

33^d Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 13, 2016

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Rondeau

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WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION Service & Outreach Committee

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

O Come and Sing

+CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 52

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

All: **And also with you.**

One: In the Lord we take our refuge. We are like green olive trees, standing in the house of God.

All: **We will trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.**

One: Let us thank the Lord because of what the Lord has done for us.

All: **In the presence of the faithful we will proclaim the name of the Lord, for the Lord's name is good.**

+HYMN OF PRAISE

For the Healing of the Nations

Tune: "God of Grace"

For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord,
for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords.

To a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word,
help us rise and pledge our word

Lead us forward into freedom, from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace.

Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase, fear will die and hope increase

You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind;
that by our response and service earth its destiny may find,
earth its destiny may find.

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Reassuring God, we are an anxious people. We worry about whether or not we belong, whether or not we fit in. We worry that we might be different, that we might not be loved. Forgive us, Lord! Forgive us for forgetting that you provide a place for us where we are loved and accepted, where we fit in because of our differences. Forgive us for not living as people who know they belong. Send us your Spirit to enable us to accept the place that you have prepared for each one of us. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE

For the Fruit of All Creation

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For the fruit of all creation, Thanks be to God!

For the gifts to every nation, Thanks be to God!

For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping;
Future needs in earth's safe keeping, Thanks be to God!

+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 age 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.

+ PREPARATORY HYMN

Rejoice Today With One Accord

INSERT

Tune: "A Mighty Fortress"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING

Isaiah 65: 17-25

p. 655 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Song for The Unsung Hero

Martin

THE GOSPEL TEXT

Luke 21: 5-19

p.74 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Kent Peterson

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory

Lord, I Want To Be A Christian

arr. Berry

+Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

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+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.

+ SENDING HYMN

How Great Thou Art

INSERT

+BENEDICTION & RESPONSE

Father, Give Thy Benediction

+POSTLUDE

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

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+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION

Elders: Matt Crum & Joey Lamie

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Isaac Short
- the bell ringer is Katherine Hortenstine
- the acolytes are: Hope Shockley and Morgan Crum
- the Big WOW. leaders are David & Emma Shockley
- the Little WOW. leaders are: Dianne Loomis and Jeni Holt
- the nursery volunteers are: Vickie Crigger and Amanda Livingston
- the sound board tech is Gloria Wadle

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.

SOUND BOARD ~ Volunteers are needed to operate Sound Board on the fourth Sunday of each month. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 276.628.3361 or see Matt Crum or Joey Lamie for information.

SPENCER MILLER CONCERT TODAY - at 3:00 p.m. featuring JAZZ: AMERICA'S MUSIC. Dr. Joseph Trivette will lead styles of Jazz including Dixieland, Big Band Swing and more. Virginia Highlands Community College faculty, staff and students are admitted free and community admission is \$10.

ADVENT WREATH CANDLE LIGHTERS NEEDED: If you, your family, your group of friends, Sunday School Class, Fellowship Group, or any other combination of folks are interested in lighting the Advent wreath candles on one of the Sundays in Advent, please let Matt Crum or Joey Lamie know or contact church office at 276.628.3361. Advent begins on November 27th.

WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE MATT VANCE JOIN OUR WORSHIP TODAY. He will be playing for our prelude, offertory and postlude with Dr. Trivette. Matt will be performing as part of the Spencer-Miller Recital Series this afternoon.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA'S will need to be ordered soon, see insert for more information.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY

Elders: Georgia Crews & Jan Hardman

STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINEES will be meeting today to learn more about ministering to those experiencing grief. Realizing that grief can be healthy, they are learning to recognize and help people through the various stages in the process of grieving. As the Stephen Ministry training continues, we get closer to the commissioning of these people for their ministry among us. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

FOLLOWING WORSHIP TODAY a Congregational Meeting will convene to elect the 2017 Nominating Committee. The 2016 Nominating Committee and Session have selected the following nominees for your consideration: Rachel Fowlkes (Session representative), Richard Cano (Session representative), Angie Haynes (At Large member), and Dave Shockley (At Large member).

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP
Elders: Kate Shockley & Stanley Haynes

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY ~ Any child in Kindergarten through 5th grade who wants to participate in the Children's Christmas play, come to the church Wednesday, November 16th at 4:00 p.m. to receive a part and begin practice. For more information contact Janet McGraw christianeducator@sinkingspring.org

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS are available for all children. If you do not receive one when you enter the Sanctuary, ask an usher for one. There are crayons in a basket on table outside the office.

TODAY ~ ~ NOVEMBER 13TH – YOUTH OUTING to include Middle School and High School youth *"Let's Go Bowling"* at Interstate Bowling, exit 7. Meet at church by 2:00 p.m.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH
Elders: Mimi Hull & Alice Rainey

SOCIAL CLUB IS THURSDAY NIGHT - Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church will host the Social Club on November 17th at 5:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. **Volunteers are needed.** If you have any small "gift" items you'd like to donate for use as **bingo prizes**, they would be most appreciated. Prizes may be brought to the church office Monday – Thursday between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

ABINGDON MANOR ANGEL TREE: All angels have been adopted. When the adopted "angel(s)" gifts are returned, each angel should have **one** gift bag, gift box or container that includes all items purchased for that angel with the tag taken from the tree taped, tied or otherwise affixed so that gift is given to the correct "angel". **All gifts need to be returned by December 4th.**

THANKS FOR ALL who worked and donated to Faith in Action during October and November. Our church donated financially to purchase approximately 3,200 food items and brought in 21 food items. We provided over 71 hours from 28 volunteers, who served 276 families = 771 individuals including 232 children. To help, you may bring canned food (place in basket at the stairs), donate money (FiA in the memo line), and/or serve during our next turn, February 19th – 24th, 2017. (FiA will be closed the week after Christmas). Thanks for your continued faith in action!

TOOTHPASTE FOR INMATES: Good News Jail & Prison Ministry would like to express their gratitude for your generous gifts of toothpaste that will add to the inmates Christmas gift bags.



IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, November 13th

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
 12:00 p.m. Congregational Meeting
 3:00 p.m. Spencer Miller Concert – Jazz: America's Music
 4:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

Tuesday, November 15th

8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall
 8:00 p.m. Al Anon next to Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 16th

3:30 p.m. After School
 6:30 p.m. Bell Rehearsal
 7:30 p.m. Choir

Thursday, November 17th

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Shoney's
 5:30 p.m. Social Club Dinner
 8:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, November 19th

6:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 20th

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

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for November 6, 2016

Attendance: 142
 Offering: \$7,000
 Hunger Offering: \$475

CHURCH BULLETINS are available on our website! The link to view is <http://www.sinkingspring.org/worship.html#w>

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: Mazie Cook (Commonwealth Assisted Living), Reed Cooke (Commonwealth Assisted Living), Hazel Warden (Abingdon Rehab), Don Preston, Claude Greever (English Meadows), Marjorie Addison (English Meadows), Dorothy Phillips (English Meadows) and Helen Napps

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS: Joe Hutton and family (death of his brother Jim)

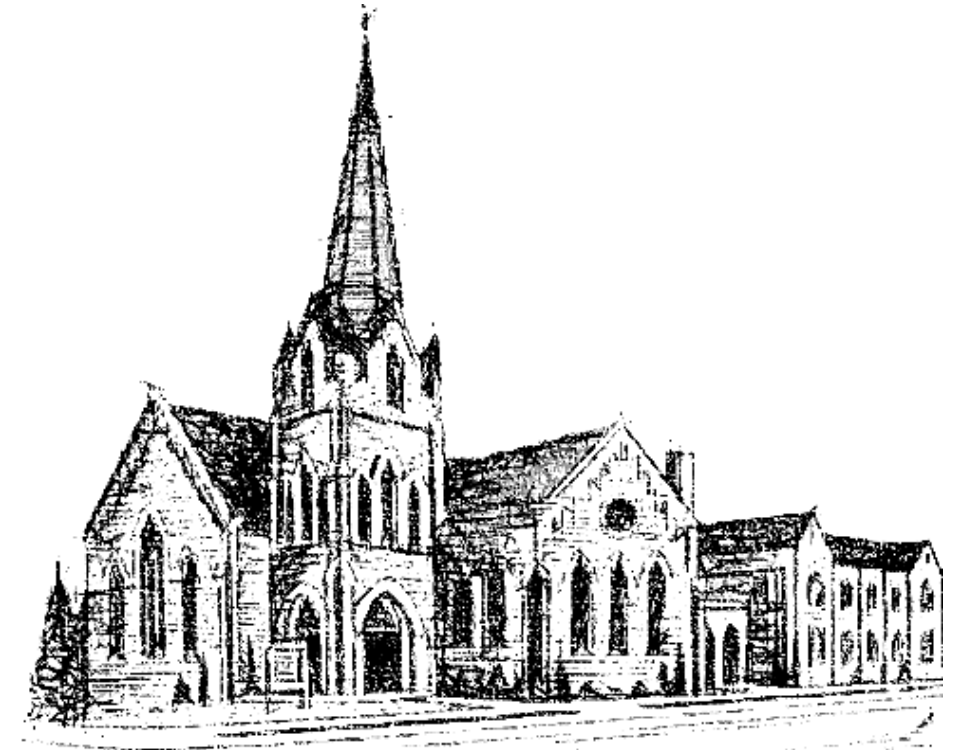
WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: Richie Hooker, Mary Barr and Family of Shelia Reynolds

AND FOR THESE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY: Joseph McGraw, Walter Holcomb Jr., John Nowell II, John Nowell III, Dexter Bevis and Miles Ratliff

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

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*Responding to God's grace,
 we are called to be a welcoming community,
 following Jesus, serving joyfully,
 and sharing God's love with each other and the world.*



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