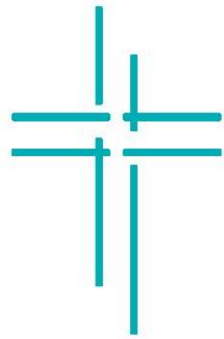


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The Rev. Evan R. Smith

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March 12, 2017

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

10:30 AM

Second Sunday in Lent

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

OPENING MUSIC

“For God So Loved the World”

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The Lord has promised to make a great nation of those who believe his promises.

P: Come, O Lord! For you give life to the dead. You bring into being those things that were not!

L: The Lord reckons faith as righteousness to those who, like Abraham, trust in him.

P: Come, O Lord! You are worthy to be praised. For your promises rest on your grace alone.

L: The children of faith shall inherit the earth. Such is the trustworthy promise of God.

P: Come, O Lord! You are worthy of trust. May our worship declare your glory!

L: Let us worship God!

***HYMN**

“Blessed Assurance”

CH 572

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty God, truly your Son has come, ushering in your kingdom and performing mighty deeds in your presence. Yet, we confess, we have been slow of heart to believe; we have remained attached to worldly concerns and neglected spiritual matters of eternal importance. Forgive us, O Lord, for wasting so much time and attention on things that will not endure and that do not satisfy. Refresh us and give us new life under the grace and in the power of your Holy Spirit. Give us the resolve to do your will, the wisdom to discern your truth, and the living water of your Spirit, that we may drink deeply and forever find refreshment in the river of life; through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

***SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: The mercy of God has no beginning and no end but endures forever.
Friends, receive the free gift of God’s grace that is yours this day.

P: Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

“Open Our Eyes”

“Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus
To reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see 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

“Breath on Me Breathe of God”

Chancel Choir

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12:1-4 and John 3: 1-6

Insert

SERMON

“Reset”

Rev. Smith

***HYMN**

“Revive Us Again”

CH 434

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** CLOSING**

“God Be With You”

CH 426

w/congregation

PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Health Concerns

Shannon Rankin & son, Carson (friends of Teri King) Shannon is 6 mos. pregnant with gall bladder issues and son is sick with flu.

Lillian White - Hip surgery (Linda Lickliter's Mom)

Travis Shiflett - Colon problems (Pat Shiflett's 35-year-old grandson)

Heather Snyder Kimble - challenged with the affects of lyme disease

Jean Flower - Discharged from AMC 2/24/17

Tim Clemmer - Home at 2316 Davis Street

Shawn Sweeney - at home - will return to hospital for more treatment as needed.

Elwood Whitmore (Maria Smith's father) - tests for blood issues

Linda Armstrong

Leatrice Gibson

Michael Brown

Members in Care Facilities

Doris Miller (Shenandoah Nursing Home)

Jane Roby (Ritenour)

Birthdays

Graeson Mullins Tyree (18)

Mike Gangloff (19)

Anniversaries (NONE)

In the Military

Scott Dice - (Son of Melissa and Harry Dice) PO Box 6099 Fort Hood TX 76544

Nick Dubyk - Army Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania (grandson of Betty & [the late] Willis Clemmer)

Christopher Todd - USAF (grandson of Ralph Weller and (the late) Ruth Weller)

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 SECOND CHURCH

Sunday, March 12

- 9:30 AM Sunday Bible Study - Lucille Sanger Classroom
- 10:00 AM Chancel Choir- Choir Room
- 10:30 AM Worship

Greeters & Ushers: Jim Wright (Head Usher), Brenda Wright, Beth Ramsey & Debbie Sedr

Flower Coordinator: Mary Rainey

Monday, March 13

- 10:00 AM Faithful 5 Circle - Parlor

Tuesday, March 14

- 10:00 AM Friendship Circle - Parlor
- 11:15 AM Bible Study - Fellowship Hall

Thursday, March 16

- 5:45 PM JuBELLation Handbell Choir
- 6:45 PM Chancel Choir - Chancel Choir Room

Sunday, March 19

- 9:30 AM Sunday Bible Study - Lucille Sanger Classroom
- 10:00 AM Chancel Choir- Choir Room
- 10:30 AM Worship

Greeters & Ushers: Chuck Blackley (Head Usher) Pat Blackley, Larry Brown and Maxine Robertson

Flower Coordinator: Mary Rainey

Attendance & Offering

Attendance last Sunday 65

Offering last Sunday \$ 3,083.00

As an aid to people who have trouble reading the regular sized type on the Sunday worship bulletin, a large print version is available. Simply request one from any usher.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The April sign-up sheet for Ushers is on the back table.
Thanks for your help.



The 61st Session of the Status of Women will convene in New York beginning **March 13, 2017**. This year's theme is "Women's Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work." Pam Snyder will be attending the Commission as a member of the PC(USA) delegation. The Commission has most recently dedicated its annual sessions to women and girls' access to education and full employment, empowerment of women living in rural areas and their role in poverty and violence against women and girls. The delegation will be advocating for the PC(USA)'s positions at the U.N. and with members of the Commission itself, as well as, significant learning opportunities from each other, as well as, the global norm setting forum on gender justice and women's rights. Pam will continue to bring the work and outcomes to her own community.

Please pray for safe travel and peaceful engagement for those representatives of Member States, UN entities and ECOSOC-accredited HGOs traveling from 186 countries to participate in the UN Commission on the Status of Women. Pam Snyder is already there working with other PC(USA) delegates and Ecumenical Women to develop recommendations to the Commission to support and implement this year's theme, Women's Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work and focusing on empowerment of indigenous women.

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for your generous contribution of \$475 to the Blanket Fund. This one of our highest totals ever! You have truly sent out a lifeline of love to others.

Thank You,

Mary Rainey

To my church family,

I had to spend 24 days in the hospital since I had a “stroke”. Fortunately I am allowed to complete my recovery process at the Legacy. I greatly appreciated receiving cards, flowers, visits and many prayers. The recovery process is very slow and detailed but the results are well worth the time. I ask for more prayers during this recovery period.

Sincerely,

Jean D. Flower

Set-up for the Purse/Jewelry/Accessory Indoor Yard Sale will be Thursday, March 23 at 10 AM.

INDOOR PURSE/JEWELRY/ACCESSORY YARD SALE

The Mission Committee is sponsoring a Purse/Jewelry/Accessory Indoor Yard Sale on **Saturday, March 25, 8:00 AM til noon**. Anyone who has gently used purses and/or jewelry, scarves, wallets, etc. please bring them to donate. You may give them to Sue Gochenour or put them in Room 20 (the room next to Kay Mader’s office on the second floor). Thank you for your generosity.

April 2nd is Women’s Day and we will be celebrating the gifts of women! All women are invited to participate in the **Women’s Choir** for that Sunday worship service. Contact Pam Snyder at 540-885-7183 or psnyder@comsonics.com if interested in joining in this special choir opportunity! There will be two practices at the end of March.

***DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER – GIVE ARTICLES TO
DARLENE MASON NO LATER THAN 9 AM ON
MARCH 29!!!!***

THE SESSION

Class of 2017

Andy Easley
Sue Gochenour
Linda Licklitter
Pam Snyder

Class of 2018

Jo Fields
Darlene Mason
Mary Rainey
Matthew Ramsey

Class of 2019

Bob Ridle
Dick Robinson
Nancy Swisher
Woodie Wimer

Evan R. Smith, Moderator

Nancy Swisher, Clerk

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Class of 2018

Ralph Weller

Class of 2019

Dick Hippeard

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