

Seeking, Sharing, Serving



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The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith Pastor Welcome to the house of the Lord! May God's grace and peace fill you.

PRELUDE

STRIKING THE HOUR GREETING CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

> Announcements Prayer Concerns

INTROIT Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Mary Jo Ramsey-Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: May your way may be known upon earth, O God; your saving power among all nations.
- P: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- L: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.
- P: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- L: Let us worship God!

HYMN Come, thou Fount of Every Blessing CH 11

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God Almighty, you have revealed that the gates of your holy city will always be open, for they will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. We confess we long for such a place, for we are weary of worldliness, of subtle deceptions, of outright lies, of sins we see committed around us and those we see in ourselves. Forgive us, we pray, for all our iniquities, and release us especially from those sins that have a greater grip on us than we have mastery over them. Prepare our hearts, minds, souls, and bodies to worship you; may we each be written, by the light of his lamp, into the

Lamb's book of Life; for it is in Jesus' name that we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

- L: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.
- P: For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.
- L: May the Lord turn your mourning into dancing and clothe you with joy, so that you may praise the Lord and not be silent.
- P: O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever!

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Into My Heart CH 485

Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart, Lord Jesus. Come in today, come in to stay. Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

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

Offertory

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

ANTHEM How Can I Keep From Singing Mary Jo Ramsey-Smith

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.

NT LESSON Acts 16:9-15

SERMON An Amazing Detour

The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith

HYMN Blessed Assurance CH 572

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING Blest Be the Tie That Binds Everyone

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS

Prayer Concerns

Charlotte Dale

Stewart Sherwood

Linda Queen

Dick Hippeard

D. W. Sensabaugh

Martha Wilkerson

Linda Lickliter

Sue Gochenour

Linda Fry

Shut-Ins

Charlotte Dale – Brightview Senior Living Tim Clemmer – The Legacy Jean Flower – The Legacy

Birthdays

31 Sandra "Susie" Dull

Anniversaries

None

Serving Our Country

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.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today May 29

10:30 AM Worship

NO Chancel Choir practice

Greeters & Ushers: Jerry & Kayla Siford, Mary Rainey and Debbie Sedr

Next Sunday June 5

10:30 AM Worship

Greeters & Ushers: All are needed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETERS & USHERS

The sign-up sheet for greeters and ushers for for the month of **June** is on the table in back of the sanctuary. Thanks so much for your help.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Donna Cook who married Brent Harman on March 24, 2022 in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.

WRE INFORMATION

A few years ago, the Weekday Religious Education Program ceased being taught in Staunton schools. There are some people who are interested in bringing it back. If you would like to learn more, on the back table is information about the history of the Weekday Religious Education Program and a petition for reinstating the program in Staunton City Schools.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SYNOD SUMMER GATHERING

The PW Synod Summer Gathering will be held virtually this year on the evening of June 10 and the morning of June 11. There is no cost for this virtual gathering. We have great speakers lined up and we will hear from our 2022-2023 Horizons Bible Author, Carol Bechtel, who will introduce and lead us into our study of CELEBRATING SABBATH. Mission Co-Worker, Cindy Corell, from our Presbytery will be our Mission speaker Friday evening. Registration information and the zoom link will be available soon.

THE SESSION

Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Mark Robertson	Frank Brown	Amanda Harris
Nancy Swisher	Mary Rainey	Jim McKenna
Paul Wolfe	Debbie Sedr	Rick Myrah
	Jerry Siford	Sherrill Robinson
Evan R. Smith, Moderator		Nancy Swisher, Clerk
TRUSTEES		
Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Ralph Weller	Dick Hippeard	Betty Clemmer
PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN		
Moderator		Mary Rainey
Vice-Moderator		
Secretary		
Treasurer		Sue Gochenour
SESSION COMMITTEE CHAIRS		
Christian Education/WorshipMary Rainey & Jim McKenna		
Membership & OutreachDebbie Sedr & Sherrill Robinson		
Mission & Community ServiceFrank Brown & Amanda Harris		
Stewardship and Finance		
Property Paul Wolfe & Rick Myrah		
Personnel		Pam Snyder
CHURCH STAFF		
PastorThe Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith		
Secretary	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Kay Waitier
Music Director		
Organist		Mary Jo Ramsey-Smith