## THIS WEEK AT SPC: March 19 – 25, 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.* 

Monday, 6:30 p.m., Eastern Panhandle Youth Alliance (FH): A community of support for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, non-binary, questioning, queer, intersex, asexual, two-spirit teens and their allies.

Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) All voices welcome! Make a joyful noise!

<u>Wednesdays in Lent, 7:00 p.m., MidWeek Lenten Series</u> This Week Hosted by New Street United Methodist Church This Week's Theme: In Community with those on the Margins This Week's Preacher: Fr. G.T. Schramm, Trinity Episcopal

Friday, noon, A Gathering Space for Prayer (Zoom): Bring any of your own joys and concerns, but this is not required

# "BREAKING THE SILENCE" End of Life Planning Seminar,

Saturday, March 25, 9:00 a.m. – noon, Fellowship Hall. The seminar explores the many decisions one sometimes puts off until it's too late concerning questions our loved ones might have after we die. The seminar will include several speakers covering the topics of Financial Planning, Hospice Services, Funeral Arrangements and Funeral/Memorial Services. Please join us.

Saturday, 1 p.m., Yarns and Threads (Fellowship Hall): For those interested in knitting prayer shawls and/or creating community.

# **Brought Forth in Love** SPC Worship Through the Season of Lent February 22 – April 7

Our journey through Lent this year invites us to dwell in our "birthright of love" as we wrestle with the human condition: choices and consequences, fear and trust, ignorance and wisdom, heartache and joy.

#### March 26: If These Bones Could Talk

Youth Reflections on WV Fairness

Holy Week at SPC:

## PROCESSION OF THE PALMS, Sunday, April 2,

gather at 10:50am, front steps. Bring your own homegrown branches or pick up a palm branch at the church for a congregation-wide Procession of the Palms during 11am worship. Especially for children but open to all ages.

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION, Thursday, April 6, 7pm.

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY - GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER VIGIL, Thursday, April 6, 8pm through Friday, April 7, noon. Sign up for thirty minute increments for prayer and meditation in the SPC sanctuary.

Worship Planning Team: David Hatchett, Perry Jamieson, Patti McCarthy, Diana Patterson, Debbie Romano.

## Children and Youth In Worship at SPC 11 a.m. Service

Children of all ages are joyfully welcome in all aspects of worship life.

Parents of <u>children younger than 5</u> may wish to utilize the nursey upstairs.

<u>Children ages 5 through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade</u> are invited to participate in **First Pew** time of conversation with the Pastor and then proceed to **Sunday Studio upstairs**, facilitated by a Children's Ministry volunteer. On some Sundays, the children return to the sanctuary at the end of the service to share what they have learned. When children do not return to the sanctuary, they may be picked up from the Sunday Studio room upstairs.

<u>Youth in Grades 6 – 12</u> are encouraged to worship in the sanctuary. **Youth Group** generally meets after worship every other Sunday.

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

Our Soul-Affirming God is with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts We lift them to the God who celebrates our Soul. Let us give thanks to the God at the Center of our Soul All praise! All wonder! All glory!

> Great is the mystery of faith. *The Soulful Self has died. The Soulful Self is risen. The Soulful Self will come again.*

Our \*Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the \*kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

\*Expansive language options: may substitute Creator/Parent/Mother for Father and kin-dom for kingdom