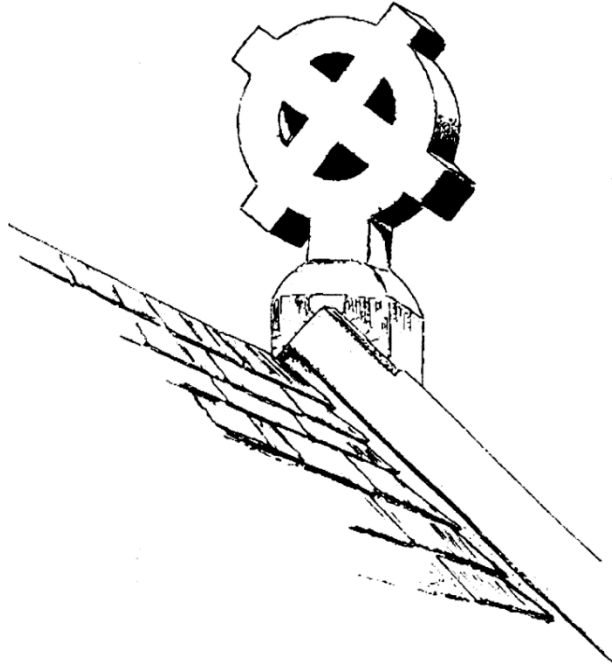


First Presbyterian Church  
393 East Main Street  
Spartanburg, SC 29302

Thursday, January 4, 2018  
Three o'clock in the Afternoon



*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

### Nancy Freeman Rainey

March 16, 1943 – December 22, 2017

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#### PRELUDE

† ENTRANCE OF THE FAMILY

#### CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalms 121*)

Rev. Joanne R. Hull

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills, from where will my help come?  
**People: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**  
Leader: He will not let your foot be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber.  
**People: He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**  
Leader: The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.  
**People: The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**  
Leader: The Lord will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life.  
**People: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in  
from this time on and forevermore.**

#### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

† HYMN 35

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

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#### READINGS FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

**Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

**Psalms 103 (selected verses)**

**Psalms 23 (unison)**

**The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;  
He makes me lie down in green pastures.  
He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul.  
He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

**Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I fear no evil; for thou art with me;  
thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.**

**Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
Thou annointest my head with oil, my cup overflows.**

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;  
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

REMEMBRANCES

Stanley W. Converse III

SOLO

*The Lord's Prayer*

Albert Hay Malotte

READINGS FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

Dr. Thomas E. Evans

**John 14:1-7  
Romans 8:35, 37-39**

MEDITATION

*“From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required;  
And from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded.”*  
Luke 12:48

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

† HYMN 611

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

HYMN TO JOY

† PRAYER OF COMMENDATION (unison)

**Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Nancy.  
Acknowledge, we humbly pray, a sheep of your own fold,  
a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming.  
Receive her into the arms of your mercy,  
into the blessed rest of everlasting peace  
where there is neither pain nor sorrow nor sighing,  
but life everlasting. Amen.**

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† RECESSIONAL

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† *Please rise in body or in spirit.*

*The family is grateful for your prayers and support, and invites you  
to greet them at The Piedmont Club immediately following the service.*

**PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE**

Dr. Thomas E. Evans  
*Pastor*

Rev. Joanne R. Hull  
*Associate Pastor for Congregational Care*

Marcia Andrews  
*Organist*

Justin Boazman  
*Soloist*

Peter Moore  
*Violinist*

**MEMORIALS**

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Or the Charity of One's Choice