

May 31st, 2015

Trinity Sunday

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* *arr. Burkhardt*

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT *Who Shall Ascend?*

+CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Praise the Lord!

All: **Let us sing praises to our God as long as we live.**

One: Do not put your trust in human beings, who cannot save.

All: **We will put our hope in the Lord our God, Maker of heaven and earth, who remains faithful forever;**

One: The Lord, who upholds the oppressed and gives food to the hungry;

All: **The Lord, who sets prisoners free, gives sight to the blind, lifts up those who are burdened, and loves the righteous;**

One: The Lord, who watches over the stranger and sustains the orphan and the widow;

All: **The Lord, who reigns forever. Let everything we say and do praise the Lord!**

+HYMN *Holy God, We Praise Your Name* #460, vv. 1-3

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Majestic God, you have drawn close to us but we have pushed away from you. You have chosen us to be your people, but we have lived for ourselves. You have asked us to give you our all, but we have only given you our leftovers. For going the way of the world, for getting caught up in pointless debates, for forgetting the law of love, and for not recognizing you as Lord over every part of our lives, please have mercy and forgive us. Send your Spirit upon us so that we might be more faithful children, living to glorify and honor you. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *Holy God, We Praise Your Name* #460, v. 4
Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit; Three we name you
While in essence only One; undivided God we claim you
And adoring bend the knee while we own the mystery

+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 *Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above* #483

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING 1 Chronicles 29:10-20 p. 357 OT
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *In The Garden* *Larson*

GOSPEL READING Mark 12:13-17 p. 42 NT
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *To God Be The Glory* *arr. 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

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

+HYMN *All Things Are Yours* GERMANY

All things are yours! We make that true

When we return our gifts to you

And so we give, and so we share,

In Christ's strong name expressing care

"Give out of love," your Word commands

We are your head, your heart, your hands

Your Word you underscore with deeds

By using us to answer needs

O what a joy to give and then,

Out of compassion, give again

You have no needs, though that be true,

The gifts we share are given to you

All things are yours! We make that true

When we return our gifts to you

And so we give, and so we share,

In Christ's strong name expressing care

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *The Servant Song*

+POSTLUDE *Thine is the Glory* *arr. Young*

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION Elders: Matt Crum & Joey Lamie

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Richard Cano
- the acolytes are Emma Shockley and Hope Shockley
- the W.O.W. leaders are Kurt & Amber Moran
- the bell ringer is Joby Trivette
- the nursery volunteers are Grace Chi, Vickie Crigger and Connie Bundy
- the sound board tech is Rick Ratliff

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 God's Son and it is Good News. Each hearer of Mark's story must determine what his/her own response will be to this Good News.

SUMMER WORSHIP TIME CHANGE STARTS NEXT SUNDAY! Once again this year the Session has approved a change in the time of our worship service to 10:00 a.m. for the summer. The new time will be in effect for all Sundays between June 1st and August 31st, which will be Sunday, June 7th thru Sunday, August 30th.

CHRISTIAN FAQ's will be Pastor Tim's sermon series this fall. He will be addressing Frequently Asked Questions regarding the Christian faith over the period of several weeks. If you have a question about Christianity that you think would make a good topic for one of the sermons, shoot him an email and let him know. OR...if you would prefer anonymity just drop a note in his box here at the church.

INVITATION TO USHERS – The Worship and Celebration Committee will be holding a twenty minute orientation for ushers immediately following the service **TODAY**. If you are interested in serving in this very important role once or twice per month for a term of six months, please plan to attend.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY Elders: Georgia Crews & Rachel Fowlkes

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.

ATTENTION SENIORS: We are going to the Paramount Center June 20th for 7:30 p.m. play. See bulletin board in Narthex for sign-up sheet and more details.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP
Elders: Danny Wilson & Kate Shockley

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Our Wednesday night Bible study has concluded for the program year. We will resume Wednesday night Bible study sometime after Labor Day.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUSPENSION ~ All Sunday School classes during the Summer Worship Time Change will be suspended. This will start NEXT Sunday, June 7th thru Sunday, August 30th.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is 5 weeks and counting! Save the week July 6 – 10. Abingdon Baptist Church is the host church this year. The time is 9 a.m. – 12 noon. Color for Monday is red. Wear something red! *Checkers the Cheetah* is anxious to meet the children! We are still in need of volunteers. See the paper on the bulletin board outside the parlor that shows what we still need. The children need what you have to give.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP COMMITTEE will meet on June 2nd in the Parlor at 5:30 p.m.

SINKING SPRING PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION is now open to the public, for information call: 276-619-0020 Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Accepting infants through kindergarten ages.

HOLSTON CAMP: Do you want to rock climb your way up one of our 3 natural rock-faces and then free fall your way down our two new zip-lines! How about setting your sights on paintball? What about white-water rafting? Holston Summer Camps are designed to challenge and encourage in both high adventure, and more importantly in faith! Don't miss a week of excitement, thrills and Bible Study. There are 5 weeks to choose from. Some SSPC children/youth are going June 21-26, and July 12-17. Camp is for children 8 – 17 years old. Go to Camp Holston's web site: holstoncamp.org and click on summer programs for more information. You can register online. The church pays half of the tuition. Deadline to get registration receipts in to Janet McGraw is June 7, 2015.

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

THE FAITH IN ACTION GOLF TOURNAMENT will be held on Sunday, August 9th 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.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE!! We will be helping the Kids' Backpack Program stuff, staff and distribute food boxes to local students in June & July! Please mark your calendar for the following: Monday, June 8 at 5:00 p.m. – prepare food boxes; Wednesday, June 10 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – staff the onsite distribution at Abingdon Elementary School; and Wednesday evening starting at 5:00 p.m. – load remaining boxes and distribute to local homes. Please let Alicia Arney know your availability to serve our children. Alicia_Arney@hotmail.com or 276/628-6364 or cell/text 423/366-3580. Next opportunity will be July 7-8.

MANY HEARTFELT THANKS to the volunteers who participated in the Social Club dinner on Thursday, May 21. Thanks, too, for the numerous, wonderful prizes the congregation donated. Every guest got to choose a prize to take home. Chef Dean cooked a delicious meal that church members served to about 50 guests. The evening ended with bingo games, prizes, and laughter. It's hard to describe the joy and blessing that comes from spending time with these very special folks. Next scheduled Social Club for Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church is November 19.

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, May 31st

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
 12:00 p.m. Usher Training Orientation

Monday, June 1st

5:30 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting
 6:30 p.m. Service & Outreach Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 2nd

5:30 p.m. Spiritual Formation & Discipleship Committee Meeting
 8:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 3rd

7:30 p.m. Choir

Thursday, June 4th

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Shoney's
 8:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, June 7th Communion

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

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for May 24, 2015

Attendance: 174
 Offering: \$3,559.00
 Pentecost Offering: \$1,546.00

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, Helen Napps, and Reed Cooke (Commonwealth Assisted Living), June Atkins, Hazel Warden (Abingdon Rehab), Don Preston and Margaret Peters

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS:

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: David Henninger, Charles Henninger, Richie Hooker, and Thelma Reynolds

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

NEW ADDRESSES: Here are some address updates of our members. Sara and Betty Jo have moved permanently. Don will be at this address through the summer.

Betty Jo Spurrier 1404 Chisholm Ridge Ct. St. Cloud, FL 34771	Sara Gilley 427-A Castle Bay Drive Hampstead, NC 28443	Don Preston 128 Oak Springs Drive Greer, SC 29651
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