

Seeking, Sharing, Serving



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GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Apart from Christ, we can do nothing.

P: Let us seek to live in Christ, as the branches have life from the vine.

L: Apart from God, we cannot bear fruit.

P: Let us seek God's glory as we bear good fruit for the vinegrower.

L: Apart from the Spirit, we cannot love.

P: Let us seek to love, because God has first loved us.

L: Let us worship God!

HYMN

Christ is Mine Forevermore

City Alight

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator God, you love us so deeply that you have given Jesus Christ, your only begotten Son, to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Yet, we confess that we have not consistently considered ourselves dead to sin; we have not always answered your love with love; we have not always responded to your voice calling us to obedience; we have not always shared the love of Christ with others. Forgive us. Prune and cleanse us. Free us from sin and liberate us for loving, in Jesus' name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

L: No matter what anyone says, what God says is greater:

P: Eternal life is Ours if we accept the life given to us in Christ.

L: There is no condemnation for those who live in Christ, but an invitation to holy living and complete joy! So know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

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.

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

ANTHEM Still Waters Steph Macleod

NT LESSON John 15:1-8 & Acts 8:26-29

SERMON Not Pets, Not Servants, But Children

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HYMN He Will Hold Me Fast Shane & Shane

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

PRAYERS

PRAYER CONCERNS

Pat Shiflett Charlotte Dale Evan Smith Nancy Swisher Martha Wilkerson Nita Wimer

Amanda Harris The Family of Kay Mader

Nedra Keenan (The Wright's Niece who has cancer)

SHUT-INS

Charlotte Dale – Shenandoah Nursing and Rehab Brannock Easley Tim Clemmer Jean Flower - Legacy

BIRTHDAYS

2 James Mader

10 Jackson Wyatt Rusimisel

ANNIVERSARIES

3 Bliss & Pickle Nuckols

SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Cole A Smiley, Army - Grandson of Nita & Woodie Wimer Scott Dice – Son of Melissa and Harry Dice Nick Dubyk – Grandson of Betty and the late Willis Clemmer Christopher Todd – Grandson of Ralph and the late Ruth Weller Matthew Witcofsky – Son of Janet and Joe Witcofsky

QUICK REMINDER

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.

THE SESSION

Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Andy Easley	Linda Queen	Frank Brown
Jo Fields	Mark Robertson	Mary Rainey
Matthew Ramsey	Nancy Swisher	Debbie Sedr
Joe Witcofsky	Paul Wolfe	Jerry Siford
Evan R. Smith, Moderator		Nancy Swisher, Clerk
TRUSTEES		
Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2022
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Secretary	•••••	Talitha Hippeard
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Historian		Kay Mader
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Membership & OutreachDeb		Debbie Sedr & Linda Queen
Mission & Community ServiceFra		Frank Brown & Jo Fields
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Property		Matt Ramsey & Paul Wolfe
Personnel		Pam Snyder
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