



# The Messenger

Perseverance Christian Church Newsletter

Celebrating 198 Years of Ministry

March 2026

Dear Church Family,

Many years ago, when I was about 25 years old, I was asked to participate in a Maundy Thursday service and I was given this scripture to read.

“Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” (Matthew 27:46).

I ran to my local library to find an audio version of the bible to practice the Hebrew and Aramaic. Participation in worship is a meaningful spiritual practice. The time and effort we give in service to our Lord remains with us forever. I am so grateful for all the ways in which you volunteer your time and make sacrifices on behalf of our shared faith in Christ who calls us to willingly serve as He served us when He was present among the people.

My prayer is that this Lenten season will be meaningful for all of us, no matter our age, and no matter our story.

In Hope,  
Rev. Webster

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Join us for Wednesday night Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. The new study is entitled “The Purpose Driven Life.”

Questions? Contact Rev. Webster at 270-963-8610.



### Special Services:

#### A Journey of Faith and Renewal

Experience the depth of God’s love through Palm Sunday and our Holy Week services:

**Palm Sunday -March 29th–** Celebrate Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem as we lift our voices in praise and prepare our hearts for the journey to the cross and the empty tomb. We will have food and our Easter Egg hunt immediately following the service.

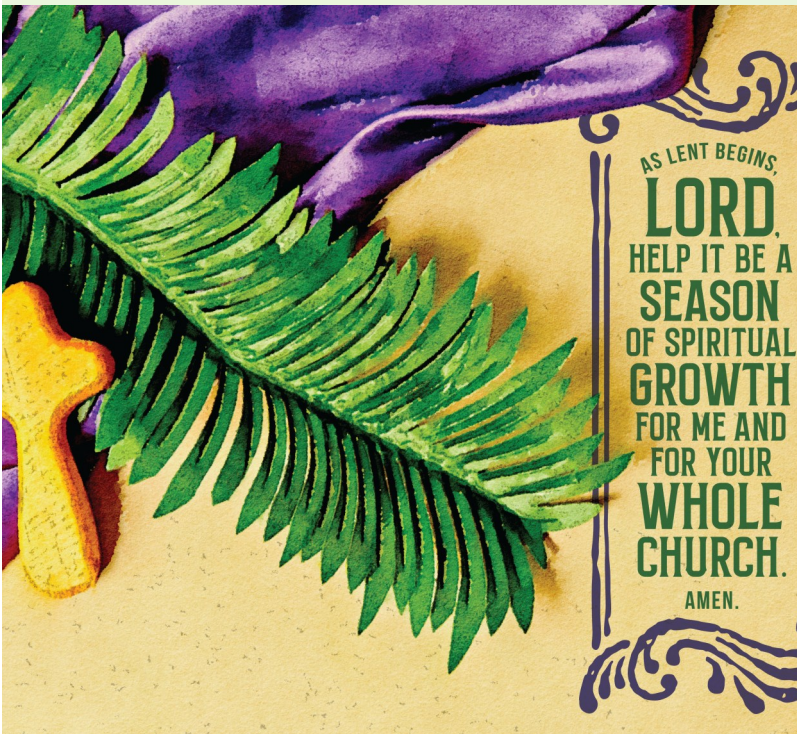
#### Maundy Thursday Service – April 2, 2026 – 7 PM

Join us for a meaningful Maundy Thursday service as we remember the Last Supper and the love of Christ. The evening will include a Last Supper Reenactment, Service of Shadows, and Holy Communion by intinction. We will conclude with a silent candlelight exit, leaving in quiet reflection as we prepare our hearts for Good Friday and Easter. All are welcome to share in this sacred night.

#### Good Friday Prayer Opportunity – April 3, 2026 – 9

**AM to 5 PM**-On Good Friday, we invite you to come and reflect on this holy day as we remember the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. The Stations of the Cross will be set up throughout the sanctuary, offering a self-guided time of prayer, reflection, and meditation. The church will be open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and you are welcome to come and go as you are able. All are welcome to enter this sacred time of remembrance.

**Easter Sunday – April 5– 6:30 a.m. (sunrise) and 11:00 a.m.** Rejoice in the victory of the Resurrection! Worship with us as we celebrate the risen Lord. Our sunrise service will be held at the pond at the Parsonage-weather permitting.



Alice Carol Maitland, Bobby Northington, Bruce and Voni Thompson , Cookie Daniel, Danny and Edna Moore, David and Beverley Hite, Eddie Callahan, Edward and Elsie Almand Jane Browder, John Ragsdale, Johnny Moore, Kathy Pegrarn Larry Way, Nick Whisenhunt, Pamela James, Paul Willis Richard Maddox, Rose Jenkins, Sue Perkins, Vincent Coley Wayne Mafon, Our troops, Leaders of All Nations, Nancy Wainwright, Hailee Whitby on a mission trip , Jay Hamlett Jessie Mae Maddox, Barbara Greene, Tracey Hadley, Blaire Liggett, Cynthia Arthur, Julie Lafoon, Paula Jo Morgan, Family of Haynie Matthews

# March 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> SS @ 10 Worship @11 Choir Practice @ 6	2	3	<b>4</b> Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<b>5</b> Board Meeting @7	6	<b>7</b> Ruritan Sheep Stew
<b>8</b> SS @ 10 Worship @11 Choir Practice @ 6 Daylight Savings Begins After Prom Offering	9	10	<b>11</b> Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	12	13	14
<b>15</b> SS @ 10 Worship @11 Choir Practice @ 6 After Prom Offering	16	17	<b>18</b> Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	19	20	21
<b>22</b> SS @ 10 Worship @11 Choir Practice @ 6 Minute for Mission	23	24	<b>25</b> Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	26	27	28
<b>29</b> SS @ 10 Worship @11 PALM SUNDAY Choir Practice @ 6 Lunch & Easter Egg Hunt Special Easter Offering	30	31				



March 2-Eli Parrish  
 March 5-Pat Anderson  
 March 7-Macon Gwaltney  
 March 10-James Edmonds, Trudy  
 Dunnigan, Johnny Moore  
 March 17-Heidi Hertz, Meredith Robbins  
 March 19-Mike Greene  
 March 21-Angel Craven, Mike Craven,  
 Stephanie Hankley  
 March 24-Bodie Fenwick  
 March 25-Julie Dalton  
 March 26-Hannah Lamb  
 March 27-Mary Craven  
 March 28-Kathy Pegram  
 March 29-Taylor Robbins, Steven Lamb  
 March 30-Liz Parrish  
 March 31-Walker Daniel, William  
 Covington

### Take the One Year Challenge! March Reading Plan

March 1 – Leviticus 1  
 March 2 – Leviticus 2  
 March 3 – Leviticus 3  
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 March 27 – Leviticus 27



These cheerful "palm trees" make a  
 right reminder of the celebration that  
 greeted Jesus as he entered Jerusalem

#### What you need:

- Bananas (for the tree trunks)
- Kiwis or green grapes (for the palm leaves)
- Mandarin oranges (for the ground)



#### What you do:

1. Slice bananas in half lengthwise and place vertically on a plate.
2. Arrange kiwi slices or grapes at the top to form palm fronds.
3. Add oranges at the base.
4. Serve immediately or chill until ready to serve.

#### Scripture Tie-In:

"Blessed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord!"  
 —Matthew 21:9 (NIV)

#### 30 Days of Prayer for March

March 1 -Scripture: Psalm 51:10  
 March 2 -Scripture: Proverbs 3:5–6  
 March 3 – Scripture: 1 John 1:9  
 March 4 – Scripture: Romans 12:1  
 March 5 – Scripture: Matthew 6:33  
 March 6 – Scripture: 2 Corinthians 12:9  
 March 7 – Scripture: Philippians 2:3–4  
 March 8 – Scripture: Psalm 23:1  
 March 9 – Scripture: Philippians 4:6–7  
 March 10 – Scripture: 1 John 1:7  
 March 11 – Scripture: Psalm 119:105  
 March 12 – Scripture: James 1:5  
 March 13 – Scripture: John 13:34–35  
 March 14 – Scripture: 2 Timothy 1:7  
 March 15 – Scripture: John 15:4  
 March 16 – Scripture: Ephesians 4:32  
 March 17 – Scripture: Psalm 51:12  
 March 18 – Scripture: James 1:2–3  
 March 19 – Scripture: Lamentations 3:22–23  
 March 20 – Scripture: Micah 6:8  
 March 21 – Scripture: Romans 12:2  
 March 22 – Scripture: Luke 9:23  
 March 23 – Scripture: Psalm 46:1  
 March 24 – Scripture: Galatians 5:22–23  
 March 25 – Scripture: Philippians 2:5  
 March 26 – Scripture: Hebrews 4:16  
 March 27 – Scripture: Matthew 5:14  
 March 28 – Scripture: Hebrews 12:1  
 March 29 – Scripture: Mark 10:45  
 March 30 – Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3

#### EASTER LILY OR HYDRANGEA

If you would like to order an Easter Lily or Hydrangea in Memory or in Honor of someone, please complete the form on our website. There will also be paper order forms in the Superintendent's office. The flowers will be placed in the church sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Orders are due to Yvonne Moore no later than Sunday, March 22, 2026. Please make checks payable to Perseverance Christian Church or pay through our online giving link at <https://perseverancecc.org/easter>





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**MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS**

**In Memory of Carolyn Moore**  
by Sharon Lyles

**In Honor of Deborah Craven**  
by Louise Chandler

The only trouble with Easter coming soon is that we have to walk through a graveyard to get there.  
—Barbara Brown Taylor

**CEMETERY**

Donations to help cover costs are appreciated. Donations can be sent to Perseverance Christian Church, P.O. Box 157, Dundas, VA 23938.

If you would like to send an offering to Perseverance, please send it to Perseverance Christian Church, P.O. Box 157, Dundas, VA 23938. or give online at [Perseverance Christian Church's website](#)