

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 14, 2020

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune

V. Williams

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

R. Dean Barr, Liturgist

Leader: People of God: Make a joyful noise to the Lord.
Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

People: The Lord is good. His steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: We belong to the Lord. We are his people.
And the sheep of his pasture.

People: The Lord is good. His steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord. Bless his holy name.
Enter his sanctuary with thanksgiving and praise.

**People: The Lord is good. His steadfast love endures forever.
Let us give him thanks and praise his name.**

OPENING PRAYER

You are our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, and our assurance of the present moment. You are the One who is God with us this day and every day. We assemble to worship you in joy and thanksgiving, but we also gather with mixed emotions and feelings. We sense our lives and our world spinning out of control; therefore, some of us come hopeful and joyful, while others of us come, unsure, grieving, perplexed, and afraid. But mostly, we come trusting...trusting your grace, your faithfulness, your newness, and your deep resolve to never leave us or forsake us. You are the One who is faithful and sure, and we gather in that assurance, which we receive in Jesus Christ, who is the solid rock upon which we stand. It is in his name that we worship, this day and every day, praying together the prayer that he taught us, saying,

“Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

See insert

Praise Ye the Lord, The Almighty

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Liturgist

Leader: Sisters and brothers, this is the primal truth of our faith: “Jesus Christ is the Messiah. He is the living Son of God!” In that assurance and knowledge, let us confess our sins.

People: You are the God from whom no secret can be hid, and we are a people with many secrets, that we want to tell for the sake of our lives, that we are reluctant to tell because they are deep and painful. But they are our secrets...and they count from much; they are our truth...rooted deep in our lives. You are the God of all truth, and now we ask that you hear our truth, about which we will not bear false witness: The truth of grief unresolved, the truth of pain unacknowledged, the truth of forgiveness withheld, the truth of fear too child-like, the truth of hate as powerful as it is deep, and the truth of resentment that is bitter. We trust the great truth of your wondrous love and grace, but we will not sit for it, until you hear us. Our truth heard by you sets us free. So be the God of all truth, even our truth, we pray in the name of Jesus, who is the solid rock of our truth. Amen.

(A prayer of confession by Walter Brueggemann in *Walter Brueggemann, Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth: Prayers of Walter Brueggemann* (Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2003) p. 25)

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S MERCY

Liturgist

Leader: Hear this good news: God brings deliverance freely and swiftly. Therefore, lift up your voice. Rejoice and be glad. Be grateful and be at peace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

PREPARATORY HYMN

See insert

The Church’s One Foundation

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43:15-21, 51:1-3

Liturgist
p. 632; 640 OT

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Philippians 3:7-14

Liturgist
p. 175 NT

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

MUSICAL SELECTION

Adams

The Holy City
Amber Cox, Trumpet

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 16:13-26

Rev. Campbell
p. 15 NT

This is the Gospel of Christ
Praise be to you, O Christ.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Rev. Kevin Campbell

“Passionate Remembering; Faithful Forgetting”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

CALL TO GRATITUDE

HYMN OF UNDERSTANDING

See insert

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Apostles’ Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life-everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF SENDING

See Insert

Jesus Calls Us

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Rock of Ages

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SERVICE & OUTREACH MINISTRY
Elders: Angie Haynes and Richie Hooker

STOCK THE BOX! The food pantry is need of replenishment. Items needed: canned meat (Spam, tuna, chicken, etc.), oatmeal, cereal, peanut butter, soup, canned spaghetti, ravioli, beanie weenies, beans, beef stew, chili, vegetables, etc. Foods that are packaged as individual servings and cans with pop tops are also needed. **Please do not put items in the box that are out of date or that have been opened and partially used.** Also, no glass containers. Other items needed include manual can openers, toilet tissue, dish detergent, laundry detergent, shampoo, toothpaste/toothbrush, deodorant, feminine products, and soap. You may either place your items in the box itself or place them in the crate that is in the narthex. We can also arrange for someone to pick up items from your home. Thank you for your continued support of the blessing box ministry.

SERVE AT FAITH IN ACTION: Sinking Spring's next dates to serve at Faith in Action is June 22, 23, and 26, - see calendar for times. Various safety measures have been implemented to protect volunteers as well as the people seeking assistance. If you feel comfortable working, individuals are needed to pack carts, work the computer desk, stock shelves and bag USDA or church food. If you can help, please email angiehaynes18@gmail.com or call 276-698-4123.

2020 GRADUATES

MAKENZIE ALEXIS BROWN, granddaughter of Danny & Louise Brown, graduated from Karnes High School in Knoxville, TN. She was a cheerleader, served as a Peer Tutor and a member of the National Honor Society. Makenzie was also dual enrolled at Pellissippi State Community College in the fall of her senior year. She was voted "Best All Around" superlative by her senior classmates and voted 2020 Basketball Homecoming Queen by the student body. Makenzie is a sweet, genuine young lady with a kind spirit and compassion toward others. She plans to attend East Tennessee State University in the fall.

MADISON ALSTON COZART, daughter of Michael & Robin Cozart, graduated Magna Cum Laude from Abingdon High School. She was a member of the National Honor Society and DECA and Youth Alive Clubs. Madi also qualified for the National Junior Hunter Finals to be held in August. She plans to attend Virginia Tech and her major will be Agribusiness.

ABIGAL MCGRAW, granddaughter of Dean & Janet McGraw, and great-granddaughter of Virginia Evans, graduated from Ocean Lakes High School in Virginia Beach, VA. Abby is planning to attend the University of Delaware in the fall majoring in Environmental Engineering.

EMMA SHOCKLEY, daughter of David & Kate Shockley, graduated from Abingdon High School Cum Laude and was recognized as a member of the National Honor Society, a Washington County Scholar, and member of the Scholastic Team and Color Guard. Emma has been a "big" part of Sinking Spring since 2005. She attended Preschool, was part of the After-School program for elementary and middle school youth. She has attended and assisted with Vacation Bible School. Confirmed by Pastor Tim, Emma has been the Senior High Youth representative for the last three years at Sinking Spring. Emma plans to attend Appalachian State University to study History and Political Science.

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, June 14

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Monday, June 15

6:30 p.m. Session Meeting

Tuesday, June 16

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

Wednesday, June 17

10:00 a.m. Wednesday's with Kevin and the Psalms - Zoom
6:30 p.m. Wednesday's with Kevin and the Psalms - Zoom

Thursday, June 18

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

Saturday, June 20

6:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Family Worship Service - Zoom

Sunday, June 21 Father's Day

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Times to Serve Faith in Action: June 22 - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
June 23 - 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
June 26 - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: Jean Johnson (English Meadows), Sherrye May (home) Eleanor Munsey (home), George Treadwell (home)

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS:

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: Winkie Barton, Belden Evans, Bob Horsch, Randa McCall, Bob Tolar

AND FOR THESE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY: Joseph McGraw, Walter Holcomb Jr. (Afghanistan), John Nowell II, John Nowell III, Dexter Bevis and Travis Womer (Middle East)

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

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY at Shoney's will resume next Thursday, June 18, at 7:00 a.m.

Ballad Health Coronavirus Pre-Screening Number: 833.822.5523
Virginia Department of Health: 877.275.8343

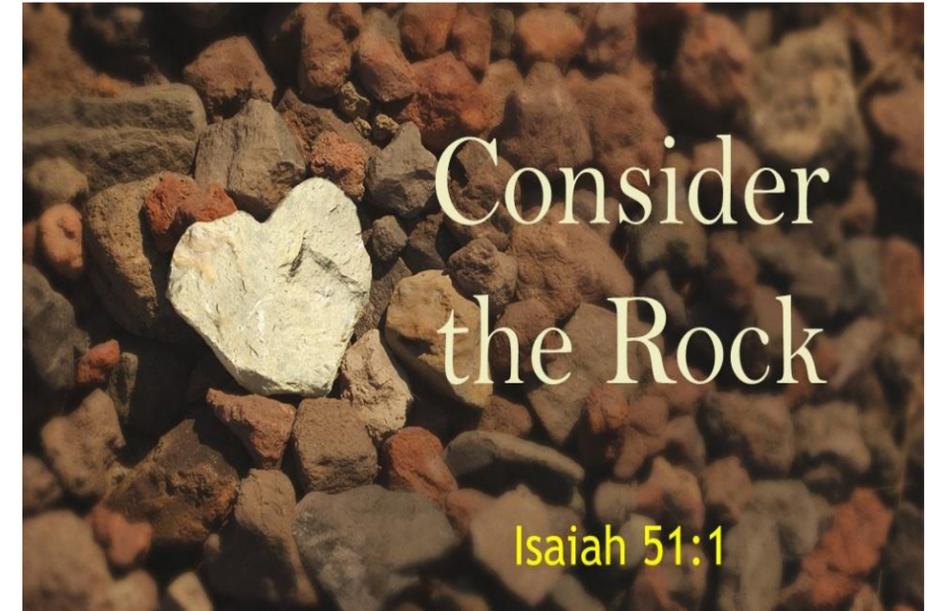
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Faithful Forgetting**



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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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