



Service for the Lord's Day

July 16, 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

Karen O'Brien

Prelude

Prelude on "Old 124th"

George Blake

***Call to Worship**

Karen O'Brien

One: The very word of God is a light to our feet,

Many: a lamp to our path.

One: We gather this day to hear the Word of God,

Many: to offer prayers and sing songs of praise.

One: We gather this day

Many: to worship God!

*** Hymn 386**

Come, Worship God

O QUANTA QUALIA

***Prayer of Invocation (Unison)**

deNay Kirkpatrick

Blessed Jesus, at your word we have come again to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred and in glowing faith be near you. By your gospel true and holy, teach us, Lord, to love you solely. 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

Gracious and loving God, we are a people who are always concerned about ourselves. We worry about what is ours and are concerned with getting more. We have not been guided by your Spirit or the teachings of Christ. Forgive us, we pray, and gently guide us back to your way. Help us to think of others and share what we have with the world. 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

Karen O'Brien

First Reading

Romans 8:1-11

1 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. 3 For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, 4 so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. 6 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 7 For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law — indeed it cannot, 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. 10 But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Instrumental Anthem

Give Me Jesus

arr. John Purifoy

Joe Carter, piano

In the morning when I rise; oh, in the morning, give me Jesus,
Give me Jesus; you can have all this world, but give me Jesus.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

1 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. 2 Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. 3 And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. 4 And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. 5 Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. 6 But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. 7 Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. 8 Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9 Let anyone with ears listen!"

18 "Hear then the parable of the sower. 19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. 20 As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; 21 yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. 22 As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. 23 But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

deNay Kirkpatrick

* Hymn 468

In My Life

LORD, BE GLORIFIED

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

* Affirmation of Faith

(from a Declaration of Faith)

We know that God is not confined to the story we can tell. The story itself tells us God works his sovereign will among all peoples of the earth. We believe God works beyond our imagining throughout the universe. We acknowledge no other God. We must not set our ultimate reliance on any other help. We must not yield unconditional obedience to any other power. We must not love anyone or anything more than we love God. We praise and enjoy God. To worship God is highest joy. To serve God is perfect freedom. Amen.

Offertory Sentences

Offertory

Invocation

Ignaz Pleyel

* The 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

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayers

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.

SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

* Hymn 353 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* SOLID ROCK

* Charge and Blessing deNay Kirkpatrick
And all God's Children say "Alleluia! Amen!"

* Postlude *Psalm of Glory* William Barnett

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Mission Opportunities

Cahaba Springs is currently involved in many mission opportunities. Please contact Haley Crew at hnsaul1@gmail.com if you are interested in serving on the Missions Committee.

1 Peter 4:10: "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace..."

PRAYER CONCERNS

for our church family...

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| Ed Swartz, Jr. | Cecile Floyd | Chuck Smith | Betty Quattlebaum |
| Kay Prevatt | | | |

for our extended family...

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There are flyers located in the narthex for more detailed instructions*

July Happenings at Cahaba Springs

XYZ July Luncheon – Tuesday, July 18th at 11:30 AM in *Harmony Hall*. Please bring a side, salad, or dessert; ham will be provided.

Stated Session Meeting – Tuesday, July 18th at 6:00 PM.

Presbyterian Home for Children School Supplies –We are collecting school supplies for PW to stuff backpacks for the children next Sunday, July 23rd. Lists of the needed school supplies are on the table located in narthex. Please place the purchased supplies in the tub located in the narthex. If you do not feel like shopping, monetary contributions are appreciated.

Backpacks for local schools – In addition to collecting supplies for the PHFC, the mission committee is collecting NEW school backpacks to distribute to children in need in our community.

TEAM Food Collection – Sunday, July 23rd. We will be collecting nonperishable food items for TEAM in Trussville.

PW Monthly Luncheon – Sunday, July 23rd immediately following worship in *Harmony Hall*. Please bring a salad or dessert.

CSPC Book Club – Tuesday, July 25th at 5:30 PM. This month's discussion will be on *The Bookkeeper of Aleppo* by Christy Lefteri led by Karen O'Brien.

All Ages VBS – Saturday, July 29th from 1:00-5:00 PM. "Soul Food" – come learn about the significance of food in the Bible and how it relates to our daily walk as Christians. There will be activities for children and adults with a potluck meal at the end of the program. Please bring a side or dessert to share. See Karen Brown if you would like to help or have any questions.

Rally Day – Sunday, July 30th beginning at 9:30 AM. Join us for breakfast in *Harmony Hall* and find out about the upcoming Sunday School and small group options for the 2023-2024 school year. There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex for the breakfast meal. We will also have Blessing of the Backpacks during worship following the Rally Day breakfast. All students are invited to bring their backpacks as we begin this new school year. There will be additional information provided regarding our support of students at the Presbyterian Home for Children. We will have a report on the Montreat trip during worship also. See Karen Brown if you have questions.

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

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