

June 1st, 2014

7th Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Prelude in F Major* Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT *I Will Remember Thee*

+CALL TO WORSHIP from *Psalm 86*

One: Hear the Good News: Christ is risen!
All: He is risen indeed!
 One: Incline your ear to us, O Lord, and answer our call,
All: For we are poor and needy and you are the God Who Hears.
 One: Preserve and save us, O Lord, so that our souls may be gladdened,
All: For we are devoted to you and trust that you are the God Who Sees.
 One: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord.
All: For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love, merciful and gracious. You alone are God!

+HYMN *God Is Here!* #461, vv. 1-3

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jesus, when we read of the people in the bible not recognizing you for who you are, we shake our heads in disbelief. But we confess that we, too, have failed to recognize you for who you are. We have failed to see you in the widow and the orphan, in the poor and oppressed, in the homeless and the helpless. We have failed to see you in the eyes of third world children and in the hands of the fast food worker serving us our food. We have failed to see you in the custodian we pass in the hall at work and in the maid who cleans our hotel room when we are on vacation. We have failed to see you in those who are lonely and alone, sick and hurting, addicted and abused, forlorn and forgotten, and in those the world simply overlooks. Forgive us, Lord. Send your Spirit to open our eyes that we may see you in the lives and in the faces of those whom the world overlooks, whom the world treats as nobodies, whom the world says don't matter. Help us to see they matter because you are with them, and to love them accordingly. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *God Is Here!* #461, v. 4

+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.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* Carter
 +Doxology *We Give Thee but Thine Own* #428, v. 1
*We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be
 All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee*
 +Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

GOSPEL READING Matthew 25:31-46 p. 25 NT

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

HEBREW BIBLE READING Genesis 16:1-16 & 21:8-21 p. 11 OT

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table
 Preparatory Hymn *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart* #521, vv. 2,3,5
 Great Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer (Hymnbook p. 16)
 The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Lift up your hearts.
They are lifted up to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
 Breaking of the Bread
 Communion of the People *Celtic Communion* Hayes
 Prayer After Communion

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

+HYMN OF SENDING *Community of Christ*

Sung to the Tune: LEONI (The God of Abraham Praise)
*Community of Christ, look past the church's door
 And see the refugee, the hungry, and the poor
 Take hands with the oppressed, the jobless in your street
 Take towel and water, that you wash your neighbor's feet*

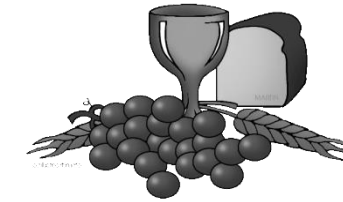
*Community of Christ, through whom the word should sound
 Cry out for justice and for peace the whole world round
 To mothers who are lost and children so forlorn
 The love of Christ through you be shown, in them be born*

*Community of Christ, who make the cross our own
 Let's live our creed and risk our life for God alone
 Our currency be love and kindness our law
 Our food and faith be shared as one for evermore*

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *The Grace Of Our Lord*

+POSTLUDE *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* Trivette

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND



Communion: We welcome all who follow Jesus to the Lord's Table this morning, including children. Parents who wish to go get their children from the Nursery or from W.O.W. to celebrate communion as a family may do so during the singing of the Communion preparation hymn.

WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION Elders: Randa McCall & Danny Wilson

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- the liturgist is Emma Shockley
- the acolytes are Jamie Lee and Hope Shockley
- the bell ringer is Joby Trivette
- the W.O.W. leaders are Ben & Val Sharp, Dianne Loomis
- the nursery volunteers are Liz Edelman, Karen Peterson and Grace Chi
- the sound board tech is John Nowell

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.

OUR SUMMER SERMON SERIES is titled **Her-Story: Women of the Hebrew Scriptures**. Each week we will look at a woman or group of women from the Hebrew Bible whose story/stories are not so well known and whose voices are not often heard. Some will be heroines, some will be villainesses, and some will be both, but all have much to teach us.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY Elders: Georgia Crews & Rachel Fowlkes

CHURCH SOFTBALL TEAM: Our church has traditionally fielded a team in Abingdon's Summer Church Softball League. A few folks who have played in the past are not going to be able to do so this year, so if you are interested in playing, let us know! Men and women are invited! Contact Ben Sharp (276-608-1910) or let Pastor Tim know of your interest.

ALL PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ARE ASKED TO MEET WITH CIRCLE 1 on Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. to make a decision about next year's meetings.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH
Elders: Alicia Arney & Kay Bunn

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.

THANKS FOR YOUR FAITH IN ACTION! WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. During April, Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church logged over 75 volunteer hours, served 249 families, donated 103 actual can of fruit and gave financially to purchase approximately 1,280 more cans of fruit and food! Keep up the great work and thank you for your generous spirit; it is making a difference in our community.

FAITH IN ACTION: Our next week to serve is June 15-21. Mark your calendars! Signup sheet is on Bulletin Board in narthex.

THE DEDICATION SERVICE FOR THE HABITAT HOUSE is this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. at the house on Taylor Street. All are invited to this celebration.

CLEANING OUT YOUR GARAGES AND ATTICS THIS SPRING? Consider making a donation to the _____ in Wytheville, VA. They can use