

## ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

"And Jesus answered them, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance!'"

– Luke 5:31–32

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October 11, 2020	Morning Worship	10:40 a.m.
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*Please silence all electronic devices.*

**"Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of His praise be heard."**

Prelude	I'd Rather Have Jesus <i>with</i> Great Is Thy Faithfulness Ms. Lisa Barry, organ	Burger
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Welcome

Call to Worship

* Hymn	Great Is Thy Faithfulness	FAITHFULNESS
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**Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.**

**Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.**

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!**

\* Prayer of Adoration

**"He does not retain His anger forever because He delights in steadfast love."**

Old Testament Lesson	Amos 7:10–17
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This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

General Prayer of Confession  
**Lord God, our Heavenly Father, have mercy on us for we have sinned and fallen short of Your glory. Not a single one of us is righteous**

**before You. Our sins are as scarlet and our best efforts are as filthy rags. Therefore, we humbly seek Your cleansing and forgiveness through the shed blood of Jesus Christ, Your Son, and our only hope of salvation. Amen.**

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness	Pastor Heath Cross
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* Hymn	Amazing Grace!	AMAZING GRACE
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**Amazing grace! – how sweet the sound – that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!**

**Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.**

**The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.**

**And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease,  
I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.**

**"No one can serve two masters...You cannot serve God and money."**

Deacon Nominee Testimony	Mr. Mark Thomas
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God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Offertory	Let Your Faith Be Stronger Than Your Fear Stephens Valley Church Choir Mr. Travis Lamb, soloist	Trenney
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In the deserts of your life, I'll not desert you. I will make a way beside a flowing stream. Through the valley, do not fear, for I am with you. My rod and staff to comfort and redeem. In the darkness of your life, I will not leave you. In the shadow, I'm your light, your lamp, your sun. I will be the star that shines above to guide you, a light unto your path to lead you on. Do not be afraid, I go before you. Do not be afraid, I am by your side. Be still and know that I am with you. Let your faith be stronger than your fear. When you're weary, when you're faint, I will be with you. I will raise you up to soar on eagle's wings. I will be the joy that seeks you through your sorrow. Unending hope my resurrection brings. When the storms of life assail, I will uphold you. I will strengthen you, I'll be the help you need. Though the waters rage and foam, fear not, I'm with you. I am the way, the truth, the life, indeed!

**"For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword..."**

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson	Mark 5:1–20
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All flesh is grass, and all its loveliness is like the flower of the field.

**The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever.**

Sermon	Transformation in the Tombs	Pastor Jim Bachmann
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Prayer of Supplication

**"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst."**

Words of Institution

Breaking the Bread	Jesus, King of Angels Mr. Travis Lamb, solo, and Mr. David German, piano	Ortega
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Jesus, King of angels, Heaven's Light, shine Your face upon this house tonight; let no evil come into my dreams; Light of Heaven, keep me in Your peace. Remind me how You made dark spirits flee and spoke Your power to the raging sea and spoke Your mercy to a sinful man; remind me, Jesus, for this is what I am. The universe is vast beyond the stars but You are mindful when a sparrow falls and mindful of the anxious thoughts that find me, surround me, and bind me. With all my heart, I love You, Sovereign Lord; tomorrow let me love You even more and rise to speak the goodness of Your name until I close my eyes in sleep again. Jesus, King of angels, Heaven's light, hold my hand and keep me through this night.

Sharing the Cup

* Hymn	Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!	ADA
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**Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it!  
Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;  
Redeemed through His infinite mercy, His child and forever, I am.**

**Redeemed, redeemed, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;  
Redeemed through His infinite mercy, His child and forever, I am.**

**Redeemed and so happy in Jesus,  
No language my rapture can tell;  
I know that the light of His presence with me doth continually dwell.**

**I think of my blessed Redeemer,  
I think of Him all the day long;  
I sing, for I cannot be silent; His love is the theme of my song.**

\* Benediction

* Postlude	Processional on O God Beyond All Praising Ms. Lisa Barry, organ	arr. Thiman
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\* congregation standing

– ANNOUNCEMENTS –

**Greetings:** We welcome you to our time of worship this morning! We ask you to observe the recommended social distancing guidelines and strongly encourage everyone to wear a mask.

**Communion:** Please note that a gluten-free option for communion is available at both entrances to the fellowship hall.

**Share our YouTube:** One of the best ways to promote our church is by sharing the link to our YouTube channel. Look for the word "share" at the bottom of any video and you can cut and paste the link.

**Wednesday Night Bible Study:** Join us for our last Wednesday Night Bible Study. Pastor Heath Cross' hot button topic this week will be Jesus. Dinner is served at 5:15 p.m.; the Bible study will begin at 6:00 p.m. This week's menu is pulled pork and cornbread, squash casserole, coleslaw and pumpkin pie. Reservations for dinner and childcare (ages 0-3) must be submitted through the church website by today. The suggested donation for dinner is \$7/person and \$25/family.

**SVC Youth:** All SVC middle and high school students are invited and encouraged to invite their friends on Wednesday night from 5:00-8:00 p.m. for dinner and a fun time of games, fellowship, and discovering what God's Word has to say about today's hot topics in student culture. For more information, contact Troy Hargrave (thargrave19@gmail.com).

**SVC Prayer:** Join us for our last Wednesday night prayer time at 4:30 p.m. in Room 201A.

**SVC Men's Bible Study:** The men's Bible study on the Sermon on the Mount continues this Friday from 9:00-10:00 a.m. For more information, contact Craig Valentine (craigv@entrust4.org).

**SVC Women's Bible Study:** The Tuesday morning Bible study continues through November 17 and begins again on January 19 through March 30. All women are invited and encouraged to attend from 10:00-11:30 a.m. Childcare is available up to age 4.

**SVC Women Schedule Changes:** Due to the ongoing COVID-19 virus, the Widows' Luncheon for October has been canceled. The SVC Women's conference with Nancy Hicks has been rescheduled for Saturday, April 24, 2021. The Christmas breakfast is now scheduled for Thursday, December 10.

**Christian Business Expo:** On Saturday, October 24, Stephens Valley Church will host the Christian Business Expo, presented jointly by Christian Business Leaders Roundtable and the Tennessee Christian Chamber of Commerce. Nearly 50 businesses representing 17 industry sectors will have exhibits. If you own a business or would like to participate as an exhibitor, contact Tim Cummings (cent@interserv.com). If you are willing to be a greeter for some or all of the event, contact Jan Evett (jevett@gmail.com) or Vickie Cummings (vwilcox17@yahoo.com).

Stephens Valley Church (SVC) cleans regularly with products designed specifically to neutralize COVID-19, including weekly cleaning of all public spaces used during worship, and more frequent cleaning of common areas used intermittently during the week. In addition, SVC conducts temperature checks upon entry, provides hand sanitizer and masks, and encourages social distancing. We have also restructured our communion, offering, and attendance pad process to avoid person to person handling. Despite these efforts, an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place or meeting where people are present as well as other inherent risks and dangers associated with public meetings. By your presence at SVC, you knowingly and voluntarily, accept, and assume responsibility for, each of these risks and dangers, including but not limited to COVID-19, and all other risks and dangers that could arise out of, or occur during, your use of the facilities at Stephens Valley Church.

– THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR –

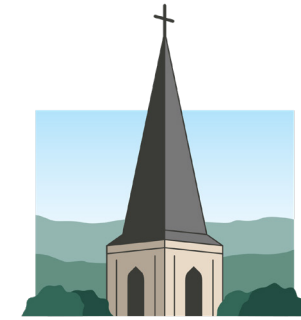
Today, 9:00 a.m.	Officers' Prayer Time
Today, 9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
Today, 10:40 a.m.	Worship service
Today, 3:00 p.m.	Council Meeting
Today, 5:00 p.m.	DivorceCare (online via Zoom)
Monday, 9:00 a.m.	Sabbatical Search Career Group
Monday, 10:00 a.m.	SVC Women's Board Meeting (Café)
Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.	SVC Women's Bible Study leaders meeting (Café)
Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.	SVC Women's Bible Study
Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.	Sweet Half Hour of Prayer (St. Paul Chapel, first floor)
Wednesday, 4:30 p.m.	Prayer Time (Room 201A)
Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.	GriefShare (online via Zoom)
Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.	SVC Youth Gathering
Wednesday, 5:15 p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner
Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.	Wednesday Night Bible Study
Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	Church office closed
Friday, 9:00 a.m.	SVC Men's Bible Study (Café)

**Our Missionaries**

African Christian Training Institute  
Chosen People Ministries  
Larry and Mary Warren—Leadership International  
Paul and Rachel Snider—MK2MK  
David and Robin Dillard—Servant Group International  
Peter and Gracie Rosenberger—Standing With Hope  
Trans World Radio—Multimedia evangelism  
Radooga—Ukraine  
Voice of the Martyrs—supporting persecuted Christians  
Andy and Bev Warren—Ethiopia, Africa  
Confex and Mwai Makhilira—Malawi, Africa  
Pete and Ruth Mitchell—France  
Dr. Nabil Costa—MEBO—Lebanon  
Ale and Lynn Aho—Tonga  
Matt and Deborah Stanghelle—Norway  
Perry and Betty Husemann—Southern Europe  
Guy and EJ—East Asia (sensitive area)  
Lewis and Elsbeth Codington—Korea

**SVC Missions Committee**

Bill Kenny, chairman  
Dick Speece, vice-chairman  
Dick Baxter  
Lisa Hanley  
Tammi Hollis  
Tom Smith  
Susan Sutherland  
Terry Warren  
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## Transformation in the Tombs

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