

# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31st, 2016

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *How Firm a Foundation* arr. Trivette

## WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### +PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### +CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 5

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
All: **And also with you.**  
One: Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength  
All: **We will worship the Lord in holy splendor**  
One: Ascribe to the Lord the greatness of His name.  
All: **We will worship the Lord who is full of majesty**  
One: May the Lord give strength to His people  
All: **May the Lord bless His people with peace.**

+HYMN OF PRAISE *Seek Ye First* #333

### +PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of compassion and understanding, keep us from turning our self-worth into self-centeredness. We seek to live in the world with courage and confidence, and yet remain humble before you. We want to be resourceful, yet recognize our dependence upon you. Help us to hold on to all that you have taught us, and rejoice in the good you have given us. Fill our hearts and minds with the love and knowledge of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### +ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* #579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be  
World without end. Amen. Amen.

### MINUTE FOR MISSION

### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples. Afterward, children age 5 thru 3<sup>rd</sup> grade may go to Worship Our Way (W.O.W.) while children in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and older are invited to worship with their families.

+ PREPARATORY HYMN *Amazing Grace* #280

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### HEBREW BIBLE READING

This is the Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

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SPECIAL MUSIC *Let There Be Peace On Earth*

R. Dean Barr, tenor

Miller

### EPISTLE READING

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### THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Alan Baldwin

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Soon and Very Soon* Crouch  
+Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* #592  
Prayer of Dedication

### +AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *A Brief Statement of Faith* (1983)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world; the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

+ SENDING HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* #339

### +BENEDICTION AND ADJOURNMENT

+POSTLUDE *Marche Pontificale* Gounod

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

## WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION Elders: Matt Crum & Joey Lamie

### THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Helen Phillips
- the bell ringer is Milo Leidig
- the W.O.W. leaders are Lisa Crum and Leah Fleenor
- the Little W.O.W. leaders are Jane Leidig and Jeni Holt
- the nursery volunteers are Vickie Crigger and Rachel Fowlkes
- 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 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.

**TODAY IS THE LAST DAY OF SUMMER WORSHIP TIME – *Worship will return to the regular time of 11:00 a.m.*** next Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.

**WE WELCOME PASTOR ALAN BALDWIN** to the pulpit this morning, Pastor Baldwin was in the first group of what was at the time Certified Lay Pastor's about thirty years ago and has been since. He served one church for 24 years and another for 2 years, and owns an insurance agency in Marion which is a family business since the early 1960's. Pastor Baldwin has a Bachelor's degree for VI in Psychology in 1982, with one seminary class in Reformed Theology.

**POSTLUDES FOR SUMMER** will highlight classical and hymn-tune marches for organ. The *Pontifical Anthem and March*, also known as the *Papal Anthem*, is the anthem played to mark the presence of the Pope or when the Vatican's flag is ceremonially raised. While the *Papal Anthem* also serves as the national anthem of the Holy City and the Vatican City State, the Vatican stresses that it "is not to be understood as a national anthem"; it is a composition whose words and music "speak to the heart of many throughout the world who see in Rome – the City of Peter."

**THE NEW MAILING ADDRESS FOR PASTOR TIM & FAMILY** is 8883 Carriage House Way, Knoxville, TN 37923. Phone numbers will stay the same for the time being.

**THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH** for the lovely luncheon, reception, and all the cards and gifts you so lovingly gave our family. We will always treasure Sinking Spring Presbyterian church and its wonderful congregation. Your generosity of spirit is an inspiration to us and to the entire community of Abingdon. We will always remember you in our prayers and ask that you remember us in yours. We will take a piece of each of you with us into the next "scene" as we continue to faithfully follow God's calling in our lives. We love and miss you all! *Grace & Peace, Tim, Tuesday, Seth & Lily*

**THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY** are in recognition of *Janet McGraw* for 20 years of service here at Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church.

**STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY**  
**Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard**

**Mark your calendar - CONGREGATIONAL PROPERTY WORKDAY** on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. till 12:00, coffee/donuts at 7:30 a.m. We need your help cleaning, caulking, painting, landscaping and repairs. Bring tools, if available, that will fit in for what you might want to do. Come with or without tools, we will have tools and materials available. We REALLY need you. Copies of the Task List will be available for pickup at both entrances beginning today. Please call the church office at 628.3361 and advise Donna if you will be available to help

**CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY**  
**Elders: Georgia Crews & Jan Hardman**

**JUST A REMINDER TO ADD TO YOUR AUGUST CALENDAR:** the annual church picnic is August 21<sup>st</sup> at Sugar Hollow Park, Shelter F, come join in the fellowship and fun activities beginning at 3:00 p.m., hotdogs, hamburgers and more will be served at 5:00 p.m. Hope to see you there.

**MANY THANKS TO THE GOOD FOLKS** that helped clean the kitchen and fellowship hall last week! Teddy Bundy, Brennon Kimbler, Alice Rainey and Vickie Wilson selflessly gave of their time to help. Thanks to them, the windows are clean, appliances sparkle, cabinets are organized and much more. Look for another work day later this year!

**SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP**  
**Elders: Kate Shockley & Stanley Haynes**

**UNDER CONSTRUCTION:** Sunday School, classes to start by October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**COMING SOON:** Wednesday Night Bible Study, class to start by October. Stay tuned for more information.

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL!** August 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. Whew... it's still hot and we don't want to go back to school! All are invited for ice cream in the Fraley Yard. Bring a chair or a blanket, bring a lawn game or play Beach Ball tic-tac-toe! We would love to see everyone there, come and make your own bowl and top it with goodies till it can't hold anymore.

**ELEMENTARY AFTER SCHOOL BEGINS SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>!** Watch you mail for information and registration forms.

**SERVICE AND OUTREACH**  
**Elders: Mimi Hull & Alice Rainey**

**THANKS TO ALL** who worked and donated to Faith in Action during July. We provided 93 hours from 33 volunteers, who served 190 families = 519 individuals including 145 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 September 6 – 9 (closed Labor Day).

**THE FAITH IN ACTION GOLF TOURNAMENT** will be held on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. **Deadline for registration is August 8<sup>th</sup>.** Both sponsors and players are needed. If you are interested in either there are information sheets hanging on the mission board in the Narthex.

**MANY THANKS ~ Thank You** to all who brought school supplies. Forty-three (43) back-to-school kits were delivered to Faith in Action. Your generosity is a blessing to others!

**IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**TODAY, Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>**

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary  
12:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

**Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>**

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

**Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

1:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Property Mgmt. Steering Team Mtg.  
8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall  
8:00 p.m. Al Anon next to Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

**Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> Communion**

11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary  
1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training  
3:00 p.m. Virginia Highlands Festival Concert in Sanctuary

**STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY**  
**Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard**

**Stewardship & Attendance** for July 24, 2016

Attendance: 200  
Offering – Week of July 24: \$6,533.

**HUNGER OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED NEXT SUNDAY**

**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), Helen Napps and Rosemary Sweet (Abingdon Rehab)

**WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS:**

**WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS:** Richie Hooker, Ernie & Mary Barr, Dennis Bailey and Peggy Reed

**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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**July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016**