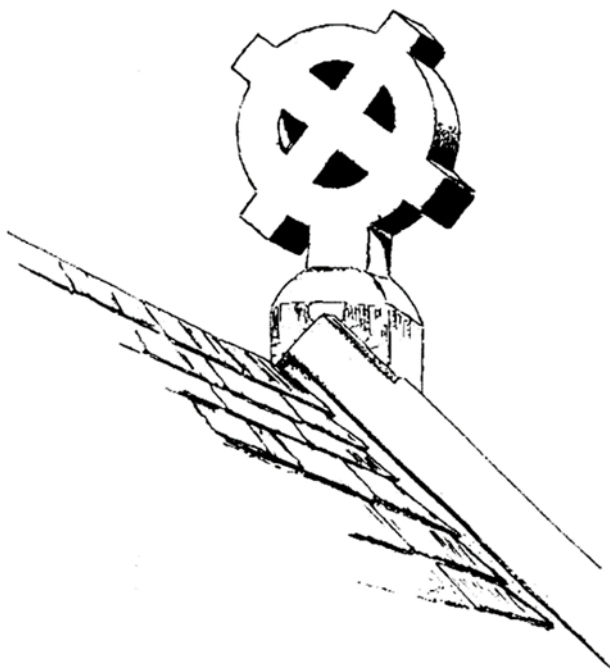


First Presbyterian Church
393 East Main Street
Spartanburg, SC 29302

Monday, December 1, 2025

Eleven O'clock in the Morning



*I am the resurrection and the life.
Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.*

– John 11:25-26

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection
Celebrating the Life of
Gary Thomas Poole
October 6, 1931 – November 23, 2025

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Alan F. Dyer

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

† HYMN 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS

Psalm 46:1-7
Psalm 30:4-5; 11-12
Psalm 23

SPECIAL MUSIC

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J.S. BACH

REMEMBRANCES

Rev. Bill Lancaster

MEDITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

**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;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

† HYMN 834

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

PRECIOUS LORD

† PRAYER OF COMMENDATION (unison)

Rev. Alan F. Dyer

**Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Gary.
Acknowledge, we humbly pray, a sheep of your own fold,
a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming.
Receive him into the arms of your mercy,
into the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and into the glorious company of the saints in light. Amen.**

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† RECESSIONAL

Now Thank We All Our God

J. S. BACH

† *Please rise in body or in spirit.*

The family is grateful for your prayers and support and invites you to greet them in the Perrin Room immediately following the service.

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Rev. Alan F. Dyer
Holt Andrews
Rev. Bill Lancaster
Pastors

Marcia Andrews
Organist

Mary Irwin
Peter Moore
Violin

Bruce Campbell
Piano

Chip and Karen Hill
Clarinet