

November 13, 2011 “Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time” 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Gathering Around The Word

*Welcome to worship at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church!
This time of preparation is offered so that you may make ready your heart
for the worship of God. May God bless you as you enter God’s presence.*

Prayer of Preparation *source unknown*

All through the day, O Lord, may I touch as many lives as thou wouldst have me touch for thee; and those whom I touch do thou with thy Holy Spirit quicken, whether by the word I speak, the letter I write, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live. Amen.

The Chimes

11 a.m. Called meeting of the congregation for the election of elders and deacons to the class of 2014

Welcome and Announcements “Heal our Land” (8:30)
“Adagio” (11:00)

*** Prayer of Praise and Adoration**

*** Call to Worship** *adapted from Psalm 145*

Leader: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.

People: His greatness is beyond comprehension.

Leader: He is gracious and merciful - slow to become angry, quick to show love.

People: The Lord is good to everyone. He has compassion on all he has made.

All: All your works will thank you, O Lord. All your people will bless your name.

*** Hymn #808** “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Risen Lord Jesus, help us to empty ourselves of all that hinders our awareness of your presence with us. Fill us with the joy of knowing your continuing presence, so we may hasten to share the great good news of your life, love, and salvation with others... *(Worshippers continue in a moment of silent, personal confession.)*

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: We know that we are ransomed from sin with the precious blood of Christ and have been born anew through the living and enduring Word of God. In this we recognize God’s great love for us all as revealed in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus who came into the world not to condemn us but to save us.

All: Those who believe in Jesus are not condemned, but are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*** 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.

Anthem “I Will Call Upon the Lord/God is My Refuge Medley”
Chancel Choir

Children’s Time

Jerry Horn – Reader (8:30)
Dale Lebo and Gary Gilbert – Flag Folders (8:30)
Alan Biskey – Reader (11:00)
Glenn Siron and Roger Wood – Flag Folders (11:00)

At the conclusion of the “Children’s Time” older children are encouraged to stay for worship and younger children, up to age 4, are welcome to go to the nursery or stay with their families. Let us thank God for our children by singing “Jesus Loves Me.”

*Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

Prayers of the People and 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.

Proclaiming The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Reading the Word of God 2 Samuel 22:2-10 Pew Bible Page 285

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “It’s Never Too Early for Thanksgiving!” Tully Hunter

Responding to The Word

*** Affirmation of Faith** question 86, The Heidelberg Catechism

Leader: Since we are redeemed from our sin and its wretched consequences by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why must we do good works?

People: Because just as Christ has redeemed us with his blood he also renews us through his Holy Spirit according to his own image, so that with our whole life we may show ourselves grateful to God for his goodness and that he may be glorified through us; and further, so that we ourselves may be assured of our faith by its fruits and by our reverent behavior may win our neighbors to Christ.

Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory “God Bless America/America the Beautiful” (8:30)
“A Mighty Fortress if Our God” (11:00)
Grace Bells

*** Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

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.

Bearing The Word Into The World

*** Hymn #802** “The Star-Spangled Banner”

*** Charge and Benediction**

*** Choral Response** “This is My Country”
Grace Bells

*** Postlude** “Battle Hymn of the Republic” (8:30)
“Finlandia” (11:00)

* all who are able, please stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship with us at Tinkling Spring each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. In addition, on the third Sunday of each month, we hold a concurrent contemporary worship service, *Third*, in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 a.m.

If you are visiting with us this morning, we welcome you! Crib and Toddler nurseries are provided in rooms 100 and 102 on the first floor of the main building. Please see an Usher for assistance. To learn more about Tinkling Spring, or if you are interested in becoming a member, please speak with one of our pastors or greeters, or you may visit our website at www.tinklingspring.com.

Audio compact discs of today’s 11:00 a.m. worship service are available for \$4. To obtain a copy, please contact the church office (885-0746) on Monday morning.

Hearing assistance devices are available if needed. Please see an usher if you would like one for use during worship.

Last Sunday, Tinkling Spring Church welcomed 31 guests to its worship services. Each Sunday morning, many of our pews will have a first-time or repeat visitor. Your warm welcome to our guests expresses the inviting and hospitable character of this congregation. Your smile and welcoming word make a difference!

We respectfully ask that you place your cell phones and pagers on silence or vibrate prior to the worship service.

Deadline alerts: Please remember the deadline for submissions to the *bulletin is Wednesdays at 12:00 noon*. Items received after that day and time will gladly be submitted in the next week’s bulletin. The deadline for submissions to the *monthly newsletter is the 15th of every month*. Items received after that day will be held for the following newsletter.

Recent changes to our phone system will result in all calls being answered by our office administrator instead of going directly to automated individualized voice mail boxes. If our office administrator is on another line or unable to reach the telephone within three to four rings your call will be forwarded to the automated voicemail system. This approach allows the church office to answer the telephones and provide the personal touch so important to all calls and makes sure we never miss a phone call because of other responsibilities. The preschool line is still separate and will go directly to the automated voicemail. It will not ring in the church office.

Greeters for today are Rick, Nancy and Matthew Heidel for the 8:30 a.m. worship service, and Matt and Rhonda Beyeler and Mary Helen Ayers for the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

Stewardship Dedication Update! Last Sunday we received 109 pledges for a total \$348,379.00. We give thanks to God for this wonderful beginning and encourage everyone who has not done so to turn in your 2012 pledge as soon as possible by placing your pledge card in the offering plate or by bringing your pledge by or mailing it to the church office. Your dedication to serving God through Tinkling Spring is greatly appreciated.

Stewardship Reflection “The world asks, ‘What does a man own?’ Christ asks, ‘How does he use it?’” (Andrew Murray).

At the request of the Officer Nominating Committee, the Session has called a congregational meeting at 11:00 a.m., today, for the purpose of electing elders and deacons to the class of 2014. Please make plans to attend this very important, usually brief meeting.

For the office of Deacon:

Leigh Branham; Betsy Coleman; Larry Friedland; Emily Guyer;
Randy Fisher; Jeremy Sipe; and Darrell Byrd.

For the office of Elder:

Wendell Coleman; Sue Ervin; Sarah Fauber; Hazel Jones;
Harold Tate; Nancy Wadley; and Sharon Wood.

Worship Exploration takes place today during both worship services. Children ages 5 years through first grade depart the sanctuary after the Children’s Time to be involved in their own worship experience in room 108, and then return to the

sanctuary during the final hymn. Worship Exploration takes place on the second and fourth Sunday of each month from October-April.

The Confirmation Class and their covenant partners will eat following the 11:00 a.m. service in the Fellowship Hall. Afterwards, we will serve in mission together at various church member homes' doing fall clean-up.

Appreciation Dinner & Entertainment hosted tonight from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. All Youth need to be here at 4:00 p.m. to decorate Spring Hall, prepare the lasagna dinner, and practice your entertainment selection. We look forward to hosting our invited guests who have made a positive impact on our youth. If you didn't get a chance to invite an adult but still would like to participate tonight as a cook, waiter, entertainer or decorator, we could sure use your help!

Reminder: Anyone interested in going on the Medical and VBS Mission Trip to Haiti and anyone who would like to help in the preparations for the trip, please meet in room 212 on Wednesday, November 16th at 7:30 p.m. Please contact Page Hearn at 255-4577 or 290-0690 if you have any questions or are interested in helping, but cannot attend the meeting.

Another Fun Day at Tinkling Spring! Sign up your Kindergarten – 5th grade children today for a FREE, fun, faith-filled day on Friday, November 18th from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Registration forms are located on the board outside of Harriet's office. *Children must be pre-registered by tomorrow, November 14th for this event.*

“Do What” Retreat for HS youth is this weekend, Friday, November 18th – 20th from 5:30 p.m. - 9:00 a.m. We will be staying at Massanetta Cottage and learning throughout the weekend how to do the following: search for apartments, how to pray, conducting interviews in person and over skype, budgeting, shopping and making dinner, installing anti-virus software on your computer, Facebook securities, baking with Jess Houser, college and career planning with Pinky Palmer, Saturday devotion with Tully Hunter, and how to beat John, Vickie and April in Apples to Apples during the weekend. The full payment of \$35 is due today which covers food, housing and retreat supplies from Friday dinner to Sunday breakfast.

Just one week left to pack a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. Please consider filling a box and changing a child's life with this one simple gift. Information is available on the mission table under the church officer's mailboxes. **All boxes must be returned to the church by November 20th.** For questions, contact Vickie Craft at 294-8583/886-9492 or vickiecraft@msn.com.

The Personnel Committee is recognizing Emerson Deitz for his devotion to and support of Tinkling's Music Ministry next Sunday, November 20th, at both services. A reception will follow after both services in the coffee area. We hope you will join us to personally express your gratitude to one of Tinkling Spring's faithful servants!

Calling all bakers, pastry chefs, and sweet tooths! The Youth are hosting a Spaghetti Luncheon and Dessert Auction on Sunday, November 20th at 12:00 p.m. in Spring Hall. All proceeds benefit the Adopted Christmas Families project. We need MANY items for the Dessert Auction. Please sign up to bring a pie, cake, cookies, candy or whatever your specialty may be. Contact Kim Wood, kimafw@gmail.com or [448.4428](tel:448.4428) to sign up or with questions.

Would you like to bless a soldier? November 22nd is SFC Doug Wolfe's birthday. If you would like to send him a card, his address is: HHC 116 BCT, S3; FOB LAGMAN; APO AE 09383. Doug is a friend of the congregation and is listed on our prayer list. He is currently deployed in Afghanistan.

**Please see inserts for additional announcements*

<u>Our Stewardship Report</u>			
Needed per week:	\$9,935.00	Year to date:	\$447,075.00
Received last week:	\$ 16,931.08	Year to date:	\$457,446.41
Building Fund:	\$10,030.88	Other:	\$ 89.00
<u>Attendance Last Week</u>			
8:30 Worship	249	11:00 Worship	222
Sunday School	171	Sunday School Offering	\$126.00
<u>Today</u>		Ushers	<u>Nov. 20th</u>
8:30	Carl VanFossen (A) John Reno (B) Emily Reno (C) Taylor Conyers (D)		Pinky Palmer (A) Roy Groah (B) Nancy Groah (C) Abby Holland (D)
11:00	Bill McElroy (A) Dot McElroy (B) Ruth Siron (C) Tyler Edge (D)		Cynthia Corell (A) Tracy Norman (B) Angie Norman (C) Sydney Coyner (D)
<u>Weekly Schedule</u>			
Date	Time	Event	Location
Today	8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.	Worship Exploration	Room 121
Today	8:30 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Today	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	
Today	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Today	12:00 p.m.	Confirmation & Mission Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
Today	4:00 p.m.	Worship Team Practice	Fellowship Hall
Today	5:00 p.m.	Celebration Singers	Choir Room
Today	4:00 p.m.	Youth Group	Spring Hall
Today	6:00 p.m.	Worship Committee	Kitchenette
Today	6:00 p.m.	Grace Bells	Choir Room
Today	7:00 p.m.	Diaconate Meeting	Session Room
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Young Adults	Kitchenette
Monday	6:15 p.m.	Weight Watchers Meeting	Room 215
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Scout Den Meetings	Rooms 124, 122
Tuesday	9:15 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Kitchenette
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Zumba Class	Spring Hall
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Youth Wonderful Wednesdays	Youth Rooms
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesday	
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Craft Time	Room 210
Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	Haiti Medical Informational Team Mtg.	Room 212
Fri – Sun.		HS Youth “Do What?” Retreat	Massanetta Cottage
<u>Prayer List</u>			
<u>Health Concerns</u>			
Ethan Blevins	Addison Bower	Don Campbell	Kathryn Campbell
Qavah Campbell	Betty Jane Clouser	Brenda Coffey	Troy Coleman
Vicky Conyers*	Elvira Crummett	Mark Diehl	Jan Deitz
Lyle Fangman	Martha Forbes	Ariel Gandy	Jack Groome
Shirley Hanger	Lowell Harold	Janis Hepler	John Keys
Barb Kiser	Haley Kudro	JoAnne Lam	Frank Law
Goldie Lockridge	Wendy McCoy	Michael Meoni, Jr	Carol Mills
Harrison Moyers	Phyllis Myrtle	Landon Payne	Oscar Price
Terry Puffenbarger	Virginia Roscoe	Libby Shephard	Angie Smithkin
Virginia Snead	Frankie Sours	Betty Young	Nelson Sutton
David Webster*	Claire Williams	John Wimmer	Linda Young
<u>In Special Care</u>			
Jackie Batson	Vera Brown	Marianne Cashatt	Lorraine Caldwell
Joe Cappel	Bertha Terrell	Janet Weaver	Laura Weaver
Irene Wiseman	Otis Fisher		
<u>Special Concerns</u>			
Gwen Carr	Ryan Chandler	Derick Coffey	Laura Collmus
John Craft	Mike Harris	Morgan Gardner	Luke Lockridge
Logan Ridley	Jeff Sensabaugh	Ben Sprouse	Kenny Wolfe
Doug Wolfe			
<u>Bereavement</u>			
The family of Aggie Dodson*			
*New to Prayer List			
If you have a concern or joy to share with the congregation, Please drop a written note in the basket on the pulpit prior to worship.			