



Service for the Lord's Day

April 23, 2023

Pastor deNay Kirkpatrick

Cahaba Springs . . .

Is a church where all people
are welcomed and cared for,
empowered to grow spiritually,
and equipped to serve God
and each other in meaningful ways

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

**Please stand, as you are able*

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Jennifer Smith

Prelude

Chanson

Johann Ernst Galliard

***Call to Worship**

Jennifer Smith

One: We have been walking, Lord,

Many: on roads of uncertainty and fear, on roads of exhaustion and doubt, on winding roads that have led us here.

One: Join us on our journey, Lord.

Many: By your presence, refresh our spirits, set our hearts ablaze, and give us new direction!

***Hymn 192**

Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

***Prayer of Invocation (Unison)**

deNay Kirkpatrick

God of all glory,

on this first day you began creation,

bringing light out of darkness.

On this first day you began your new creation,

raising Jesus Christ out of the darkness of death.

On this Lord's Day grant that we,
the people you create by water and the Spirit,
may be joined with all your works
in praising you for your great glory.

Through Jesus Christ,
in union with the Holy Spirit,
we praise you now and forever. Amen.

A Moment with the Children

Children may choose to go to Junior Church after Children's Sermon

CONFESSING TO GOD

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Jesus, Teacher, we confess today our outright foolishness. We have been foolish to doubt your promises. Foolish to withhold love from neighbor. Foolish to chase riches, prestige and power. Foolish to waste your gifts and spoil your creation. Foolish to divide your children from each other. Foolish to think hope is lost.

Wise us up again. Open our hearts to your presence in our lives, in our neighbors, in our world. In your grace, help us grab onto our millionth second chance, and forge a new road from here on. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

* Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Jennifer Smith

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

14aBut Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them,
36“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” 37Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” 38Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” 40And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” 41So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Lead Me, Lord

Wesley/ Bock

Lead me, Lord; lead me in Thy righteousness.
Make Thy way plain before my face. For it is Thou, Lord;
Thou, O Lord only that makest me to dwell in safety.
Teach me Lord; teach me of Thy righteousness.
Make Thy way plain before my face. For it is Thou, Lord;
Thou, O Lord only that makest me to dwell in safety.
Keep me Lord, keep me in Thy righteousness. For it is Thou, Lord;
Thou, O Lord only that makest me to dwell in safety.

Second Reading**Gospel Luke 24:13-35**

13Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, 16but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. 18Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" 19He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. 21But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. 22Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, 23and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. 24Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." 25Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! 26Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" 27Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

28As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. 29But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. 30When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. 32They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" 33That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" 35Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Journey

deNay Kirkpatrick

***Hymn 738**

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

MARYTON

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

* **Affirmation of Faith (Unison)** (Adapted from the Brief Statement of Faith)

One: In life and death we belong to God.

Many: **Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one true God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

One: We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

Many: **In sovereign love, God created the world good, acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation, and makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.**

One: We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Many: **Jesus proclaimed the reign of God, was crucified, and raised from the dead, delivering us from death to life eternal.**

One: We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

Many: **The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus!**

Offertory Sentences

Offertory *Offertory on "Rockbridge"* Edward Broughton

* The Doxology 606

Prayer of Dedication deNay Kirkpatrick

Prayers of the People & 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.

SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

* Hymn 65 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CWM RHONDDA

* Charge and Blessing deNay Kirkpatrick
And all God's children say: **Alleluia! Amen!**

* Choral Benediction *Go Now in Peace* Don Besig

* Postlude *St. Anthony's Chorale* Franz Joseph Haydn

Liturgy provided by *The Presbyterian Outlook*, written by Carol Holbrook Prickett

April/May Happenings at Cahaba Springs

TEAM Food Collection – today. We will be collecting nonperishable food items for TEAM in Trussville. Please remember those in need.

CSPC Book Club – Tuesday, April 25th at 5:30 PM in the Conference Room. This month's discussion will be on *If I Were the Boss of You* by Melinda Rainey Thompson led by Cindy Brackenbury.

3 Hots & Cot Collection – Sunday, April 30th. We will be collecting coffee (no decaf, please) and paper products for our vets.

Session Retreat—Sunday, April 30th from 12:30 -4:30.

First Tuesday Dinner – Tuesday, May 2nd at 6:00 PM at El Patron in Trussville.

PHFC Workday—Friday, May 5th. We will meet at CSPC parking lot, leave for the Home at 8:30 and plan to return by 3. Please confirm availability with Danny Foote.

Knit Wits – Saturday, May 6th from 10 AM-noon in the Ladies' Room.

Fellowship Luncheon – Sunday, May 7th immediately following worship in *Harmony Hall*. Please bring a side or salad; meat and dessert will be provided. Following the luncheon, there will be a wedding shower to honor Karen Rainwater and Jacob Brown. We will have a money tree for the couple If you would like to contribute.

XYZ May Luncheon – Tuesday, May 16th at 11:30 AM in *Harmony Hall*. Please bring a covered dish and we will play several games of bingo following lunch.

Stated Session Meeting – Tuesday, May 16th at 6:00 PM

PW Monthly Luncheon & Study – Sunday, May 21st immediately following worship in *Harmony Hall*. Please bring a salad or dessert. We will study Lesson 9 of *Celebrating Sabbath* by Carol M. Bechetl.

CSPC Book Club – Tuesday, May 23rd. This month's discussion will be on *Sensible Shoes* by Sharon Brown led by Karen O'Brien.

CSPC Yard Sale – May 26-27; rain date June 2-3. As you are doing your spring cleaning, please consider bringing your gently used clothing, household items, and small furniture for our huge yard sale! Items may be brought to the church now during normal business hours or on Sunday. We will need lots of volunteers to do the pricing, staging, etc. prior to the sale & many others the days of the sale. Please see Lynda McLean or Karen O'Brien for any other information. All proceeds go towards the general fund.

TEAM Food Collection – Sunday, May 28th. We will be collecting nonperishable food items for TEAM in Trussville.

Pentecost Celebration – Sunday, May 28th. Details to follow.

PRAYER CONCERNS

for our church family...

Agnes Dauphinee	Nellie Songer	Margaret Linville	Wayne Hughins
Melissa Scholl	Jim Gillespie	Joan Lowery	Al Greenburg
Edward Giddens	Laura Reichert	Jean Camp	Carol Brown
Ed Swartz, Jr.	Cecile Floyd	Chuck Smith	Haley Crew
Betty Quattlebaum	Serena Jenkins		

for our extended family...

Lisa Kraye Smith	Jennifer Lee	Dan Southern	Sonia Burrage
Louis Scholl	Heather Hawkins	Mary Hammett	Leslie Speakman
Debbie Collins	Clay Charlton	Eleanor Garner	Jeff Strickland
Mac & Matthias	Ophelia Nichols	Ronnie Eades	Bobby Hoglund
Allison Solomon	Barry Parvin	Aaron Dailey	Cindi Wesley
Mason Ford	Pat & Vicky McCann	Perry Johnson	Susie Abbott
Laura Rainey	Joy Martin & family	Debbie Lambert	Deborah Braswell
Tommy Robbins	Carol Bos	Amy Baughman	Laura Stalls
Crystal Holcomb	C. J. Fonte		

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