

THIS WEEK AT SPC:

February 5 - 18, 2023

Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar (FH and Zoom):

Discussion of Brian McLaren's *Do I Stay Christian?*
A Guide for the Doubters, Disappointed and Disillusioned.

TODAY, 12:15 p.m. (Fellowship Hall):

Welcome reception for Interim Choir Director Steve Grives

TODAY, 12:30 p.m. New Member Class (Pastor's Office):

For anyone interested in exploring membership at SPC.

TODAY Sunday, 12:30 p.m. Youth Group (Upstairs)

TODAY Sunday, 4:00 p.m. Hymn Sing (Sanctuary)

All are welcome; no singing expertise is necessary.

TODAY, 5:00 p.m. Community Meal (Zion Episcopal):

Hot food can be dropped off in the kitchen between 3:45 - 4:15 pm
on Sunday. Leave perishable items in SPC refrigerator.

Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Teach the Preacher (Zoom):

Share your questions and reflections on
how the week's Lesson speaks to your spiritual journey.

Wednesday, 10:30 a.m., Exploring Spiritual Practices (Zoom)

The focus will be on "More Zen Tales of Truth,"
with an additional talk on "Mind Traps." All adults welcome!

Arise Your Light Is Come!

Connection and Protection in the Light of Love

January 8 - February 19, 2023

As the light of hope emerges from the comfort of darkness,
our worship calls us to rekindle the vision
of caring, inclusive community.

February 5 (Communion Sunday): An Upright Light

February 12 (SouperBowl): Then and Now

February 19 (Transfiguration Sunday / Palms to Ashes):

Guest Preacher, Rev. Joel Blunk

Worship Planning Team: Tim Artlip, Diana Eldridge,

Ellie Lloyd, Debbie Romano, Rie Wilson

Sunday, February 12, SouperBowl Sunday (Sanctuary):

Support the SPC youth in a SouperBowl fundraiser
to support local mission projects that address hunger

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY BEGINS! (Gospel of Luke)

Tuesday, February 14, 10:30 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

led by Harry Daniel, retired PC(USA) pastor and biblical scholar

Sunday, February 19, noon, Palms to Ashes (Front Steps):

The second annual SPC "Palms to Ashes" Ceremony invites the
congregation to recess from the 11am worship service to the front
steps of the church building to support our children and youth
transforming last year's palms to this year's ashes.

Eucharistic Prayer

Darkness covered the deep waters

And God said, Let there be light!

And there was light.

The LORD went in front of them

in a pillar of cloud by day,
to lead them along the way,

*and in a pillar of fire by night,
to give them light.*

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet,
the people sang,
and a light unto my path.

*The LORD is my light and my salvation,
the people still sing; whom shall I fear?*

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light,
says the prophet.

Those who lived in a land of deep darkness,
on them light has shined.

*Your light shall break forth like the dawn,
the prophet says,
and your healing shall spring up quickly.*

Arise, shine, for your light has come!

You are the light of the world!

Let your light shine before others,
so that they may see your good works
and give glory to your Abba God in heaven.

*I am the light of the world, Jesus says,
Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness
but will have the light of life.*

In the light of his life,
Jesus takes bread and blesses it,
breaks it and gives it,
that the light of that life
might live forever through us.

*In the light of his love,
Jesus takes wine and blesses it,
pouring one shared cup,
as a common commitment to hope.*

For it is the God who said,
“Light will shine out of darkness,”
who has shone in our hearts.

*The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness did not overcome it.*