

September 18, 2005 “Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time” 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**Gathering Around the Word**

*This time of preparation is offered so that you may ready your heart for the worship of God. Prayer, silence, or reverent and quiet greeting of one another in Christ are all appropriate during these moments. May God bless you as you enter His presence.*

**The Chimes** (11:00)

**Prelude** “How Great Thou Art” arr. Mark Hayes

**Welcome and Announcements** Jason Whitener

**Prayer of Preparation**

O Lord, it would take forever to tell of Your deeds, an eternity of boasting how great You are. The heavens could not contain our bountiful expressions of Your grace and mercy. The seas would flood ashore with the expanse of Your love. Yet, we are bold to bring You our praise and thanksgiving. We delight to remember how You care for us all. Be pleased with our offerings of unbridled devotion and accept our attempts to give You the worship You are due. Through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

**Choral Introit** “Unto Thee, O Lord” Charles Monroe  
(11:00) *duet: Austin and Leara Shumate*

**Call to Worship** Morgan Thompson

Leader: Give thanks to God who provides for all our needs.

**People: We will give thanks to the Lord our God.**

Leader: Seek the Lord and the strength only God can give, a presence that continually abides.

**People: We will remember the wonderful works God has done, the miracles, and the judgments God has made.**

**All: Alleluia! Let us worship God.**

\* **Hymn #562** “Be Thou My Vision” *(see insert)*

**Prayer of Confession** (Unison)

Merciful Lord, we confess that like our ancestors before us, we complain when things do not go our way. We want abundance of everything rather than what is sufficient to sustain us. We would rather be elsewhere than where we are at the moment. When things do not go our way we ask, where are You? We would rather You serve us than be accountable ourselves. You gave manna and quail to those before us, yet we still doubt You will be there for us. Forgive our lack of trust in Your goodness and grant us forgiveness, we humbly pray through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior... *(Worshippers continue in a moment of silent, personal confession.)*

**Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ; and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

**People: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone; a new life has begun.**

**All: Praise be to God! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.**

**\* Glory Be to the Father**

**Anthem** "The Mighty Power of God" Mark Hayes  
(11:00) *Adult Choir*

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer** (debts & debtors)

**Proclaiming the Word**

**Children's Time** Lauren Scharstein

**\* Hymn #563** "Open My Eyes That I May See" (*see insert*)

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament Lesson** Exodus 16:2-15

**New Testament Lesson** Philippians 1:18b-30

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** "Walking by Faith Not by Sight" Shari Dobyne

**Responding to the Word**

**\* Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed

**Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

**Offertory** "Unto Thee, O Lord" (8:30) Charles Monroe  
*duet: Austin and Leara Shumate*  
"As the Deer" (11:00) arr. Larry Dalton

**\* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

**Bearing the Word Into the World**

**\* Hymn #581** "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" (*see insert*)

**\* Charge and Benediction**

**\* Congregational Response #583** "You Are My All in All" (*see insert*)  
(1<sup>st</sup> verse and refrain only)

**\* Postlude** "Spirit Dance" Schytte  
*piano: Austin Shumate*

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\* Those who are able, please stand.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**If you are visiting** with us this morning, we welcome you! If you are interested in joining Tinkling Spring, please speak with one of the pastors. An Inquirers'/New Members' class will begin Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. on the Spring Hall stage for all who are interested in learning more about Tinkling Spring. The class will be held for 5 consecutive Sundays, ending November 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Youth Festival Bells** will start rehearsing today at 5 p.m. This group is for our more advanced youth who already ring handbells. We will be preparing for the Youth Handbell Festival held in Richmond, the weekend of November 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>.

**Music Ministry on Sunday afternoons:** There are many ways to serve God through music at TSPC. If you feel God calling you to this ministry, come to a rehearsal and see what it is all about! Practices for the following groups will begin today!

Men's Chorus: 4:00-5:00 p.m.-Men's Bible Class (rm. #213)

Celebration Singers: 5:00-6:00 p.m.-Men's Bible Class (rm. #213)

For info about these groups and others, brochures are on the rack in Spring Hall.

**The High School Youth Group** will meet tonight from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the Dishman's for a cookout and games. A-H please bring drinks, I-R please bring a side dish or chips and dip, and S-Z please bring a dessert. The Dishman's live at behind WMHS. Next Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> the High School youth will eat lunch together and participate in the CROP Walk. Make sure to get a sponsor sheet, and bring it with you next Sunday.

**The Middle School Youth Group** will not meet tonight. Next week, September 25<sup>th</sup>, they will have lunch together and participate in the CROP Walk. Make sure to get a sponsor sheet, and bring it with you on the walk!

**LOGOS 2005-2006: "Looking Back...Springing Forth"**- Our mid-week ministry of the church will begin this Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:15 p.m. for Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> grade and 6:00 p.m. for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Please speak with one of the LOGOS Directors, Judy Kauffman or Laura Boward, about being a part of this amazing ministry!

**The Final LOGOS Parents Meetings** for this semester will be held at 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> in Room 211. Parents must attend a meeting to register their child/children in the LOGOS program. Registration for this semester will be closed after this meeting. Please speak with one of the LOGOS Directors if you have any questions.

**Attention CROP Walkers:** This year marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary for the CROP Walk in the Waynesboro-East Augusta area. Mark your calendars now to take part in this event on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. Together we can help to alleviate hunger in our own community and around the world. Contact Randy or Ann Gregory if you're interested in walking.

**Men's Breakfast:** Due to a conflict with the Fellowship Hall, the Presbyterian Men's Breakfast and Bible Study will be at Augusta Medical Center, Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 a.m. See you there, men!

**Committee Chairs are asked to submit budget requests** for 2006 by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please give your requests to Melton Estes or Jay Moffett (chairs of Finance Committee).

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion** will be served on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> during both worship services.

**Middle School Youth Rally!** The Shenandoah Presbytery Senior High Youth Council (which includes our very own Devin Coulter, Kelsey Simonsen and Ben Simonsen) is hosting a Middle School Youth Rally—G.L.U.E., God Loves Us Eternally. The rally will take place on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:15 a.m.—4:45 p.m. It will be an incredible day filled with great music, cool games, art, drama, fun, and worship. Those youth attending this event will be excused from their Sunday School classes at 10:15 a.m. Please meet outside of Fellowship Hall. We will return to the church around 4:45 p.m. Sign up for this event (on the bulletin board outside of Shari's office) by next Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Middle School Youth Mission Trip:** For the first time we will offer a weekend Mission Trip for our Middle School youth to Washington DC. We will meet at church at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> and return to church around 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. On this trip our youth will have the opportunity to serve in various ways which may include helping at a soup kitchen, nursing home, food bank and much more. We will also worship together on Sunday morning before returning to church. The cost for the trip is \$100. Registration and money is due on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please speak with Shari Dobyns or Lynne Hess if you have questions.

**High School Youth Overnight Baseball Game:** Come and join us for a Washington Nationals baseball game on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will meet at church at 2:00 p.m. After the baseball game we will stay overnight at a church in Fairfax, Virginia, attend their early morning worship service on Sunday, then head back to TSPC. Tickets are \$19. Make sure to bring a sleeping bag, pillow, toiletries, clothes for church, money for dinner on Saturday, spending money and money for lunch on Sunday. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside of Shari's office by Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Hurricane Relief:** For those wishing to offer financial assistance in response to Hurricane Katrina, a special offering will be received during September. Please make checks payable to TSPC and mark in the memo section "Hurricane Relief". All money will be sent to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Health kits are also in great need. The kits can be placed in the metal tubs located at the entrance of Spring Hall. A health kit should include the following items:

- Hand towel
- Washcloth
- Comb
- Nail file/clipper
- Bar of bath soap
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste (4-7 oz.)
- 6 band-aids

**Thank you** to Tammy McKibben who is playing for the 11:00 a.m. worship service while John Slehta is on vacation.

**A special thank you to everyone** who helped with Genesis Sunday. Many hands and hearts joined together to plan and implement such a special time for the congregation.

