



For the message of the
cross is foolishness to
those who are perishing,
but to us who are
being saved
it is the
power of
God.

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 26, 2020

Pastor.....The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.
Organist..... Mr. Frederick Bolden
Choir Director.....Mr. Rayfus Parham
Pianist.....Ms. Kimari Wright

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Organ Prelude and Lighting of Candles

Scripture Sentences

Chimes

Preparation for Worship (responsive) *(from Psalm 27)*

Pastor: The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear?

People: *The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?*

Pastor: Hear my voice when I call, Lord;
be merciful to me and answer me.

People: *My heart says of you, "Seek his face!"
Your face, Lord, I will seek.*

ALL: ***Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart
and wait for the Lord.***

Call to Worship (unison): Almighty God, beyond all knowing, seeing, touching, far beyond our understanding: in prayer and praise and proclamation of your Word we dare to speak about you, to speak to you, and to listen for your voice. You have called us to be your people and we are gathered in this place, lifting up our joys and sorrows, our hopes and disappointments; but most of all we offer our love and gratitude for your grace and mercy and steadfast abiding love. Fill us with your Spirit, Lord.

Strengthen us for service that we may honor you with our daily lives, and draw others to you. All glory and honor belong to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

* **Gathering in Song** "Come, Thou Fount" # 2

Welcome and Recognition of Visitors

* **Passing of the Peace +**

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

People: *And also with you!*

ALL: Let us now share the peace of God with one another.

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

Announcements and Celebrations

Worship in Song "They'll Know We are Christians" # 284

Prayer Concerns

Invitation to Prayer *(from Isaiah 12)*

Pastor: "Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid,

People: *for the LORD is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.*

**ALL: With joy we will draw water from the wells of salvation. "
As we come to God in prayer, we remember with gratitude
God's grace and unfailing love for all people. We can trust
that God will keep his promises — for comfort, guidance,
forgiveness, mercy, healing, and hope.**

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 "His Name is Wonderful" # 101

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson 1 Corinthians 1:18 page 1385

Special Music "I Know I Have Another Building" The Choir

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Commitment "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" # 52

*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 Prayer The Rev. Vernie Bolden

* Choral Response

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

WE GO OUT TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

*Charge and Benediction The Rev. Vernie Bolden

We Carry Our Light Into the World

"Just a Closer Walk" (vs. 1 and chorus) # 380

*Those who are able may stand

+ Late worshipers seated

Welcome !



We are so glad that you decided to share with us in worship today! Whether we are young or old, longtime worshipers or here for the first time, whether we come full of joy or confidence or doubts or sorrow, in this place, by the grace and mercy of God-in-Christ, we are family.

Feel at peace in how you express praise for the Lord! Whether quiet and reflective, clapping hands and stomping feet, shouts of praise and utterances to God, in this place, by the loving acceptance of Jesus, we are family. Please feel at home!

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.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
(2 Corinthians 13:14, NIV)

Announcements & Celebrations

***Forming Faith Bible Study - Tuesdays at 6 pm.
Come grow with us!***

The Pastor's Office hours are by appointment—contact
vernlee3@hotmail.com, or call the office—540.342.0264

The Choir meets as announced Come join the fellowship.

Remember: No one should have to choose between paying rent and feeding their family. School has started, and children are hungry. Bring a food offering to share with those who need our help.



**Remember our Shut-Ins/Friends
with a call, a card, a visit, your prayers**

<u>Mr. Bob Hale</u> —Salem Health & Rehabilitation Center, 1945 Roanoke Blvd, Salem VA 24153	541-8898
<u>Mr. Jim Slaughter</u> —1219 Grayson Ave NW (24017)	366-0391
<u>Ms. Shirley Calhoun</u> —3087 Ordway Drive # J (24017)	362-0617

Why do we ring the chimes?

For centuries, churches have used bells to announce to the whole community that it is time for worship. Bells, or chimes, tell us it is time to cease our chatter so that we can focus on the reason we are here: we have come to worship a sovereign God who demands our full attention.

We sound our chimes three times, once for each member of the Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Next Sunday we will celebrate the Sacrament of The Lord's Supper. We will also receive our monthly offering to help our neighbors in need.