

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 29th, 2014

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Variations on Credo* Leupold / Young

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT *O Come, Let Us Worship*

+CALL TO WORSHIP from *Psalm 130*

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: If you kept track of our mistakes, O Lord, no one among us would be able to stand before you.

All: **But you offer us forgiveness, Lord, and for that we are grateful.**

One: Our souls wait for you, Lord, the way we wait for night to turn to day.

All: **In your word we hope, for we know that with you there is both steadfast love and redemption.**

+HYMN *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art* #457, vv. 1-4

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful and Saving God, we thank you that when we are in Christ you do not keep record of our sin and do not give us what we deserve. Yet we confess this morning that we have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven. We keep track of injustices done to us, of mistakes that others make. We label people by the sins of their past, rather than showing them the grace they need to become new people. Forgive us, Father. Send us your Spirit that we may show kindness and compassion to others and that we may show others the same grace that you have shown us. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art* #457, v. 5

+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 5 thru 4th grade may go to Worship Our Way (W.O.W.) while children in 5th grade and older are invited to worship with their families.

+HYMN *O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer* #223

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

EPISTLE READING 1 Peter 2:4-9 p. 206 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Lord I Stretch My Hands* AltHouse

HEBREW BIBLE READING Joshua 2:1-24 & 6:15-25 p. 180 OT

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *The Confession of 1967*

God has created us in a personal relation with himself that we may respond to the love of the Creator. He has given us a life which proceeds from birth to death in a succession of generations and in a wide complex of social relations. He has endowed us with capacities to make the world serve our needs and to enjoy its good things. Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage. We are free to seek our life within the purpose of God: to develop and protect the resources of nature for the common welfare, to work for justice and peace in society, and in other ways to use our creative powers for the fulfillment of human life.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GO

Offertory *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* Carter

+Credo *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* #592

+Prayer of Dedication

+HYMN *We Are Called to Be God's People* AUSTRIAN HYMN

We are called to be God's people, showing by our lives his grace

One in heart and one in spirit, sign of hope for all the race

Let us show how he has changed us and remade us as his own

Let us share our life together as we shall around his throne

We are called to be God's servants, working in his world today

Taking his own task upon us, all his sacred words obey

Let us rise, then, to his summons, dedicate to him our all

That we may be faithful servants, quick to answer now his call

We are called to be God's prophets, speaking for the truth and right

Standing firm for godly justice, bringing evil things to light

Let us seek the courage needed, our high calling to fulfill

That the world may know the blessing of the doing of God's will

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *Go Now And Live*

+POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* Young

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Hazel Ramos-Cano
- the acolytes are Lila Godfrey and Kaylee Arney
- the bell ringer is John Godfrey
- the W.O.W. leaders are Alicia Arney, Karen Peterson and Sandy Smith
- the nursery volunteers are Kay Bunn, Sarah and Seth Land
- 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 4. 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. Today we are looking at Rahab.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY Elders: Georgia Crews & Rachel Fowlkes

NELL CLARK CONTACT INFORMATION: Nell would love to chat with you most days between 11:00 AM and 9:00 PM, her home phone is 336-763-4612, Her daughter Jenny's home phone is 336-993-3131 (when Nell feels well enough, she goes to Jenny's home so that she can enjoy the back porch and petting the cats.)

SINKING SPRING PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLE 1 AND 2 PICNIC scheduled for July 8th has been cancelled.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH Elders: Alicia Arney & Kay Bunn

THE FAITH IN ACTION GOLF TOURNAMENT will be held on Sunday, August 10th at 2:00 p.m. Both sponsors and players are needed. If you are interested in either there are information sheets hanging on the mission board in the Narthex.

FAITH IN ACTION: Our next week to serve is August 10th – 16th. Mark your calendars.

CONGRATULATIONS! The Abingdon Presbytery Compassion Committee awarded Sinking Spring Presbyterian Service & Outreach Team a \$3,000 grant to support our sister congregation, Luwerezi Church of Central Africa Presbyterian in Malawi, Africa. These funds will assist with their new church building project including the purchase of Bibles in their native language, and other activities outlined in the grant. *Uchindami kwa Chitua!!* Glory to God!!

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP
Elders: Lucy Phillips & Baird Smith

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS ONLY 7 DAYS AWAY! Get your orange T-shirt and be ready to meet Sandy Paper and Rivet the ant on Monday July 7th at 9:00 AM as we follow the blueprint of God. This year's theme is "**Workshop of Wonders ~ Imagine and Build with God**" Each day will focus on one of the Wonders of God' *Imagine, Build, Grow, Work and Walk*. If you would like to contribute to VBS but cannot help out during the week, a monetary donation will help with expenses. Mark your check VBS. Vacation Bible School is for ages 3 through Grade 5. Middle school students are invited to be helpers. If you would like to pre-registered there are blank registration forms on the table under the VBS Bulletin Board. See Janet McGraw for more information.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DECORATING GET-TOGETHER: Wednesday, July 2nd @ 10:00 A.M. there will be a "Decorating Get-Together" at the church to finish decorations for VBS. Anyone interested is invited to come. As long as you can hold a marker or paint brush you are qualified!!! Questions? Call Janet at 628-3361. Lunch will be provided.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ The Spiritual Formation Team has structured an Intergenerational (Middle School, High School and Adult) Sunday School class for the months of June, July and August. The class begins at 9:00 AM and meets in the Parlor. Coffee and "muffins" are available. The class is studying the book **Discipleship: The Way of Jesus**. Each week a member from the class will facilitate. Participant's books make it easy to follow along. Come support this exciting new class. Children K-5 will meet upstairs in their Sunday School Room.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS AND WORSHIP OUR WAY LEADERS: If you are on the regular rotating schedule for Nursery and W.O.W., please let Janet McGraw know of vacation plans.

CAMPERS RETURN!! Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church sent 14 youth to Camp Holston June 15th – 20th. Everyone had a great time. Here are some of the things the campers had to say about their week:

JENI: "I think my favorite activity was when the Middle School girls went night climbing"

KAYLEE: "I liked the zip line"

BRICE: "Camp was awesome because we got to connect with Jesus AND make new friends."

MORGAN: "Camp was so much fun. Rock climbing was thrilling!"

HOPE: "My favorite thing at camp was the zip lines!"

EMMA: "The best part of camp was the great counselors and the food."

ISAIAH: "Zip lining was my favorite new adventure. Just awesome!"

SYDNEY: "My favorite thing from camp was definitely campfires we would have because we would sing songs, learn about Scripture, play games and bond with all the other campers and counselors."

LILY: "I loved it! The dance circle was the best!"

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, June 29th

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Tuesday, July 1st

10:00 a.m. Circle 1 in Grant Class
 6:30 p.m. S & O Ministry Team
 8:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, July 3rd

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

Sunday, July 6th

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Fred Holt & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for June 22, 2014:	
Attendance:	182
Offering:	\$4,739.00

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, Gladys Cornelius, Mary Everett, Helen Napps, and Reed Cooke (Grand Court), June Atkins (Abingdon Rehab) and Hazel Warden (Abingdon Rehab)

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS: Betty Jo Spurrier

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: Dottie Nowell, Nell Clark, June Atkins, Winkie Barton (knee surgery)

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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