

MATTHEW 26:26



J E S U S

TOOK BREAD, AND BLESSED  
IT, AND BRAKE IT, AND  
GAVE IT TO THE DISCIPLES,  
AND SAID, TAKE, EAT;  
THIS IS MY BODY.



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**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

July 1, 2018

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Organist..... Mr. Frederick Bolden

Pastor..... The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

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## We Assemble in God's Name

**Organ Prelude and Lighting of Candles**

**Psalm 30: 10-12**

**Chimes**

**\*Preparation for Worship**

*from Psalm 130*

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you...

People: *Lord, hear my voice.*

Leader: Let your ears be attentive to my cries...

People: *Lord, hear my voice.*

Leader: In the word of God I put my hope...

People: *Lord, hear my voice.*

**ALL: *We shout praises to your name!***

**Gathering in Song** "I Will Enter His Gates" (cover)

**Call to Worship (unison):** Great God Almighty, we are glad to be together one more time. With excitement we share with one another and join in praises to you. Encourage us to focus our minds upon you; open our eyes to envision you; prick our ears to hear from you; and tenderize our hearts to receive you. Let us worship with joyful, magnificent, hallelujah praise for you are great and worthy to be praised. Amen.

**Welcome of Visitors**

**\* Passing of the Peace +**

Pastor: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: *Peace be with you! Let us now share the peace of God with one another.*

*(Congregation greets one another, exchanging words of peace.)*

## **Announcements and Celebrations**

**Hymn (seated)**

*"Standing on the Promises"*

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**Invitation to Prayer (unison):** Kind Lord, it is during times like these when we come to you: times when life seems stressful and frustrating. Times when doubts cloud our vision and keep us from seeing your blessings in our lives. Times when we are fearful of what is to come. It is during times like these when we come to you: times when we are happy and overflowing with joy. Times when your peace has graced our lives and offered understanding of your will. It is because of your blessings and because of your love that we confess our sins to you while offering our prayers and our praise.

### **Silent Confession**

#### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Leader:** Did you hear what I heard? God loves us so much that whoever believes in the faith of Christ, his faith unto death, that person shall not die, but find everlasting life.

**People:** *God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.*

**Leader:** Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

**All:** *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!*

#### **Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

**All:** *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.*

**Prayer Response**

*"Through It All"*

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## **We Proclaim God's Word**

**Scripture Lesson**

Mark 5: 25-34

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**Special Music**

*"This Day"*

JAB & EW

**Prayer for Illumination**

The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

**Sermon**

*"Reaching"*

## We Respond to God's Word

\***Hymn of Commitment** "We Are One in the Spirit" # 284

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

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy universal church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

\* **Gloria Patri** ..... "Glory Be to the Father" ..... # 623

*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.*

### The Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

**Offertory (unison):** Hallelujah and praises to your name! Thank you for allowing us this opportunity to respond to your love with thanksgiving. Lord, we are thankful and we are grateful for the blessings you have given to us, and we are glad that we can return some of your blessings to the church, to be used for the building of Your kingdom. In Jesus' name; Amen.

\* **Choral Response**

*All things come of Thee, O Lord; and of Thine own have we given Thee.*

## Celebration of Holy Communion

**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

**Prayer of Praise**

**Words of Institution**

**Partaking of the Bread and Cup**

**Hymn:** "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus" # 195

**Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison):** Almighty God, we thank you for your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. We bless you for creating us, for keeping us in safety, and for blessing us so rich-

ly in this life. But above all, we thank you for your boundless love in redeeming the world through our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves to your service, and live in love for one another and for you. All power and glory are yours forever and ever; Amen.

## We Go in God's Name

\*Charge and Benediction

The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

We Carry Our Light Into the World

"What a Mighty God We Serve" (insert)

\*Those who are able may stand

- Late worshipers seated

### Welcome Visitors!

We are glad you have joined us in worship today. Please fill out the card that the ushers gave you at the door. We hope to see you here again soon. Anyone who is interested in joining this part of Christ's church should speak to the pastor or one of the elders.

### Remember our Shut-Ins/Friends and Members Away from Our Community

Mr. Bob Hale—Salem Health & Rehabilitation Center, 556-6680  
1945 Roanoke Blvd, Salem VA 24153

Mr. Jim Slaughter—1219 Grayson Ave NW (24017) 366-4391

### + Notes from the Pastor +

- Bible Study: "Forming Faith" will **NOT** meet this Tuesday, July 3. Enjoy your Fourth of July!
- Office hours this week: By appointment—contact [verniesb@hotmail.com](mailto:verniesb@hotmail.com), or call the office—540.342.0264

### + Other Announcements +

- This morning we will celebrate the sacrament of **The Lord's Supper**. We will also receive our monthly Hunger Offering (in addition to our regular tithes and offerings) to assist a family in need.

# I Will Enter His Gates

*He Has Made Me Glad*

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I will en - ter his gates with thanks - giv - ing in my heart,

I will en - ter his courts with praise.

I will say this is the day that the Lord has made;

I will re - joice for he has made me glad.

PRAISE, THANKSGIVING

He has made me glad, he has made me glad,

I will re-joice for he has made me glad.

He has made me glad, he has made me glad,

I will re-joice for he has made me glad.

## Congregational Prayer and Pastoral Concerns

- For our nation and its leadership, for President Trump; for our state and local officials, and those elected to national office— for wisdom and compassion, for a spirit of cooperation and the overcoming of barriers; for a capacity to seek the greater good instead of personal gain;
- For all who seek asylum; for families which have been separated*
- For the leaders of other countries, and the efforts of all who seek to bring peace to the world—for North and South Korea; for Iran; for Israel/Palestine; for Syria; for The Congo; for Puerto Rico
- For our enemies, both personal and national, including terrorists
- For our pastor and his family; for our ministry together
- For unity in the Church, cooperation among denominations, for people of other faiths and for those who have no faith
- For all who mourn the deaths of loved ones and friends: for victims of violence: *for people in our own Roanoke & SW Virginia region*; victims of mass shootings; communities dealing with the aftermath of both natural disasters and manmade accidents, & for those who work to help them rebuild their lives; for those suffering from famine and hunger
- For those battling cancer & other health and life-challenging issues, for those dealing with depression, with addiction; for those recovering from illness or surgery: Michael Blankenship, Priscilla Preston, Bob Hale, Terry Campbell, Audra Williams, *Ernestine Johnson*, Pat Brown (Ruth's sister), Carolyn Coleman (cousin of Joyce & Fred), Rev. Dusty Fiedler, Anita Pendleton, Jim Slaughter, The Roberson family, Ruth Hilton, Brenda Williams, Jackie Manns, Harold Robertson, Paul Witting (with Parkinson's), Betsy Haskins' grandson Asher, Glenn Christy, Robert Woodworth; health care workers and researchers; for the elderly
- For our children and youth; for their teachers & school staff; for those in our neighborhood; for those who work with young people and seek to bring them to Christ and to nurture their faith in him
- For our service men and women stationed around the world and their families
- For those who seek employment, for the under-employed, for the homeless, for those who are in fear of losing their homes or their jobs; for those under stress at work and at home.

Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:31b-32, NIV)