

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 5th, 2016

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Aria for Allison* J. Smith-Briggs

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT *Enter We Now*

+CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 146*

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

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us praise the Lord as long as we live!

All: **We will sing praises to God for the rest of our lives!**

One: The Lord sets the prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down, upholds the orphan and the widow.

All: **The Lord will reign forever, for all generations. Praise the Lord!**

+HYMN OF PRAISE *I'll Praise My Maker* #253, vv. 1-3

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you have called us into your church to be your servants in the service of others. Forgive us for falling short of your call. We have loved our buildings more than our brothers and sisters. We have been more concerned with budgets than we have with feeding the hungry and clothing the naked. We have been more ready to talk about Christ than we have been to live in Christ's image. Forgive us, Lord. Send us your Spirit to cut through our evasions, increase our courage, and renew our vision. Make us and the whole church more nearly what you would have us be; through Jesus Christ, whose Body we are. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *I'll Praise My Maker* #253, v. 4

I'll praise my Maker while I've breath;

And when my voice is lost in death, praise shall employ my nobler powers

My days of praise shall ne'er be past while life and thought and being last

Or immortality endures.

+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 *If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee* #282

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Isaiah 58:1-11 p. 647 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Was I Faithful?* Hamlin/McDonald

GOSPEL READING Matthew 25:31-40 p. 25 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED Larry Bays

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Chorale on "Foundation"* J. Lincker

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

+Prayer of Dedication

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from The Confession of 1967*

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His life as a human being involves the church in the common life of all humanity. His service to humankind commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of humankind so that it discloses to the church God's judgment on our inhumanity towards one another and the awful consequences of our own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

+ SENDING HYMN *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* #343

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *Go Forth In Peace*

+POSTLUDE *Passacaglia* G. Young

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Janet McGraw
- the bell ringer is Ross Gibson
- the WOW. leaders are Sandy Smith and Jeni Holt
- the Little WOW. leaders are Emily Gibson and Amanda Godfrey
- the nursery volunteers are Rachel & Trent Bales
- the sound board tech is Gloria Wadle

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 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.

SUMMER WORSHIP TIME – *Worship will be at 10:00 a.m.* for the months of JUNE AND JULY. The Session also felt that these two months should be more informal. We will be making a couple of changes to the worship order for a more relaxed environment, the pastor and the choir will not wear robes, and worshipers are invited to dress more casually, as well. In August we will return to our regular time and attire.

TODAY WE WELCOME LARRY BAYS to the pulpit while Pastor Tim is visiting his mom in Gallatin, TN. Larry is the Executive Director of Ecumenical Faith in Action, a supported mission of this congregation that serves people in this area living in poverty or crisis. Larry will be speaking to us about the ministry of EFIA, how we can best continue to support this vital ministry in our community, and why EFIA does what it does.

WELCOME TO JOY SMITH-BRIGGS who is filling in on the organ this morning while Dr. Trivette is travelling with the Southwest Virginia Children's Choir. The ensemble is singing for worship at the Duke Chapel in Durham, NC.

THE SERMONS THIS SUMMER will be based on passages from the Revised Common Lectionary. The Revised Common Lectionary is a three-year cycle of readings from Scripture used by Protestant denominations all over the world that coincide with the Christian liturgical calendar. The idea behind the Lectionary is that over a three-year period, congregations will be exposed to the full range of Biblical texts and the entirety of the Biblical story. In addition, congregations all over the world will be hearing and meditating on the same passage of Scripture, emphasizing our unity as the Body of Christ.

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS:

June 5	Matthew 25:31-40	Larry Bays, Ecumenical Faith in Action
June 12	Luke 7:36-8:3	The Anointing of Jesus
June 19	Galatians 3:23-29	Finding Unity in the Body of Christ
June 26	TBD	Rev. Schaap Freeman preaching
July 3	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	The Lord's Day & Independence Day



CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY
Elders: Georgia Crews & Jan Hardman

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the annual Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church Picnic, August 21st at Sugar Hollow Park, Shelter F.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP
Elders: Kate Shockley & Stanley Haynes

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Wednesday night Bible study has concluded for the spring and will be on a summer hiatus. Please watch the bulletin for information about our Fall Bible study.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUSPENSION ~ All Sunday School classes during the Summer Worship Time Change will be suspended.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORMS are available for you to register your child/ren for VBS this summer. The dates are July 11 – 14 (just 4 days this year) from 9:00 a.m. till 12:00 p.m. here at Sinking Spring. The forms are located on the children's Worship clipboard table. If you know your child/ren will attend please pre-register them now. It will give the leaders a better idea of how many to plan for. If you have any questions, contact Janet McGraw at 628.3361 or by email: christianeducator@sinkingspring.org

SNACKS NEEDED FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL You can help by bringing in a snack item to be used during the week of VBS, July 11-14. There is a container in the Narthex for you to place your items. Some suggestions are: popcorn, goldfish, vanilla wafers, graham crackers, cookies – (NO peanut butter), animal crackers, chips, crackers or pretzels. Please stay away from anything with peanuts as some children are allergic. Thank you for helping in this way!

SERVICE AND OUTREACH
Elders: Mimi Hull & Alice Rainey

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE! We will be helping the Kids' Backpack Program staff, staff and distribute food boxes to local students in June & July! Please mark your calendar for the following: Monday, June 13 at 5:00 p.m. – prepare food boxes, followed by distribution to local homes; Tuesday, June 14 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – staff the onsite distribution at Abingdon Elementary School. 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 5-6.

THANKS FOR ALL who worked and donated to Faith in Action during May. Our church gave financially to purchase approximately 1,620 food items. We provided 55 hours from 21 volunteers, who served 175 families equally 487 individuals including 155 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 on July 10 – 15. Thanks for your continued faith in action!

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, June 5th

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Monday, June 6th

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

Tuesday, June 7th

6:30 p.m. Congregational Ministry Committee Meeting
6:30 p.m. Property Management Steering Team Meeting
8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall
8:00 p.m. Al Anon next to Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 8th

7:30 p.m. Choir

Thursday, June 9th

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

Saturday, June 11th

6:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, June 12th

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for May 29, 2016

Attendance: 175
Offering – Week of May 29: \$6,400

THE HUNGER OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED TODAY

CHURCH BULLETINS are 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, Reed Cooke (Commonwealth Assisted Living), Hazel Warden (Abingdon Rehab), Don Preston, Claude Greever (English Meadows), Marjorie Addison (English Meadows) and Helen Napps

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS:

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: Richie Hooker and Ernie & Mary Barr

AND FOR THESE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY: Joseph McGraw, Mark Widener, 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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