

PRELUDE *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* arr. Trivette

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT *Lift High the Cross* Nicholson

+CALL TO WORSHIP 1 John 3

T O H f
All: He has risen indeed!
T f f g 1 f g f
L 3
All: By this we know love, that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh, and lived and died, that God's love might be made plain among us.
T Y 1g 1 g f
3
All: Because we love one another, we know that we have passed from death into life.
T Y f 3
All: This is the victory that comes through Jesus, our risen Christ. Amen.

+HYMN *Christ Is Alive!* (65 1 362)

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION
God of endless possibility, we confess that we do not always perceive the opportunities you place before us. We are blinded by our allegiances to the things of this world. We cling to the temporary, thinking they can bring us both satisfaction and security. We get caught up in our own hopes, plans, and dreams and fail to see the open pathways you set before us. Forgive us, Father. Open our eyes that we may accept the new life you offer us, and thus show forth the resurrection of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *Christ Is Alive!* (65 1 3:
Christ is alive, and comes to bring Good News to this and every age
Till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise

+PASSING OF THE PEACE
Rf f H g 3
And also with you.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES
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9 f f f f 3

+HYMN *That Easter Day with Joy was Bright* (676

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING J 75 6276 3 6 TY
Y 3
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Death, Where Is Your Sting?*

GOSPEL READING Rf 65 6 286 395 S Y
Y 3
Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD
Offertory *Take My Life* Hendon
+Doxology *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* (: 7
+Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM – Richard Cano
Presentation
Baptismal Vows
Affirmation of Faith – *The Apostles Creed* -M g 1 369.
Thanksgiving Over the Water
The Baptism
Blessing

+HYMN *The Summons* P J NS L WT J
Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the captives free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *I Surrender All* Weeden

+POSTLUDE *He Lives!* Trad.

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WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION
Elders: Matt Crum & Joey Lamie

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- the liturgist is Richard Cano
 - the acolytes are Madi Cozart and Emma Shockley
 - the W.O.W. leaders are Michael & Robin Cozart
 - the bellringer is Eliza Cozart
 - the nursery volunteers are Kay Bunn and Trent & Rachel Bales
 - the sound board tech is Austin Patrick

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 Go

THE NEXT SPENCER MILLER CONCERT will be Sunday, April 26th featuring Paramount Chamber Players.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY
Elders: Georgia Crews & Rachel Fowlkes

DISCOVERY CLASS: Interested in uniting with the congregation? Just want to 26th to attend the spring Discovery Class downstairs in the Fellowship Hall immediately following worship. After lunch provided by the church, Pastor Tim will lead the class in learning about the Presbyterian Church (USA), the Reformed Tradition and the Sinking Spring congregation. There will also be a time for questions and answers. Please RSVP to Georgia Crews at 2006mgcgm@comcast.net, 276-676-3512 or 276-492-5240 by Tuesday, April 21st.

ATTENTION SENIORS!! Interested in fun and fellowship?? Please add your name the Narthex. Watch church bulletin for further information.

THE STEPHEN MINISTRY Christ Caring For People Through People: The Sinking Spring congregation is officially enrolled in The Stephen Ministry. Leaders will be training in June and return ready to recruit ministers. The 50 hour training course for the ministers will be held at the church and will begin sometime in late summer or early fall. The meeting time will be determined by the group. Stephen Ministers become well-trained, care-givers that trust God to work through them to bring the love of Jesus to their care receivers. If you have questions and feel called to become a minister, please contact Toni Oliver at 276-206-3321 or visit the web site at www.stephenministries.org.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH
Elders: Alicia Arney, Kay Bunn & Mimi Hull

THANKS to those who helped serve at Faith in Action during March. We had 15 volunteers and served 163 families. Please mark your calendar for May 17-23. We need your hands and feet!

THE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING received \$1,651, thanks to your generous contributions. Thank you for helping provide water, food and relief from the effects of crises and catastrophic events to our neighbors in need, locally and globally. Together with other congregations, we are making an impact!

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP
Elders: Danny Wilson & Kate Shockley

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: This Wednesday we will begin a 6-week study on Christian Marriage in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Class meets at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

WE NEED YOU!! The Middle School Sunday School class needs an adult to help. Contact Janet McGraw if interested, christianeducator@sinkingspring.org

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AT SSPC ~ A brochure is available that tells how your child/ren can get involved at Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church. If you are interested, please stop by and take one.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS JULY 6-10 THIS YEAR. Be in prayer about how you can help. *There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the Parlor.*

AFTER SCHOOL CHILDREN ~ The After School Children have taken on a

of the Highlands (PCHH) in Wytheville is in need of the following items; Dish Towels/Potholders, Bath Towels/Washcloths, Linens for Twin Beds, Standard Size Pillows and Beach Towels. These items can be new or gently used. **Next week, April 19** the children are sponsoring a luncheon following the worship service. Chef Dean is cooking. A donation is asked for the lunch. If you have any of the items mentioned above you may bring them and place them in the box marked PCHH. The donations will go toward the purchase of new items. Billy Rice, Director of PCHH is coming to talk to the children later this month and accept the gifts collected.



IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, April 12th

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

Tuesday, April 14th

5:30 p.m. Ministry to Congregation Team Meeting
 8:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, April 15th

3:15 p.m. After School Program
 5:00 p.m. Junior Choir
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study
 7:30 p.m. Choir

Thursday, April 16th

7:00 a.m.
 8:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 19th

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
 12:00 p.m. Presbyterian Luncheon

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for April 5, 2015

Attendance: 300
 Offering: \$6,675.00
 Hunger: \$175.00

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 (Commonwealth Assisted Living), June Atkins, Hazel Warden (Abingdon Rehab), Don Preston (The Cottages, Greenville, SC) and Margaret Peters

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS: Curtis Addison

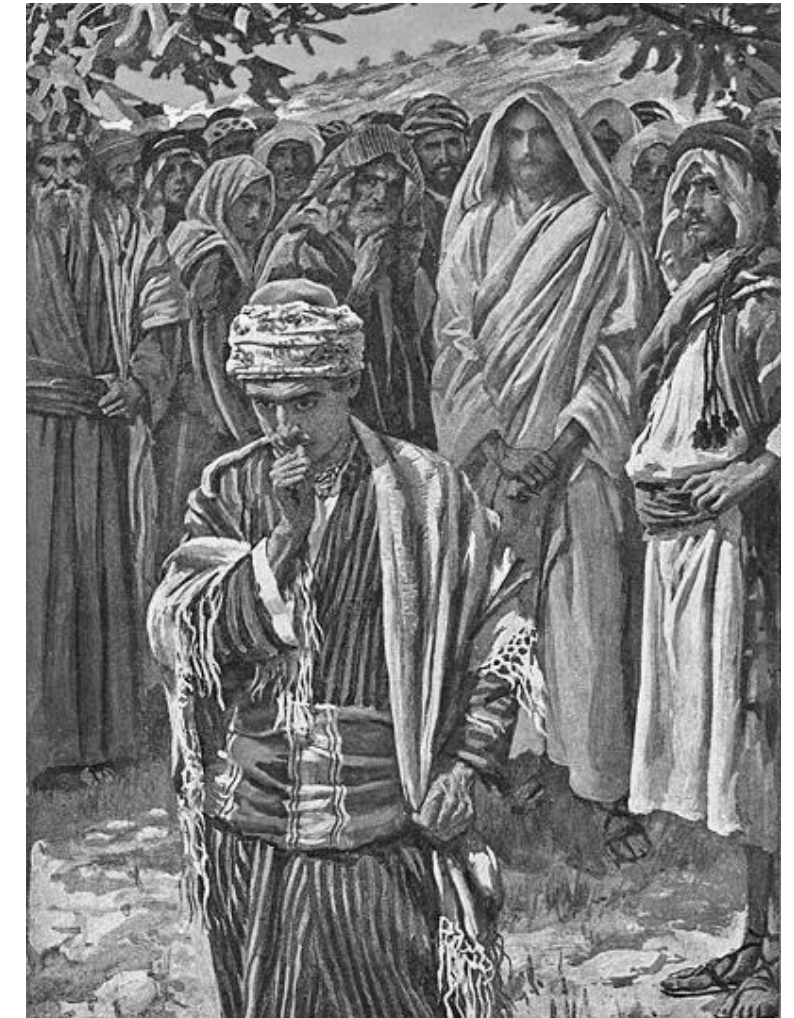
WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: David Henninger, Charles Henninger and McCallum Family

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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