 23—Billy Willard, March 25—Emily Anderson,  
March 25—Teresa Hodges, March 25—Sue McGuire,  
March 25—Ethan Tilley

### Mark your calendar!

Sunday, April 9—Palm Sunday

Thursday—April 13, 7:00 p.m.—Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, April 14—Good Friday Requiem—  
Greensboro or Winston-Salem

Sunday—April 16 Easter Sunrise Service—Delta UMC

10:50 Easter Worship

**BUILDING DISCUSSION:** On March 28 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. there will be a follow up to this mornings presentation with the design team to provide the opportunity to ask questions and voice opinions concerning the proposed expansion of the SHUMC facility.

**UMCOR SUNDAY:** Next Sunday, March 26, United Methodists world-wide will be collecting a special offering that will go to support the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR.) At Snow Hill everyone will have the opportunity to support UMCOR at the end of the service. Please be prepared for this additional offering. UMCOR is currently serving the people impacted by fall's flooding in North and South Carolina in addition to other projects around the world

**SWEAT TO SERVE**—Next week we will be cleaning up our facility for Easter and other spring activities. On Wednesday and Thursday we will be cleaning and sealing the Sanctuary floor. On Tuesday, help is needed with priming and painting the rails on the ramp leading up to the Sanctuary. On our main work day, Saturday we will be: trimming grass around the headstones and foot stones in the cemetery, cleaning the pews and wood work in the Sanctuary, deep cleaning restrooms and Sunday School classrooms, cleaning baseboards and doors.

**NORTHERN STOKES FOOD PANTRY**—The Northern Stokes Food Pantry distributes food to those in need on the first and third Thursday of every month. They always need help—for an hour, for half a day or for the full day. For further information please talk to Joel Moorefield or Tommy Wagoner.

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### Church Calendar

Today	5:30 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal—Choir Room
Tuesday, March 21	9:00—1:00	Terrific Tuesdays Together
Wednesday, March 22	6:30—8:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	8:00 a.m.	UMM transport food from Second Harvest Food Bank to Northern Stokes Food Pantry
	6:00 p.m.	Snacks—Choir Room
	6:00—7:15 p.m.	Children's Church—Fellowship Hall
	6:15 p.m.	<b>He Chose the Nails</b> —small group study—Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
Saturday, March 25	9:00—1:00 p.m.	Sweat to Serve
Sunday, March 26	9:30 a.m.	Food and Fellowship— Fellowship Hall
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Assembly
	9:50 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:50 a.m.	Worship
	5:30 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, March 28	1:00—8:00 p.m.	Pictorial Directory Pictures— Fellowship Hall
	6:30—8:30 p.m.	Building Follow-up Meeting
Wednesday, March 29	6:30—8:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	1:00—8:00 p.m.	Pictorial Directory Pictures— Fellowship Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Snacks—Choir Room
	6:15 p.m.	<b>He Chose the Nails</b> — small group Lenten study, Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

### Announcements

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**—Next Tuesday (March 28) and Wednesday (March 29) between 1:00 and 8:00 p.m., the photographer will be here to take family and individual pictures for our new church pictorial directory. Please see Judy Fain to set up your appointment

If you have any pictures of church activities that you have taken since the last directory we would love to see them and possibly include them in the new directory. Please give them, in an envelope with your name on the front, to Pastor Pat.

**LENTEN SPIRITUAL GROWTH STUDY**—Enrich your observance of Lent through this study of Max Lucado's **He Chose the Nails**. This five week study began on Wednesday, March 8, it's not too late to join in. *Linger on the hill of Calvary. Rub a finger on the timber and press a nail into your hand. Taste the tinge of cheap wine and feel the scrape of a thorn on your brow. Allow the tools of torture to tell their story. Listen as they tell you what God did to win your heart.*

All sessions will be held in the Sanctuary from 6:15—7:25.

## SNOW HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



FOLLOW JESUS, MAKE DISCIPLES,  
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MARCH 19, 2017

REV. DR. PATRICIA SPICER  
PASTOR

**SNOW HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
IN WORSHIP**

Sunday, March 19, 2017

Liturgical Color—Purple

*Third Sunday in Lent*

WORSHIP SERIES: Are You Ready For A Change?

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME** We welcome all who have gathered to worship this morning. We ask visitors to please complete a visitor card, located in the pew card holder, and drop it into the offering plate.

† **GREETING OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

*Bless be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love, the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

**ENTRANCE**

*May we all be in a spirit of prayer as we prepare our hearts and minds to enter into worship as the Word of God and light of Christ come into the Sanctuary.*

**PRELUDE**

**CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**INTROIT** *Change My Heart, Oh God* Espinosa

† **CALL TO WORSHIP** Liturgist—Tim Wilson

(Leader) O come, let us sing to our God and make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

*(All) We lift our hearts and voices in joy and thanksgiving for being here together in the presence of our beloved God.*

Come, let us worship this amazing God, for we belong to God.

*We will listen for God's word and live in the hope it inspires.*

† **OPENING HYMN** *Great is Thy Faithfulness* No. 140

† **COLLECT**

*Lord God, The Great I Am, you are the living water. As we worship you this day show us who we are: channels of your love and vessels of your grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**PROCLAMATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Exodus 3: 12—15

*This is the word of God for the people of God.*

*Thanks be to God*

**LENTEN WREATH** *God Never Changes* Laura Wilson

**PSALTER READING** Psalm 102 (Selected verses)

*Here ends the reading of the Psalter. Amen.*

**ANTHEM** *More Like You* Brown

† **GOSPEL READING** John 12: 44—50

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.*

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**SERMON** *Everything Changes* Dr. Spicer

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Psalm 23

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. <sup>2</sup>He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. <sup>3</sup>He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. <sup>4</sup>Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. <sup>5</sup>Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. <sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

**CONCERNS FOR OTHERS**

**PRAYERS FOR OTHERS**

Lord in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.*

**THANKSGIVING TO GOD THROUGH TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

† **THE DOXOLOGY** No. 95

*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*

**SENDING FORTH**

† **CLOSING HYMN** *The Summons* (On Screen)

*Will you come and follow Me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let My love be shown will you let My name be known,  
Will you let My life be grown in you and you in Me*

*Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let Me answer prayer in you and you in Me?*

*Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen,  
And admit to what I mean in you and you in Me?*

*Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
Though My sight and touch and sound In you and you in Me?*

*Lord, Your summons echoes true when You but call my name?  
Let me turn and follow You and never be the same.  
In Your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in You and You in me.*

† **BENEDICTION**

† **POSTLUDE**

*Please remain standing as the Light goes out into the world.  
Our service of worship has ended, let our worship through service begin.*

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† *Please stand as you are able*

*Participating in today's service:*

*Tim Wilson—Liturgist, Laura Wilson—Reader, Cindy Roberts—Choir  
Director, Jennifer Amos—Piano, Keith Bullin—Organ*