## ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

"All over the world this gospel is bearing fruit and growing."

Colossians 1:6

February 14, 2021 Morning Worship 10:40 a.m.

## "Let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe..."

Prelude How Great Thou Art arr. Hobby Ms. Lisa Barry, organ

Welcome

Call to Worship

\* Hymn How Great Thou Art O STORE GUD

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.

# "Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall."

**Old Testament Lesson** 

Joel 2:28-32

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

#### **General Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, we humbly seek Your grace and mercy. We are without excuse for our many sins. We are sorry that we have broken Your law and grieved Your Spirit. Forgive us; cleanse us; renew us, and save us we ask, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Prayer of Intercession

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Pastor Heath Cross

\* Hymn Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee; Let the water and the blood, from Thy riven side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling; Naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death, When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

# "God loves a cheerful giver..."

God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Anthem

For the Beauty of the Earth Stephens Valley Church Choir Rutter

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies. Lord of all, to Thee we raise this, our joyful hymn of praise. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light. Lord of all, to Thee we raise this, our joyful hymn of praise. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild. Lord of all, to Thee we raise this, our joyful hymn of praise. For each perfect gift of Thine, to our race so freely given; graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven. Lord of all, to Thee we raise this, our joyful hymn of praise.

"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness."

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson

Mark 13:1-37 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 The Terminal Generation

**Prayer of Supplication** 

"I am the vine and you are the branches. Whoever abides in Me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing."

Words of Institution

Breaking the Bread

This Is My Father's World

arr. Barry/Bennett

Pastor Jim Bachmann

Mr. David German, piano, and Ms. Lisa Barry, organ

Sharing the Cup

\* Hymn

Rejoice, All Ye Believers

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Rejoice, all ye believers, and let your lights appear; The evening is advancing, the darker night is near; The Bridegroom is arising, and soon He draweth nigh; Up, pray, and watch, and wrestle: at midnight comes the cry.

See that your lamps are burning; replenish them with oil; And wait for your salvation, the end of earthly toil. The watchers on the mountain proclaim the Bridegroom near; Go meet Him as He cometh, with alleluias clear.

Ye saints, who here in patience your cross and suff'rings bore, Shall live and reign forever, when sorrow is no more; Around the throne of glory the Lamb ye shall behold, In triumph cast before Him your diadems of gold.

Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear; Arise, thou sun so longed for, o'er this benighted sphere. With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see The day of earth's redemption that brings us unto Thee.

\* Benediction

\* Postlude

For the Beauty of the Earth Ms. Lisa Barry, organ

arr. Phillips

<sup>\*</sup> Prayer of Adoration

<sup>\*</sup> congregation standing

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS –

**Greetings:** We warmly welcome everyone to our service this morning. If you are visiting today, you are encouraged to stop by and meet one of our pastors in the lobby after the service.

**Sign In:** We ask that everyone register their attendance this morning by signing the black attendance booklets available on the tables in the vestibule. For our virtual attenders, you will find a link to our virtual attendance pad underneath the video.

**Share and Subscribe:** Please forward our YouTube worship service video to people who may be interested. Simply click on the word "share" under the video. You will have the option to share the video by email, Twitter, Facebook, and more. We also encourage you to subscribe to our YouTube channel if you have not already done so. Just click on the "subscribe" link. This helps to promote the ministry of our church.

Wednesday Night Bible Study and Dinner: Colossians 3:2 says, "Set your mind on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." This may be the most disobeyed commandment in the Bible! It's so easy to be consumed with current events that we forget that we are pilgrims and strangers on the earth. It's easy to forget that this world isn't our true home. In this series, we'll spend six weeks "setting our minds on things that are above" by thinking about the glories of Heaven, the home we should all be longing for. Join us beginning Wednesday, February 17, at 5:15 p.m. for a family dinner and Bible study. The cost is \$10/ person with a cap of \$30/family. Reservations are required and can be made through the church website. The menu for 2/17 is oven-fried chicken breast, corn pudding, broccoli with lemon butter, green apple salad with apple, cranraisin, glazed pecans and apple vinaigrette dressing, yeast roll and strawberry

**Donations Needed:** Bring warm coats, sweaters, jackets, hats, scarves, gloves, heavy shirts, socks, etc. for men, women and children in heavy duty plastic bags. Drop off inside the south entrance through February. Clothing will be delivered weekly to the Nashville Rescue Mission. Contact Prudy Nichol with questions.

**Pictures:** In order to populate the online church directory, we need to take your picture. Look for Deena Russell in the lobby over the next several weeks. She will take your picture and the church office will upload it to the directory. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

**Lost and Found:** Have you recently misplaced something in our building? We have a number of items in the lost and found box under the counter in the Welcome Center. Take a look!

### **Financial Report**

February Weekly Offering Needed	\$32,966
February 7 General Fund Offering	\$42,512
Total February General Fund Offering	\$42,512
Current 2021 General Fund Deficit	\$67,693
February 7 Building Fund received	\$1,500
February Building Fund received	\$1,500

## - 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. DivorceCare (online via Zoom) Today, 5:00 p.m. GriefShare (online via Zoom)

Monday

Church office closed Monday, 9:00 a.m. Sabbatical Search Career Group

Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. SVC Women's Bible Study leaders (Rutherford Room)

Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. SVC Women's Bible Study

Sweet Half Hour of Prayer (St. Paul Chapel, first floor) Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. Prayer Time (Room 201A) 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, 10:00 a.m. SVC Women's Shawl Committee (Rutherford Room)

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 Jean Speece Susan Sutherland Terry Warren Alva Wolfe

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, handwashing, and other means of personal protection. We have also restructured our communion offering, and attendance pad process to avoid person to person handling. Davidson County lists an exception to its mandatory mask requirements when attending a worship service by referring to Governor Lee's voluntary guidelines. Based on the Governor's recommendation to wear a face covering, we recommend wearing a mask as well, but this i a recommendation for voluntary compliance, which is a decision to be made by each individual. 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 isks and dangers that could arise out of, or occur during, your use of the facilities at Stephens Valley Church.



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# The Terminal Generation

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