

 **PERSEVERANCE CHRISTIAN CHURCH** 

~Disciples of Christ~
 ~Rev. Donna Webster ~
 April 19, 2026

Pianist.....Sue W. Palmer

Prelude

(The prelude is a musical curtain drawn between the cares of the world and us. Let these moments prepare us for worship by opening our hearts to God's presence as we meditate.)

Lighting of the Candles

GATHERING THE PEOPLE OF GOD

- *Call to Worship.....“How Great Thou Art”.....147
- *Invocation.....Rachel Moore
- *Opening Hymn.....“For The Beauty of the Earth”.....793
- *The Blessing of Soil.....Rachel Moore

PRAYING TO GOD

- Welcome and Announcement.....Rachel Moore
- Prayer Concerns.....Rachel Moore
- Meditation and Morning Prayer.....Rev. Webster

COMMUNING WITH GOD

- Invitation to Communion.....Rev. Webster
- Communion Hymn.....“In Remembrance”.....461
- Sharing of the Bread & Cup.....*Everyone is welcome at the Lord's table we partake together after all are served.*

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

- Offertory Prayer.....Rachel Moore
- Offering
- *Doxology.....*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

LISTENING TO GOD

- Special Music.....Praise Choir
- Scripture.....Genesis 2:15 & Matthew 25:14-30
- Message.....“This is My Father's World”Rev. Webster

SENDING FORTH THE PEOPLE OF GOD

- *Hymn of Invitation..... “This Is My Father's World”.....143
- *Sending Forth.....Rev. Webster
- *Benediction



Welcome to Perseverance Christian Church on this **THIRD** Sunday in **APRIL!** We provide a nursery for children ages four and younger; it and the restrooms are located in the hallway behind the sanctuary's left and right doors. Additionally, there is a chairlift for anyone in need, and it may be accessed to the left door of the men's restroom. *We are live-streaming our Worship Service to reach those unable to attend in person. Recording of services can be found on our website, www.perseverancecce.org, on our PCC mobile app, or on our Facebook page.* Come back and worship with us again!

Board Member assigned to assist the financial secretary in counting the offering are **Dickie Jeter** today and **Deborah Craven** next Sunday.

Announcements:

TODAY: Praise Choir 6 PM

WEDNESDAY: No Bible Study

WORSHIP COMMITTEE – The Worship Committee will meet after Church on Sunday, April 26th.

PENNY JAR – All donations in April will be designated for two of our laity to attend this year's mission trip to Western North Carolina. This goes towards their registration fee to the VA region.

BAPTISMAL CLASS – A sign-up sheet has been placed in the Superintendent's office, with a date to be determined. Connie Wilkinson will teach the class. Thanks to the Christian Education Committee for this opportunity.

The Membership Committee is doing a **"Teddy Bear Ministry."** We need new or gently used teddy bears. They can be any color. A card will be attached to each bear with these words. *"Dear Friend, I'm just a teddy bear, it's true, but I have a message for you. I've been to church and sat in a pew; I've been hugged and squeezed by quite a few. I've bowed my head when they said a prayer; I've been charged with love by those who care. And now I've come to live with you, to bring you joy when you're blue. To let you know that others care and want to help your burdens bear. So, keep me close and squeeze me tight and know God's love helps make things right. Love from your friends at Perseverance Christian Church."* Once the bears are collected and tagged, they will be placed throughout the pews. Anytime you visit someone who needs a little encouragement, please select any bear and take it to those you love to keep.

Prayer List:

- ◆ Alice Carol Maitland
- ◆ Barbara Green
- ◆ Betty Cox
- ◆ Billy Wilkinson
- ◆ Blair Liggett
- ◆ Bobby & Donna Kay Northington
- ◆ Bruce & Voni Thompson
- ◆ Carol Watson
- ◆ Cookie Daniel
- ◆ Danny & Edna Moore
- ◆ David & Beverley Hite
- ◆ Debra Crenshaw
- ◆ Dennis Gibbs
- ◆ Eddie Callahan
- ◆ Edward & Elsie Almand
- ◆ Ercell McDowell
- ◆ Heather Wallace
- ◆ James & Gayle Edmonds
- ◆ Jane Browder
- ◆ Jeff & Tammy Caldwell
- ◆ Jessie Mae Maddox
- ◆ John Ragsdale
- ◆ Johnny Moore
- ◆ Kathy Pegram
- ◆ Kenneth Slaughter
- ◆ Larry Way
- ◆ Mark Walsh
- ◆ Nick Whisenhunt
- ◆ Pamela James
- ◆ Paul Willis
- ◆ Paula Jo Morgan
- ◆ Ray Covington
- ◆ Rev. Earl Pinchbeck
- ◆ Rev. Kelsey Creech Sherazi
- ◆ Richard Maddox
- ◆ Roger Baily
- ◆ Rose Jenkins
- ◆ Sue Perkins
- ◆ Vincent Coley
- ◆ Virginia Chavis

- ◆ Wayne Maton
- ◆ Our Leaders and Troops

Family of:

- ◆ Frances Watson
- ◆ Joe Watson
- ◆ Julie Lafoon
- ◆ Luby Chandler
- ◆ Mike Rawlings
- ◆ Rober Leland “Hank” Williams