

SEPTEMBER 12 2021



# SECOND

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**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**

**Take My Life**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**GREETING**

**CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

Announcements

Prayer Concerns

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: The tongue is a flame: It can praise or it can destroy, it can bless or it can curse.

**P: Let us offer prayers in praise of God! Let us bless, and not curse, the children of God.**

L: The mind is a door. It can be open or it can be shut. It can welcome or it can refuse.

**P: Let us open our minds to the mind of Christ. Let us set our minds on the wisdom from above.**

L: May all our words and all our thoughts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer!

**P: Let us sing songs in praise of Jesus. Let us proclaim him Christ the Lord!**

L: Let us worship God!

**HYMN**

**Our Great Savior (vs. 1, 2 & 5)**

**CH 17**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Holy Word of God, you have made your will known, yet we often ignore your counsel. So much of our distress and despair is due to our having resisted you. Forgive us, O God, and form us anew. Create in us such a love for your Word that we might not be able to keep silent about your goodness, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

L: If we are merciful, we shall be shown mercy. If we are forgiving, we shall be forgiven.

**P: God will save us with godly power. We know that God's mercy triumphs over judgment.**

L: May your lives be changed by this news of God's grace: By grace through the faith of Christ you are saved and set free for works of love.

**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

**I Surrender All**

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**

**Will You Come and Follow Me**

**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:**

**Mark 8:27-38**

**SERMON**

**Costly Grace**

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**HYMN**

**O Jesus, I Have Promised (vs. 1, 2 & 4)**

**CH 676**

**BENEDICTION**

**I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb**

**CH 600**

**POSTLUDE**

**How Great Thou**

**Art**

# **PRAYERS**

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Heather & Joe Kimble

Charlotte Dale

Martha Wilkerson

Nita Wimer

Linda Queen

Linda Lickliter

James Mader

Nedra Keenan, Brenda & Jim Wright's niece, cancer

Dorothy Roden (mother of Janet Witcofsky) She is battling a recurrence of cancer.

## **SHUT-INS**

Charlotte Dale – Shenandoah Nursing and Rehab

Tim Clemmer

Jean Flower - Legacy

## **BIRTHDAYS**

12 Kathy McKenna

17 Kay Moyer

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

13 Lisa & Scott Hippeard

## **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.

# ***THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE***

## **TODAY**

10:30 AM

## **SEPTEMBER 12**

Worship

Greeters & Ushers:

Rick & Dara Myrah, Sebbie Sedr and Betty Clemmer

## **TUESDAY**

10 AM

## **SEPTEMBER 14**

Friendship Circle

Lounge

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

10:30 AM

## **SEPTEMBER 19**

Worship

Greeters & Ushers:

Mary Rainey and 3 more needed

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

### ***GREETERS & USHERS***

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

### ***CALLING ALL RINGERS AND SINGERS!***

Calling all Ringers and Singers! The JuBELLation Handbell choir and Chancel Choir will begin practices later in September. Plan to join us as we make a joyful noise to the Lord! No musical expertise is needed. Just the desire to have fun while ringing and singing. Contact Pam Snyder, at 540-480-3029 or [pamsnyder1063@gmail.com](mailto:pamsnyder1063@gmail.com). for more information.

***Pam Snyder***

### ***THE BIG EVENT***

**Saturday September 18, 2021 9AM to 3:30 PM**

**“When Did We See You?” (Matthew 25:44)**

**Massanetta Springs Conference Center, Harrisonburg, VA**

**Cost is \$20.00 (includes lunch)**

**See insert for more information**

# **THE SESSION**

## **Class of 2021**

Andy Easley  
Jo Fields  
Matthew Ramsey  
Joe Witcofsky

## **Class of 2022**

Mark Robertson  
Nancy Swisher  
Paul Wolfe

## **Class of 2023**

Frank Brown  
Mary Rainey  
Debbie Sedr  
Jerry Siford

Evan R. Smith, Moderator

Nancy Swisher, Clerk

## **TRUSTEES**

### **Class of 2021**

Ralph Weller

### **Class of 2022**

Dick Hippeard

### **Class of 2023**

Betty Clemmer

## **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

Moderator.....Mary Rainey  
Vice-Moderator.....Pat Blackley  
Secretary.....Talitha Hippeard  
Treasurer.....Sue Gochenour

## **SESSION COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Christian Education/Worship.....Mary Rainey & Joe Witcofsky  
Membership & Outreach.....Debbie Sedr & Linda Queen  
Mission & Community Service.....Frank Brown & Jo Fields  
Stewardship and Finance.....Mark Robertson & Jerry Siford  
Property.....Matt Ramsey & Paul Wolfe  
Personnel.....Pam Snyder

## **CHURCH STAFF**

Pastor.....The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith  
Secretary.....Kay Waitier  
Music Director.....Pam Snyder