

About this morning's service:

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Introitus Primi Toni* Erbach

+VOTUM¹ *Our Help and our Beginning are in the name of the LORD, who created heaven and earth, who keeps covenant and is steadfast forever and who does not forsake the work of his hand.* Amen. *Amen.*

+PRAYER OF ADORATION

+HYMN OF PRAISE² *O Splendor of God's Glory Bright*

RESPONSIVE READING³ *Odd verses – Men
Even verses – Women*

+HYMN OF ASSURANCE⁴ *Savior of the Nations, Come*

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES⁵

SCRIPTURE READING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD PROCLAIMED⁶ Tim Reynolds

+RESPONSE TO THE WORD *The Heidelberg Catechism*

A. That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at that cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

THE OFFERING⁷

+Offertory *Welscher Tantz* Neuslieder
+Prayer *Luther's Prayers*

+HYMN OF RESPONSE⁸ *I'll Praise My Maker*
Verse 1 – Congregation & Organ
Verse 2 – Congregation unaccompanied
Verse 3 – Organ alone
Verse 4 – Congregation & Organ

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER⁹

+HYMN OF DEDICATION¹⁰ *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

+ASKING FOR GOD'S BLESSING¹¹ *May God bless us and keep us
May God make his face shine upon us, and be gracious to us.
May God uncover his face to us and bring us and God's whole world, God's peace.* Amen. *Amen.*

+POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress (Ein Feste Burg)* Luther/ arr. Wold

THIS MORNING...

- the bell ringer is Annsley Trivette
- the acolytes are Hope Shockley and Kaylee Arney
- the nursery volunteers are Georgia Crews, Trent & Rachel Bales, and Ruthann Froberg
- the W.O.W. leaders are David and Anne Willson

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 today at 3:00 p.m. 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

IN ORDER TO GIVE ADEQUATE TIME AND ATTENTION to discussing and understanding all the issues surrounding the PC(USA)'s proposed redefinition of marriage, the Session of Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church has decided to wait until after the first of the year to hold a discussion forum on the topic. The date has been set for Sunday, January 18th at 3:00 p.m. A sub-committee will be established by the Session to design the format and content of the forum and more details will be forthcoming, but we wanted you to get the date on your calendar now. We look forward to hearing from you and sharing with one another.

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 DISCOVERY 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 by November 4th if you would like to attend.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH
Elders: Alicia Arney & Kay Bunn

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – kicked off last Sunday, 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**, a donation of \$7.00 per box to cover shipping and handling is requested, make check payable to Samaritan's Purse.

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.

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, October 26th

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

Tuesday, October 28th

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

Wednesday, October 29th

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 30th

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

Sunday, November 2nd Communion

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 19, 2014

Attendance: 190
Offering: \$7,307.00

THE HUNGER OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED NEXT SUNDAY

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: Bess Orr and Kitty Henninger

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: The Family of Dale Brown, Sue Clark, David Henninger, Rosemary Sweet and Agnes Hughes

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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