

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

- **Call to Worship**  
Let us join our voices with the all the saints in praise to God.  
**We are here today, aspiring to claim the life of faith with courage.**  
We are ready to worship and give thanks.  
**In our worship, we share God’s message with the world.**
- **Invocation**
- **Sounds of Faith:** #664 - Morning Has Broken
- **Prayer of Confession**  
Jesus knows our every weakness! Let us take our weaknesses to the Lord in prayer!  
**O Lord, please hear our prayer.**  
**As the ministry of Jesus began after a season of prayer, so does ours.**  
**We give thanks for all you have given us.**  
**But our hearts break because so often we have failed to obey your call.**  
**We have failed to share the love of Christ with those around us.**  
**Forgive us, Lord. Help us to heed your call to spread the gospel to the world. Amen.**  
We are saved by grace in Christ! If God is for us, who can be against us?  
Let us take heart, and know that our sins are forgiven.
- **Congregational Response:** #587 - Celtic Alleluia

Children’s Message: Zora Mallory

Prayer of Illumination

**Scripture Reading:** Jeremiah 31:31-34, Liturgist ~ Carol Battle  
*The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the*

*LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God.***

**Choir Anthem:** "Prayer of St. Patrick", John Rutter

Christ be with me, Christ within me  
Christ behind me, Christ before me  
Christ beside me, Christ to win me  
Christ to comfort and restore me

Christ above me, Christ beneath me  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger  
Christ in hearts of all that love me  
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger

**Scripture Reading:** John 12:20-26

*Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God.***

**Meditation:** Dr. Paul Casner

- **Sounds of Hope:** INSERT – Unless a Grain of Wheat (verses 1-3 only)
- **Affirmation of Faith**  
Life is in a seed, even if it seems dead. Let us follow Jesus and trust that by losing our lives in love, we gain new life for ourselves and others! We can be the seeds for the new world of God’s kingdom! Amen.

Giving and Offertory

- **Doxology**

**Pastoral Prayers, the Lord’s Prayer:**

... **Our Father** who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

• **Sounds of Love:** #692 - Spirit, Open My Heart

• **Benediction**

**Postlude**

\*\*The (●) dot in the order of worship invites you to stand as you are able. Text in **bold** indicates unison reading.



(No Logos/Agape on 3/20, 3/27 due to Spring Break and Holy Week).

**March 18** – Bluegrass Slow Jam, 7pm (community event)

**March 24** – Security Team Meeting following the morning service

**March 27** – Book Group, 1:30pm

**March 28** – Maundy Thursday (soup & salad dinner at 6pm, service at 6:45pm)

**March 29** – Good Friday Drama & Music Service, 6:30pm

**March 31** – Easter, 10:15am (Easter egg hunt following the service)

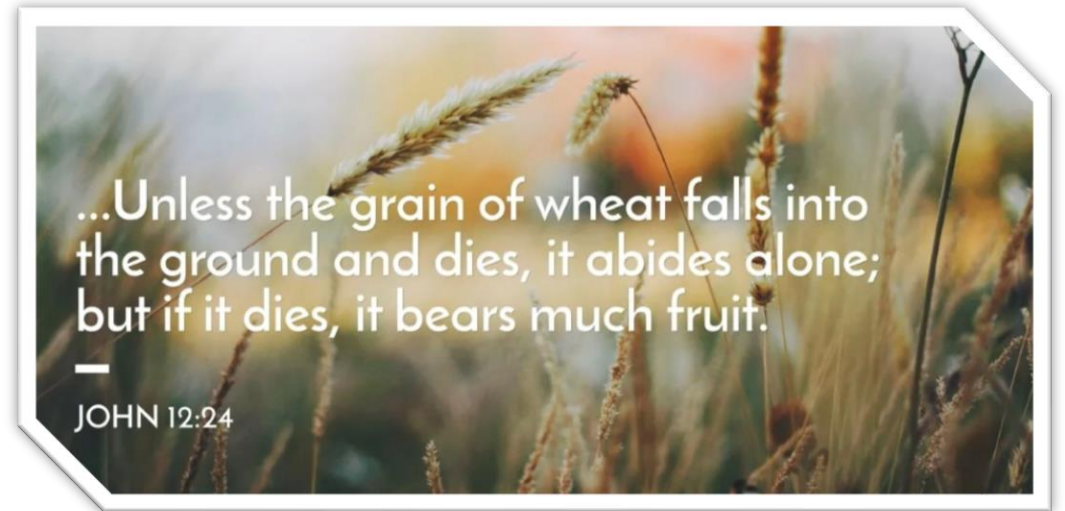
**Pastoral Care Team:** Chairs - Tina O'Connor and Joy Roark; Members - Velma Bartley, Janet Bengé, Melanie Caskey, Malee Cherry, Rose Christian, Ann Cox, Charlene Dodson, Diane Ingram, Grace Lewis, Ann Marie McFarland, Betty Polk, Leanne Terry, Jim & Ruth White, Kim Yearwood, Jill York

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2. Online at [donelsonpres.org](http://donelsonpres.org) – Click the “Giving” tab on the homepage
3. Text DPCGIVE and any amount to 73256

# Donelson Presbyterian Church

*Sharing the Love of Christ*



We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. If you are a guest at Donelson Presbyterian Church, we encourage you to fill out a yellow visitor card which you will find in the pew.

**March 17, 2024**  
*Fifth Sunday in Lent*

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