

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 19th, 2014

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* *Beethoven/Scherman*
The Handbell Choir

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT *I Love You, Lord*

+CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 99*

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: The Lord is King; let the peoples tremble!

All: **The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the earth!**

One: Let the people praise the great and awesome name of the Lord.

All: **Holy is the Lord! Mighty King! Lover of Justice!**

One: Let us extol the Lord our God and worship at his footstool.

All: **We will extol the Lord our God for the Lord our God is holy!**

+HYMN *God's Holy Ways Are Just and True*

God's holy ways are just and true, his promises are ever new
O praise him, alleluia!

Let every heart with praises sing and make this house with voices ring
O praise him, O praise him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Bring back to mind his grace and love, our needs provided from above
O praise him, alleluia!

He kept his word and Jesus came to make a people for his name
O praise him, O praise him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Tell once again his deeds of old, the story of our mighty God
O praise him, alleluia!

For all his glorious works and ways we shall rejoice through endless days
O praise him, O praise him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Compassionate Lord, you call us to follow you and to offer our gifts in service to you. Yet we confess that we would rather take than give. We would rather receive what you have to offer us, rather than be committed to offering others what we have received from you. Forgive us for being so selfish, Lord. Send us your Spirit to empower us to serve you with commitment, dedication, and purpose, so that we might not only be disciples, but apostles, as well. In your name we pray. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE

Praise God the Father, praise the Son and praise the Spirit, Three in One
O praise him, alleluia!

As the beginning, evermore! Praise to our God whom we adore!
O praise him, O praise him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jesus & His Twelve Disciples Song
The Children's Choir

+HYMN *Come, Labor On* #415

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Exodus 19:1-6 p. 61 OT
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *His Eye Is On The Sparrow* *M. Hayes*

GOSPEL READING Mark 3:7-19a p. 31 NT
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from The Theological Declaration of Barmen*
Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God which we have to hear and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death. As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God's mighty claim upon our whole life.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Lord, you Have Come to the Lakeshore* *arr. Carter*

+Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures high and low

O praise him, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known

Creator, Word, and Spirit one

O praise him, O Praise him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

+Prayer of Dedication

+HYMN *Lead On, O King Eternal* #447

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *God Be With You*

+POSTLUDE *We're Marching to Zion* *arr. Trivette*

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Kate Shockley
- the acolytes are Madison Counts and Madi Cozart
- the bell ringer is Eliza Cozart
- the W.O.W. leaders are Michael and Robin Cozart and Karen Peterson
- the nursery volunteers are Rachel Fowlkes, Seth and Sarah Land
- and Kaeleigh Damico
- the sound board tech is Rick Ratliff

WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION
Elders: Randa McCall & Danny Wilson

VISITORS: We are delighted to have you with us this morning and hope you feel at home. Please let us know a bit about you by filling in your information in the Friendship Register. **A Nursery is available** for infants and children through age 4. If you need directions an usher can assist you.

HEARING DEVICES are available for the hearing impaired from an usher.

WE ARE CURRENTLY IN A YEAR-LONG SERMON SERIES on the *Gospel of Mark*. Mark says this is the story of God's Son and it is Good News. Each hearer of Mark's story must determine what his/her own response will be to this Good News.

THE NEXT SPENCER-MILLER CONCERT is NEXT Sunday, October 26th. The Paramount Chamber Players will celebrate its first ten years by debuting an original new work commissioned for the milestone. *Second Sight* is the work of three area composers and sets to music the poetry of the late Dr. Sam Miller, member of Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church. The second half of the concert will feature *Rhapsody in Blue* by Gershwin and an American Musical Theater Medley sung by Mark Owen Davis.

THE FAMILY OF MARY EVERETT expresses thanks and appreciation for the wonderful luncheon following her funeral service. We thank everyone who donated food and helped serve. The meal was very comforting for her family members.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY
Elders: Georgia Crews & Rachel Fowlkes

A LETTER FROM THE SESSION regarding recent actions by the General Assembly was recently mailed to all members and regular attenders. Copies of the letter are on the table in the Narthex. If you did not receive the letter in the mail, please let Donna in the Church Office know so that we may make sure we have the correct address on file.

WE ARE UPDATING OUR RECORDS AND NEED YOUR HELP! We want to make sure our communication with you is as good as it can be. In addition, we are getting ready to publish a new Church Directory (the non-pictorial kind!). So we want to make sure that all of the information we have for you, such as address, email, birthday, etc. is correct. There is a form on the table in the Narthex that we would like you to take and fill out with all of your information. You can put in the offering plate, put it in Donna's box, or drop it by the church anytime. We'll compare our records to the form and make sure we have all your information correct. Thanks for your assistance!

OUR NEXT DISCOVER LUNCHEON IS NOV. 9TH! If you have been visiting SSPC in recent months and want an opportunity to learn more about us (and a free lunch!) plan on coming to our next Discovery luncheon after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Tim and members of the Session will be there for a brief presentation and to answer questions you might have. And did we mention the free lunch? Please RSVP to the church office if you would like to attend.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH
Elders: Alicia Arney & Kay Bunn

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – kicks-off this Sunday, October 19th. Shoeboxes are available in the Narthex for church members to take home and fill with small toys, flashlights, paper, pencils, etc. to send to needy children around the world. If you have questions, contact Mindy Bonin at (859) 312-7987. Deadline for returning the shoeboxes will be November 9th.

SOCIAL CLUB – It's time once again to host Social Club at Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church! Sponsored by Highlands Community Services, the Social Club provides an evening of fun and good food for around 40 mentally and or physically challenged adults living in local nursing homes. These folks are thrilled to have an evening "out" to visit with friends, play bingo, and enjoy a good meal. SSPC will host a Thanksgiving dinner with turkey, dressing and all the trimmings on Thursday, November 20 at 5:30 p.m. If this sounds like a mission that interests you, please contact Kay Bunn or Alicia Arney. Also, we're looking for small, inexpensive bingo prizes (new or gently used) for the Social Club. If you have items to donate, please bring them by the church office before November 20.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to everyone who brought food for World Food Day on October 12th. Thanks to your generosity, we collected over 290 items of food to donate to Faith in Action's Food Pantry. (We still hold the title of "The Fruity Church" because of the 290 items, 134 were cans of fruit!) Many needy, hungry families will benefit from your kindness.

DON'T FORGET THE MITTEN TREE! When you're out shopping for goodies to stuff your shoeboxes, don't forget to look for mittens, scarves, and warm hats to decorate our annual Mitten Tree. The tree will be in the Narthex from the first Sunday in Advent (November 30) until the week following Christmas. All the warm winter items will be taken to Faith in Action for distribution to needy families.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP
Elders: Lucy Phillips & Baird Smith

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: This fall we are studying the Kingdom Parables – parables in which Jesus says, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like..." Pastor Tim leads this study every Wednesday at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall. You are welcome to join at any time, as each week is a self-contained study. Hope to see you there!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...Saturday, December 13th @ 5:00 p.m. is the *Children's Christmas Program*. If your child is in Kindergarten – 5th grade they are invited to participate. The children will practice every Wednesday @ 5:00 p.m. beginning November 5th to learn the songs. Please let Janet McGraw or Grace Chi know if your child would like to participate.

FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Adult Parlor Class – Studying *Seeing Jesus in John's Gospel*
Adult Fellowship Hall Class – Studying *The Book of James*
High School (Grades 9-12) meet in the Grant Room with Randa McCall
Middle School (Grades 5-8) meet upstairs in the MS Youth room with Mindy Bonin
Children (Age 4 – Grade 4) meet upstairs in Children's Room with Janet McGraw
Nursery (Ages 3 and under) on the main floor in the Nursery Room

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, October 19th

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Tuesday, October 21st

8:00 p.m. AA & AI-Anon in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 22nd

3:15 p.m. After School Program
5:00 p.m. Junior Choir
6:30 p.m. Handbell Choir
7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, October 23rd

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study at BabyCakes
8:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 26th

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Fred Holt & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for October 12, 2014

Attendance: 154
Offering: \$3,944.00

CHURCH BULLETINS are now available on our website! The link to view is <http://www.sinkingspring.org/worship.html#ws>.

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: Mazie Cook, Helen Napps, Reed Cooke (Grand Court), June Atkins, Hazel Warden (Abingdon Rehab) and Gladys Cornelius

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS: Agnes Hughes

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: The Family of Dale Brown, Sue Clark, David Henninger, Mark Frye, Peggy Reed and Rosemary Sweet

AND FOR THESE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY: Joseph McGraw, Nathan McGraw, Mark Widener, Walter Holcomb Jr., John Nowell II, John Nowell III and Dexter Bevis

*Names remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer

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