

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 14th, 2016

11:00 a.m.

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

+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

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

#288

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of new birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a people hungry for good news. We have been so preoccupied with ourselves that we have missed the joy that you offer us. We have been so concerned with making a living that we have missed the Life you have set among us. We have been so worried about what others think of us that we have missed the fact that you love us. Forgive us, gracious God. Send us your Spirit to open our eyes and hearts to receive your love and acceptance, and to open our lips and our hands to share them with others. In the name of Jesus we pray. 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.

+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

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

#562

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING

Job 38: 1-11

p. 447 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Was I Faithful

Hamlin/McDonald

GOSPEL READING

Mark 4: 35-41

p. 33 NT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"Why are you afraid?"

Dr. Brian Alderman

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory

+Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

#592

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Presbyterian Study Catechism

The uncompromising judgment of God is revealed in the suffering love of the cross of Christ. Because of Jesus Christ, God forgives my sins and no longer holds my sins against me. Christ alone is my righteousness and my life; Christ is my only hope. Grace alone, not my merits, is the basis on which God has forgiven me in him. Faith alone, not my works, is the means by which I receive Christ into my heart, and with him the forgiveness that makes me whole. Christ alone, grace alone, and faith alone bring the forgiveness I receive through the Gospel.

+ SENDING HYMN

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

#326

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.

Hast Thou not bid us love Thee, God and King;
All, all thine own; soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
I see Thy cross, there teach my heart to cling.
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!

Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh;
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame;
The baptism of the heaven-descended Dove,
My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.

+BENEDICTION & RESPONSE

Go Forth In Peace

+POSTLUDE

WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION
Elders: Matt Crum & Joey Lamie

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Amanda Livingston
- the bell ringer is Adryana Counts
- the acolytes are: Hope Shockley and Morgan Crum
- the WOW. leaders are Joey & Bridget Lamie
- the Little WOW. leaders are Trent & Rachel Bales
- the nursery volunteers are Jan Hardman and Kay Bunn
- 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.

WE WELCOME SCHERY COLLINS TO WORSHIP this morning. Schery is filling in on the organ while Dr. Trivette is on vacation.

WE WELCOME DR. BRIAN ALDERMAN TO THE PULPIT TODAY. Dr. Alderman is a native of Galax, VA, serves as Chaplain and Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion at King University. Brian received his B.A. at Lee College, his M.Div. at Princeton Theological Seminary, and his Ph.D. in Hebrew Bible at Emory University. He has taught at McAfee School of Theology (Mercer University), Lee University, and Hiwassee College. He has also served as pastor of Madisonville Presbyterian Church in Madisonville, TN, and as chaplain at Hiwassee College. Brian lives in Bristol, TN with his wife, Monica, and their daughter, Ella Kate.

Jesus said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!"
Then the wind ceased, and there was a
dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you
afraid? Have you still no faith?"
And they were filled with great awe
and said to one another,
"Who then is this, that even the
wind and the sea obey him?"



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+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY
Elders: Georgia Crews & Jan Hardman

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC is *next Sunday, August 21st* at Sugar Hollow Park, Shelter F...entry fee for vehicle is \$1 - so carpool with a friend, bring a covered dish, lounge chair or blanket and join us. Bring a towel to dry off the kiddies after fun and games and maybe a splash in the creek while the adults socialize. Activities will begin at 3:00 p.m. and hamburgers and hotdogs will be served at 5:00 p.m.

OUR FOUR NEWEST STEPHEN MINISTER trainees continue their journey as they work today on honing listening skills. They are finding out that listening well is extremely helpful and caring but is also hard work. How blessed we are to have Bridget Lamie, Jane Leidig, Kent Peterson and Helen Phillips preparing to care for those in need of Christ's loving care! Please continue to pray for them and for God's blessings upon their ministries.

NEW ADDRESS: Kitty and Gerry Henninger have moved to English Meadows. The New Mailing Address and **New Phone Number** is:

Kitty & Gerry Henninger
English Meadows (#136)
15089 Harmony Hills Lane
Abingdon, VA 24211
276.619.5868

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP
Elders: Kate Shockley & Stanley Haynes

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

ELEMENTARY AFTER SCHOOL BEGINS ON September 7th. If you haven't received information in the mail and are interested, please contact Janet McGraw christianeducator@sinkingspring.org

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: Sunday School, classes to start by October 2nd.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL! Is TODAY at 3:00 p.m. Everyone is 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.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS are available for all children upon entering the church. Make sure you ask one of the ushers for one if you are not given one. **Pockets**, a magazine for children, is available on the table outside the office.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH
Elders: Mimi Hull & Alice Rainey

HEALTHY FAMILIES-FAMILY FARMS AND PIZZA INN Join the fun and plan to come to the annual Healthy Families-Family Farms Fundraiser on Monday, August 22nd at Pizza Inn, anytime from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Tickets are available, contact Beverly Meadows (cell: 301.461.3633, email: bmeadows2685@comcast.net) or Alice Rainey (cell: 678.427.2560, email: alrainey@comcast.net). This is a great way to have fun with friends and support the important work of HFFF.

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, August 14th

11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
2:00 p.m. Faith in Action Golf Tournament
3:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social

Monday, August 15th

6:30 p.m. Session Meeting

Tuesday, August 16th

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

Thursday, August 18th

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

Saturday, August 20th

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

Sunday, August 21st

11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
3:00 p.m. Annual Church Picnic – Sugar Hollow, Shelter F

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for August 7, 2016

Attendance: 147
Offering – Week of August 7: \$9,150
Hunger Offering: \$175

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, Family of Max Ober - (Liz Edelman), 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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