

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 27th, 2014

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Christ, The Lord is Risen Today* *Trivette*

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT *The Lord Is Here*

+CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 98*

One: Hear the good news: Christ is risen!

All: **He is risen indeed!**

One: Oh sing to God a new song.

All: **We will sing to God for he has done marvelous things!**

One: Because of God's steadfast love and faithfulness to Israel, all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation and victory of our God.

All: **Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth!**

One: For God will rule the earth with righteousness and judge all nations with equity.

All: **Let us break forth into joyous song and praises!**

+HYMN OF PRAISE *Sing Praise to the Father*
Tune: TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Sing praise to the Father, Creator and King
Whose mercy has taught us a new song to sing
Who made us and loved us though rebels and lost
And planned our redemption at infinite cost

Bless the Lord, bless the Lord, bless the Lord, O my soul
For the grace that redeems, for the love that makes whole
O come and adore him, his glories proclaim
And worship before him – the Lord is his name!

Sing praise to the Savior, Redeemer, and Friend
For grace past all telling for love without end
Who stripped off his glory, put on mortal sin
And died in our stead, full atonement to win
Refrain

Sing praise to the Spirit, the gift of God's love
Who quickens our hearts with new life from above
Who woos us, subdues us, and seals us his own
And faultless presents us before the White Throne
Refrain

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we thank you that you have not left us alone in our sin and despair. Loving us, you have brought us good news and set before us the way of Life. Yet we confess that we have failed to see the way. In our stubborn pride we have turned our back on your mercy and your help. In our selfishness we have turned away from those who need us. We allow ourselves to be crushed by our troubles, as though Christ had not been raised at all. Forgive our faithlessness, and grant that we may know new life in the spirit of resurrection. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *Sing Praise to the Father*
Sing praise to the Father, sing praise to the Son
Sing praise to the Spirit, great God, Three in One
The God of salvation, of glory, of grace
Who wrought our redemption – my soul sing his praise!
Refrain

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

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 *O Word of God Incarnate* #327

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING *Psalm 119:1-16, 33-40* p. 529 OT
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *My Jesus, I Love Thee* *Sterling*

EPISTLE READING *2 Timothy 3:14-17* p. 188 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 Second Helvetic Confession (1561)*
We believe and confess the canonical Scriptures of the holy prophets and apostles of both Testaments to be the true Word of God, and to have sufficient authority of themselves. For God himself spoke to the fathers, prophets, apostles, and still speaks to us through the Holy Scriptures. And in this Holy Scripture, the universal Church of Christ has the most complete exposition of all that pertains to a saving faith, and also to the framing of a life acceptable to God.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Thy Word* *Smith*
+Doxology *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* #592
+Prayer of Dedication

+HYMN OF SENDING *Word of God, Across the Ages*
Tune: AUSTRIAN HYMN

Word of God, across the ages comes thy message to our life
Source of hope forever present in our toil and fears and strife
Constant witness to God's mercy, still our grace whate'er befall
Guide unfailing, strength eternal, offered freely to us all

Story of our wondrous journey from the shadows of the night
Garnered truth of sage and prophet, guiding forward into light
Words and deeds of Christ our Master, pointing to the life and way
Still appealing, still inspiring, 'mid the struggles of today

In the tongues of all the peoples may the message bless and heal
As devout and patient scholars more and more its depths reveal
Bless, O god, to wise and simple, all they truth of ageless worth
Till all lands receive the witness and thy knowledge fills the earth

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *Lord, Let Us Now Depart*

+POSTLUDE *Celebration on Lift High the Cross* *Trad.*

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Austin Patrick
- the acolytes are Corie Cozart & Sydney Johnson
- the bell ringer is Annsley Trivett
- the W.O.W. leaders are Ben & Val Sharp
- the nursery volunteers are Karen Peterson, Jan Hardman & Jamie Hortenstine
- the sound board tech is Austin Patrick

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.

LAST WEEK WE BEGAN A NEW WORSHIP SERIES 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 – 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 and next week we will look at the "battle cry of the Reformation" – *Sola Scriptura*, "Scripture alone."

SUMMER WORSHIP TIME CHANGE! At its April meeting the Session approved a recommendation from the Worship & Celebration Ministry Unit to move the worship service to 10:00 a.m. for the summer. The new time will begin on June 1st and last for the months of June, July, August.

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.

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: Thanks to all who volunteered at Faith in Action this past week! Our next week to serve is June 15-21. Mark your calendars!

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. **Workshop of Wonders – Imagine and Build with God.** Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church is hosting this year.

GRADUATING SENIORS – It's the time of year for graduation ceremonies. Do you know of a graduating senior from High School or College? If you would like to have their name included with the High School Graduating Seniors from Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church please let Janet McGraw know. Please write out the information and include: your name and relation to the senior, name of senior, graduating school and any plans for the future.

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.**

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, 27th Easter Sunday

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

Monday, April 28th

2:00 p.m. MRS Women's Club

Tuesday, April 29th

11:00 a.m. Presbytery Compassion Committee
 3:30 p.m. Haynes Recital Rehearsal
 8:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, April 30th

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

Thursday, May 1st

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

Sunday, May 4th – Communion Sunday

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
 2:00 p.m. Haynes Recital
 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Fred Holt & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for April 20, 2014:

Maundy Thursday: 81
 Easter: 324
 Easter Offering: \$21,496.95

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, 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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My Jesus, I Love Thee

My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine
 For thee all the follies of sin I resign
 My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou
 If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now

I love thee because thou hast first loved me
 And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree
 I love thee for wearing the thorns on the brow
 If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now

I love thee in life, I will love thee in death
 And praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath
 And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow
 If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now

In mansions of glory and endless delight
 I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright
 I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow
 If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now