

WELCOME! Whether you are a longtime member or a guest, we’re glad you’re here with us today! Through the grace, hope and joy of the gospel we worship together and serve our community and world to the glory of God. Welcome!

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER . . .

CHURCH FAMILY:
Eunice Jones Lester; Connie Fletcher; Becky & Ed Thomas; Harriet Beavers; Wanda Deskins; Dorothy Wright; Julia Butler; Doris Branam. *Heritage Hall:* Betty Kelly. *Commonwealth Senior Living (Cedar Bluff):* Madeline Hurt; *Homebound:* Renia Hale Peery; Louise Smith.

OTHERS:
Sam Larimer (death of wife Betty); Kim McGraw’s mother; Bob Altizer; Mark Ray and his wife; Anita Tinsley; Richard Morgan; Trish Johnson; Sam Penell; Dr. Brenda Lawson; Jason Hacker; Kathy Melton Jackson; *Active Military Service:* Jon Wright

ABINGDON PRESBYTERY: The Commissioned Lay Pastors of our Presbytery.

TO PASS ALONG A PRAYER REQUEST:
Contact Eunice Jones at (276.988.4412) jnseun@aol.com); or the church office at (276.988.4724; sectazpresb12@yahoo.com). Names will remain on the Prayer List for 4 weeks, unless otherwise requested.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

Today: May 22		
Worship Service	9 A.M.	Black’s Chapel
Bible Study	10:10 A.M.	Fellowship Hall
Worship Service	11 A.M.	Sanctuary
Monday, May 23		
Boy Scouts	6 P.M.	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, May 24		
Table Talk	11 A.M.	Front Porch Restaurant
Thursday, May 26		
Articles for <i>The Lamplighter</i> newsletter due		
Sunday, May 29		
Worship Service	9 A.M.	Black’s Chapel
<u>No</u> Bible Study	10:10 A.M.	Fellowship Hall
Worship Service	11 A.M.	Sanctuary

Financial and Attendance Snapshot

April Donations: \$7,932.00
April Expenditures: \$4,806.48 + April Salaries \$6,800.06 > Total Expenses \$11,606.54
Difference for April (-) \$3,674.54
May 15 Giving: \$1,053.00
May 15 Attendance: Black’s Chapel 16 TPC 39 Livestream 14 Total: 69

Bulletin Art:
“*Get Thee Behind Me, Satan!*” ca. 1886-1894, Tissot, James, 1836-1902. “...when his (Tissot) carefully researched collection of 350 watercolors depicting the life of Jesus was first published as a book in 1896, it found a large and enthusiastic audience. No one who had followed his previous career could have anticipated that this painter of urban life in Paris and London would undertake the project of painting virtually every event in the Gospels.” From **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Special Welcome:

We welcome family members and guests who are joining us in worship today in support of our puppet cast children performing the story “The Prodigal Son.” The children’s performance in worship today marks the conclusion of “Adventure Time” for this season. Adventure Time will resume in the fall. The children have greatly enjoyed being and learning together on Wednesday afternoons here at the church. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Pam Irvin and Kim McGraw for their loving leadership of Adventure Time this year.

Next Sunday:

Next Sunday Dr. Gilbert will be away and the Rev. Ann Elyse Hicks, Presbytery Leader, will fill the pulpit. Ann Elyse has demonstrated enthusiastic and wise leadership as the Presbytery Leader of Abingdon Presbytery. We look forward to having her back with us again as she proclaims the gospel and shares news and/or insights about our presbytery and its congregations.

Food Pantry Emphasis for May: “Macaroni and Cheese.”

Donations may be placed in the basket in the church narthex. Thank you!

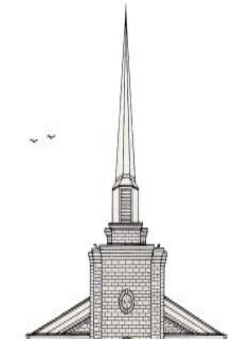
Let There Be Ventilation

Ventilation of air is one of the most effective preventive measures against the spread of the COVID virus. While the rate of transmission in the county is low right now, this can change at any time. The sanctuary windows are opened each Sunday before worship to facilitate with air ventilation. They are to remain open throughout the service. Please do not close them.

<i>Shepherd your heart</i> Wanting What God Wants		
April 24	What Do You Want?	<i>John 5:1-9</i>
May 1 Communion	We All Need a Place and a Time	<i>Mark 11:12-24</i>
May 8 Mother’s Day	Love Isn’t the Only Thing	<i>Mark 12:28-34</i>
May 15	It’s Our Story Too	<i>Luke 4:14-21</i>
May 22	It Takes Courage	<i>Mark 8:31-9:1</i>
May 29	Rev. Ann Elyse Hicks, Guest Preacher	
June 5 Pentecost Communion	The Spirit’s Push	<i>Matt. 25:31-46;</i> <i>Acts 2:1-13</i>
June 12 Trinity Sunday	It’s Not Just About This Day, It’s About Every Day	<i>Mark 3:1-6</i>

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& Black’s Chapel**

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Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 22, 2022
9 and 11 a.m.



THE GATHERING

Preparation for Worship

Living God, You call us to live for the sake of the gospel, to take up our own cross, to go the second mile, to forgive seventy times seven. We confess our skepticism, for we want there to be another way. We confess our fear, for we worry about what we might lose. We confess our fatigue, for we have tried, and have fallen short once again. But we are here, O God, praying that Your truth would cast aside our doubt, Your love would cast out our fear, and Your mercy would strengthen our spirits, that our hearts might be drawn closer to You. *(Silent prayer)*

Chiming of the Hour and Prelude *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*
Sebastian Temple

Words of Welcome

***Call to Worship**

As the sun rises on this new day,
we will sing praise to the living God.
We have come to hear again the story of God’s redemption of the world;
and we have come to hear again the story of our salvation.
God of grace, meet us in these moments,
and train our hearts to want what you want.
In the name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Let us worship God.

*Hymn, No. 826
Lift High the Cross

Prayer of Confession
Merciful God,
we confess to You before the whole company of heaven,
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed:
in what we have done
and in what we have failed to do.
Forgive us our sins,
heal us by Your Holy Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Jesus Christ.
Amen.
(Silent Confession)

Lord, Have Mercy
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Grace
Ps. 145:8-9

*Passing of the Peace
The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
All are invited to stand and turn to those near you in worship, and say “The Peace of Christ be with you,” responding with “And also with you.”

*Response of Praise
Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Hymn, No. 246, vs. 1

THE WORD

Time with the Children
Puppet Story: The Story of the Prodigal (Insert)

Scripture Reading
Mark 8:31-9:1 (*pew Bible, pg. 820*)
Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly.

And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, ‘Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.’

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, ‘If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.’

And he said to them, ‘Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see that the kingdom of God has come with power.’

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon
It Takes Courage
Dave Gilbert

THE RESPONSE

*Apostles’ Creed (traditional)
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.

*Hymn, No. 692
Spirit, Open My Heart

*Invitation to Offering

Offertory
I Have Decided to Follow Jesus
folk tune/ arr. Carter

*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.

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer
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.

THE SENDING

* Hymn, No. 721
Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

*Benediction

*Chiming of the Trinity and Postlude
