

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30th, 2015

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Alleluia from Exsultate Jubilate* Mozart

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT *We Bring Our Hearts*

+CALL TO WORSHIP

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

All: **And also with you.**

One: Christ is risen from the dead and has become the chief cornerstone in the foundation of the world.

All: **He is the firstfruits of them that slept.**

One: Let us break forth into joy, singing together, for God has brought life out of death and comfort to those who sorrow.

All: **Let us sing for joy because even though human sin brought death, the faithfulness of Christ has brought life.**

One: Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ!

All: **Thanks be to God for the life he has given us in the resurrection of Christ Jesus!**

+HYMN *Celebrate with Joy and Singing* #107

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Redeeming God, we confess to you our lack of faith and our unbelief. Although we call you the God of Hope, we confess that we often feel lost, cynical, and hope-less. Too often our weaknesses and insensitivities stand in the way of new life in our world. Forgive our hardheartedness and our unbelief. Send us your Spirit to renew our faith and soften our hearts so that we may go into the world announce the Good News of your love and grace to all creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, the Risen One. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *Celebrate with Joy and Singing*

Praises be to God our Father, praises be to God the Son

Praises be to God the Spirit, ever Three and ever One

As it was in the beginning, shall be now, and evermore
God's triumphant reign unending, so his name we shall adore

+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 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 *Lord, You Give the Great Commission* #429 vv. 1,2,5

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

EPISTLE READING 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 p. 188 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Coming Home* Martin

GOSPEL READING Mark 16:9-20 p. 47 NT

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Holy, Holy, Holy* arr. Heber

+Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* #592

+Prayer of Dedication

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *The Confession of 1967*

To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as his reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation and shares his labor of healing the enmities which separate us from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call.

+HYMN *Go to the World!* AURELIA

Go to the world! Go into all the earth

Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth
Baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go into every place

Go live the word of God's redeeming grace
Go seek God's presence in each time and space. Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray

The nights of tears give way to joyous day
As servant church you follow Christ's own way. Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send

For I am with you till the age shall end
When all the hosts of glory cry, "Amen." Alleluia!

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *The Grace Of Our Lord*

+POSTLUDE *Carillon (Opus 31)* Vierne

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Isaac Short
- the acolytes are Jamie Lee and Hope Shockley
- the bell ringer is Adryana Counts
- the W.O.W. leaders are Dianne Loomis and Anne Willson
- the nursery volunteers are Seth & Sarah Land
- the sound board tech is Austin Patrick

WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION

Elders: Matt Crum & Joey Lamie

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.

TODAY IS THE END OF OUR 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.

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS:

Sept 6	Proverbs 22	Being passionate people
Sept 13	Psalms 19	Relationship between faith & science
Sept 20	Psalms 1	Being rooted in the community of faith
Sept 27	Psalms 124	Our help is in the name of the Lord

WORSHIP TIME CHANGE – NEXT WEEK! We will return to our regular 11:00 a.m. worship time NEXT Sunday.

MARK SERMON SERIES RECORDINGS: Dennis Bailey has offered to put the entire Gospel of Mark sermon series onto a flash drive for anyone who wishes to have one. The files will be mp3 files, playable on most computers. If you would like to have one, please email or call Donna in the office and let her know. We will put your name on a list and contact you when they are ready.

TRANSLATIONS OF THE GOSPEL OF MARK: If you are interested in owning a copy of The Gospel of Mark as translated by Pastor Tim and used in worship for the last year, they are available on the table in the narthex.

LITURGIST TRAINING CLASS: The next training class for people interested in being a liturgist on Sunday mornings will be on Tuesday, September 1st at 6:00 p.m. The class will last approximately 1 hour and will be led by Pastor Tim at the church in the parlor. If you would like to be a liturgist but are unable to attend the training on this date, please contact Pastor Tim.

HAZEL RAMOS-CANO & RICHARD CANO ~ We would like to thank all those folks who came to our rescue and helped us move last week, including those who brought food and water to hydrate those who were sweltering Wednesday afternoon. We would especially like to thank Michael & Robin Cozart for providing us with a storage POD. Tim put out an email to the congregation and we were overwhelmed by the response. We had 20 to 30 of our church family respond. God had all the while been keeping watch over us. Again, THANK YOU to all of you who expressed the true meaning of Christian love. Praise God!

SERVICE AND OUTREACH

Elders: Alicia Arney, Kay Bunn & Mimi Hull

FAITH in ACTION: September 6th through September 12th is our week to serve, sign-up sheet is on bulletin board in Narthex.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD will be using volunteers to inspect and pack the Christmas Shoeboxes in Boone, NC between November 16th and 23rd. If you have an interest in volunteering on one of those days, please contact Wythe Hull (phone: 276-206-8392 or email: wythe@comcast.net) before September 14th. Please state your day preference.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY
Elders: Georgia Crews & Rachel Fowlkes

THE STEPHEN MINISTRY – Christ Caring For People Through People: This coming week marks the beginning of 50 hours of training for 7 people who have committed themselves to learning the skill of caring ministry. The first week's training concerns two topics. One is titled "The Person of the Caregiver," and trainees will consider five foundational characteristics of a caregiver. The second one is "Feelings: Yours, Mine, and Ours," and we will be learning about the importance of recognizing and accepting all the feelings that people have. These people are a blessing to Sinking Spring, and we wish God's blessings upon them. Keep them in your prayers. The trainees are *Larry Ball, Kay Bunn, Hazel Ramos-Cano, Jan Frazier, Joy Rowe, Isaac Short and Beth Smith.*

CHURCH PICNIC IS TODAY ~ Fellowship will begin at 2:00 p.m. at Sugar Hollow Park – Shelter F. Bring a side dish, lawn chair or blanket. Activities are planned for the children and hamburgers and hotdogs will be served at 5:00 p.m. Visitors, neighbors, and friends are invited to join us for a wonderful time to be had by all. Remember fee is \$1 to bring vehicle into Shelter area.

ATTENTION SENIORS ~ those wishing to attend "Anything Goes" in Jonesborough for the matinee performance on September 12th at 2:00 p.m. please let Winkie know by September 2nd, cost is \$14 per person. Sign-up sheet is on bulletin board in Narthex.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP
Elders: Danny Wilson & Kate Shockley

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Our Wednesday night Bible study is on summer hiatus. We will resume Wednesday night Bible study sometime after Labor Day.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! Rally Day will be September 13th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Donuts, coffee, and juice will be provided. This will be the **first Sunday School Class** of the year. All classes and ages will meet downstairs at 10:00 a.m. for refreshment, meet your teachers and *Rally Together* with a prayer before going to class. Come by the Fellowship Hall and see what class hits your fancy and share a bite to eat.

HOSEA BIBLE STUDY ~ the Bible Study on Hosea will conclude this Wednesday, September 2nd at 9:30 a.m. in the church parlor. Prepare week 6 in the member book.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS – ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL – After School registration forms are due Wednesday, September 2nd. The first day of After School is **Wednesday, September 9th**.

PLEASE SAVE ~ PLASTIC MILK JUG CAPS: Please save your plastic milk jug caps for a project the children will be doing in the fall. You can put your washed caps in the container on the Children's Worship Clipboard table. Thank you!

ADULT LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE is needed for the Nursery, W.O.W. Sunday School and After School programs. Ask God to show you where you are needed; he will equip you to do what He calls you to do. The more adults involved the fewer times you will need to serve. Speak to Janet McGraw today or send an email to: christianeducator@sinkingspring.org

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, August 30th

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
2:00 p.m. Church Picnic – Sugar Hollow – Shelter F

Tuesday, September 1st

5:30 p.m. Spiritual Formation & Discipleship Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m. Liturgist Training Class – Church Parlor
6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training – Grant Room
8:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall
8:00 p.m. Al-Anon (next to Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, September 2nd

9:30 a.m. Women's Hosea Bible Study...Final Week
7:30 p.m. Choir

Thursday, September 3rd

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Shoney's
6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training
8:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 6th Communion

11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for August 23, 2015

Attendance: 136
Offering: \$5,469.00

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), Hazel Warden (Abingdon Rehab), Don Preston and Margaret Peters (now in Abingdon Rehab)

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS: David Thomas

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: Charles Henninger, Richie Hooker, Sherrye and Robert May, Ron Motley, Jennifer Motley, Arville Mullins and Henninger 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

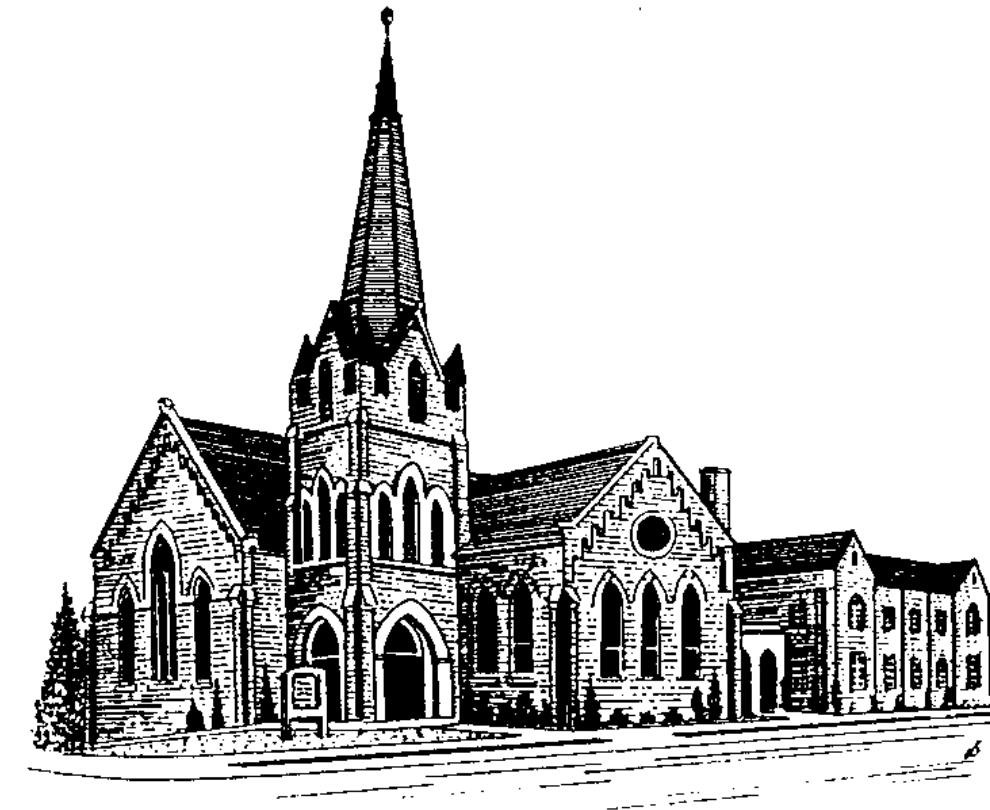
*Names remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer

NEW ADDRESS: Address update for Peta Patton who has moved to Indiana.

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