

FAITH IN ACTION 6. For the burdened

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WELCOME, INTRODUCTION and CHURCH NEWS

Minute for Mission: Church Office Team

Jim Simpson

Bruce Burn, Elder

PRELUDE

“Jesus, I Am Resting”

Mountain

* **CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT # 399 “God Welcomes All”** (sing three times)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God’s love is strong and it never ends.

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Diane Shillcutt

Let us worship the One who nourishes us,

who satisfies us in parched places and makes our bones strong.

Let us worship the One who calls us,

who leads us to compassion and draws us nearer to justice.

Let us worship the One who creates us,

who forms and reforms us in the image of our maker.

* **HYMN # 35**

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, you are nearby and far off, in our every moment and in the highest heaven.

Forgive us when we would rather not remember you

in the everyday moments of our lives:

when choosing you would mean putting our neighbors’ needs first;

when following you would challenge our comfortable assumptions;

when listening to you would change the life we have grown to love.

Forgive us, God of mercy, and love us into your reign of true peace. Amen.

SONG OF CONFESSION # 471 v1 “O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

O Lord hear my prayer. O Lord Hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.

O Lord hear my prayer. O Lord hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE # 471 v2 “O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God.

The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 58: 9b - 14 (p. 647/842)

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Diane Shillcutt

CHILDREN’S SERMON (Activity Packs for children available ask Usher)

GOSPEL READING

Luke 13:10–17 (p. 71/92)

Kathy Simmons

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ANTHEM

“More Love to Thee”

Parks

(Children’s Church – A weekly Activity time for toddlers through 2nd Grade.

Parents sign-in children with the volunteers in the Gathering Room.)

SERMON

“Something wonderful”

Jim Simpson

THE OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING HYMN # 710

“We Lift Our Voices (We Are an Offering)”

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Kathy Simmons

Loving God, we rejoice that our lives are already consecrated by you.

Inspired by the knowledge of your love,

giving thanks for the gifts you offer us each day,

we pray that these offerings and our lives

may further your kingdom on earth. Amen.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32–33)

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ

has set the pattern for the church’s mission.

Jesus’ human life involves the church in the common life of all people.

Jesus’ service to men and women

commits the church to work for every form of human well-being.

Jesus’ suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering

so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need.

Jesus’ crucifixion discloses to the church God’s judgment on the inhumanity

that marks human relations,

and the awful consequences of the church’s own complicity in injustice.

In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming,

the church sees the promise of God’s renewal of human life in society

and of God’s victory over all wrong.

The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action.

So to live, and serve, is to confess Christ as Lord. Amen.

* **HYMN # 796**

“We Come to You for Healing, Lord”

(During the singing of this Hymn any who wish to be prayed for by the Pastor and representatives of our church with the laying on of hands can be seated on the window-side front row. If you need any assistance, please ask an usher. All requests are treated in confidence. If the row fills up please wait until there is space, there is time and space for all.)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION FOR WHOLENESS AND HEALING

Prayers for specific needs from the Prayer Request Cards will now be offered....
Prayer and the laying on of hands..... *(All praying for those who seek our prayers...)*
Blessing of Prayer Shawls and The Lord's Prayer *(sins and sins against us)*

*HYMN #653 "Give Thanks to God Who Hears Our Cries"

*** CHARGE AND BLESSING**

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE # 765 "May the God of hope go with us every day"
*May the God of hope go with us every day, Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way, Bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace, Singing, share our joy with all,
Working for a world that's new, Faithful when we hear Christ's call.*

POSTLUDE "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Luther
Kathy Cardwell, Director of Music

**All who are comfortable standing, please stand.*

"At Faith, ALL are ALWAYS WELCOME"

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Want to hear about upcoming events, programs and service opportunities?
Want to get involved in the future life and growth of this church?
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Next Sunday, August 25 - FAITH IN ACTION 7. Witness
Scripture Readings: Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16 and Luke 13: 18-30
Sermon: The eyes of faith
9:00 a.m. Discovery Class
Reception of New Members

SESSION OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CLASS OF 2019: Sylvia Goodyear Patty Morris Doris Riggs
CLASS OF 2020: Bruce Burn Candy Frank Frances Young
CLASS OF 2021: Rick Borden Janice Glascock Lynn Hayes
[ELDERS-ELECT: Randy Griggs Chris Martinez Carl Riggs]

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20th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Dr. Jim Simpson
Pastor

