

April 20th, 2014

Easter Sunday

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Christ Arose* *arr. Trivette*

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

+CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 118 & John 1*

One: Hear the good news: The grave is empty! Christ is risen!
All: He is risen indeed!
 One: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
All: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
 One: The Lord is our strength and our might; he has become our salvation.
All: We shall not die for we all shall live!
 One: The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.
 Christ is risen!
All: He is risen indeed!

+HYMN OF PRAISE *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*
The choir will sing first. Please sing the following when directed to do so:

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
 Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
 Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
 Sing ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
 Fought the fight the battle won, Alleluia!
 Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
 Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
 Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
 Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
 Following our exalted head, Alleluia!
 Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of life, we come to you hungry for good news. We have been so busy we have overlooked the miracle of the world's rebirth that we call spring. We have been so preoccupied with getting instant gratification that we overlook the eternal and lasting joy you offer. We have been so concerned with making a living that we have missed the Life you set before us. Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift; open our lips and hands to share it with all humanity. We pray in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *The Strife is O'er* #119

+PASSING OF THE PEACE
May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Presentation
 Profession of Faith
 Prayer
 Welcome & Charge

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples. Afterward, children ages 4 thru 3rd grade may go to Worship Our Way (W.O.W.) while children in 4th grade and older are invited to worship with their families.

+HYMN *The Day of Resurrection* #118

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 p. 528 OT
 This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Resurrection Victory* *Larson/Elvey*

GOSPEL READING 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 p. 155 NT
 This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
Jesus Christ is Lord! Alleluia! Amen!

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD
 Offertory *The Day of Resurrection* *McDonald*
 +Doxology *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* #592
 +Prayer of Dedication

+HYMN OF SENDING *Thine Is the Glory* #122

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *For Thine Is the Kingdom*

+POSTLUDE *Jesus Christ is Risen Today* *arr. Trivette*

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Kate Shockley
- the acolyte is Seth Reynolds
- the bell ringer is Graham Pittman
- the W.O.W. leaders are Jason & Becky Pittman
- the nursery volunteers are Rachel Fowlkes, Anne and David Willson
- 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 this morning. **A Nursery is available** for infants and children through age 3. If you need directions an usher can assist you.

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

THE FLOWERING OF THE CROSS: All are invited to take part in our annual "Flowering of the Cross" this morning. Place any flowers you brought with you on the cross before worship this morning. If you forgot, no worries – there are flowers down front for you! Following worship the cross will be carried outside as symbol of life from death for all to see. Please feel free to take photos in front of the cross!

WE BEGIN A NEW WORSHIP SERIES this morning on *The Five Solas*. (*Sola* can be translated as "only" or "alone.") These are five Latin phrases that emerged during the Protestant Reformation that summarized the early Reformers' fundamental theological beliefs. We will spend the next 6-weeks examining our belief that we are saved by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, that the Bible alone has the unique authority to speak about this, and that all of this is done for the glory of God alone. Today we are looking at what it means to be saved "in Christ alone."

WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION to Dr. Donald Sorah, Kelly Sorah, Gary Skeen and Brandon Alford for their contribution to our Easter music today.

NEW MEMBERS: The following were received into membership by the Session at the end of last Sunday's Discovery Class and will be introduced this morning: Idanna Bowman, Jim & Jan Frazier, Amanda Godfrey, Stanley & Angie Haynes, Lewis & Mary Jo Neal, and Lila Thurmond. Please extend them the right hand of fellowship following worship today.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Our Wednesday night Bible study of *The Book of Confessions* continues this week at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

SPENCER-MILLER CONCERT SERIES: The Spencer-Miller Concert series has concluded for the season and will resume in September.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY Elders: Georgia Crews & Rachel Fowlkes



WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP DINNER: Wednesday night dinners are at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, just prior to the Bible Study led by Pastor Tim. The cost is \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children. All are invited to come share in great food and fellowship!



SERVICE AND OUTREACH
Elders: Alicia Arney & Kay Bunn

FAITH IN ACTION: This is our week to serve at FIA! We boxed food yesterday so no duties this afternoon, but we have plenty of slots to fill the rest of the week. You can sign up in the narthex. Times are as follows:

Monday 9:30 – 11:15 am, 11:15 – 1:00 pm
 Tuesday 4:30 – 7:00 pm
 Friday 9:30 – 11:15 am, 11:15 – 1:00 pm

FRUIT FOR FIA: Consider 2 more cans....when you are at the grocery, please pick up two extra cans of fruit for Faith-in-Action. This time of year with an 11.9% increase in food pantry participants, the shelves run low on stock. Extra cans of fruit are needed in addition to monetary donations to help FIA purchase fruit throughout the year. Cans are collected in the basket near the stairs and checks can be made to SSPC with "Fruit Fund" in the memorandum line. Thanks for your continued generosity!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VIEW PICTURES OF OUR HABITAT BUILD go to our website (www.sinkingspring.org) and there is a link on the homepage.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP
Elders: Lucy Phillips & Baird Smith

MARK THE DATES: VBS will be the 2nd week in July ~July 7 – 11, 2014. Sinking Spring will host VBS this year.

NURSERY: The nursery still needs loving arms to help care for the babies/toddlers and preschoolers during Sunday School, 9:45 – 10:45 and Worship, 10:45 – 12:15. **You must be in 8th Grade to help in the Nursery.**

Resurrection Victory

He is risen! Christ is risen! Sing it out with joyful voice
 He has burst the three days' prison, let the whole wide earth rejoice
 Death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory
 He is risen! Christ is risen! He shall reign for all eternity!

He is risen! Christ is risen! Risen to a holy state!
 We are free from sin's dark prison, he has opened heaven's gate
 Death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory
 He is risen! Christ is risen! He shall reign for all eternity!

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave
 And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save
 His glories now we sing of him who died and rose on high
 He died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die!

He is risen! Christ is risen! Sing it out with joyful voice
 He has burst the three days' prison, let the whole wide earth rejoice
 Death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory
 He is risen! Christ is risen! Christ is risen!
 Christ is risen! Alleluia!

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, 20th Easter Sunday

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

Monday, April 21st

6:30 p.m. Session Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, April 22nd

10:00 a.m. PW Coordinating Team – Parlor
 8:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, April 23rd

3:15 p.m. After School Programs
 5:00 p.m. Children's Choir
 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Supper
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study
 6:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 24th

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study at BabyCakes
 10:00 a.m. COM Meeting in the Fellowship Hall
 8:00 p.m. AA & Al-anon in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 26th

9:00 a.m. CRE Class in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 27th

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Fred Holt & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for April 13, 2014:
 Attendance: 238
 Offering: \$4,941.20

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, Gladys Cornelius, May Joe Craig (Grace), Mary Everett, Helen Napps, Reed Cooke (Grand Court), June Atkins

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS:

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: Family of Virginia Ditges Dean McGraw (surgery) Beatrice Rife, Jay McCallum, Elaine Ratliff, Arville Mullins, Charlotte Brillhart, Carol Yates

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

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

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