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“And Jesus said to His disciples, ‘Truly, I say to you, only with difficulty will a rich person enter the kingdom of heaven.’”

– Matthew 19:23

February 23, 2020 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

God Calls Us to Worship

Welcome

Building Committee Report

Mr. Dave Jones

Prelude

Rock of Ages
Ms. Lisa Barry, organ

Roberts

Call to Worship

* Hymn

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

**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

Pastor Heath Cross

God Calls Us to Repent

Epistle Lesson

1 Timothy 2:1–7

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

General Prayer of Confession

Our Father in heaven, we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Far too often the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts have been displeasing to You and grievous to Your Spirit. Have mercy upon us, we pray. Save our souls and sanctify our hearts. Grant us peace beyond understanding, assurance in every trial, comfort in every sorrow, strength in every temptation, and contentment in every circumstance, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

* Hymn

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADER'S HYMN

**Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.**

**Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.**

**Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,
And all the twinkling, starry host:
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heav'n can boast.**

**Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be Thine.**

God Calls Us to Give and Serve

God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Anthem

Let Me Hide Myself in Thee
Stephens Valley Church Choir

arr. Courtney

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee; let the water and the blood, from Thy wounded side which flowed, be of sin the double cure; save from wrath and make me pure. Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to the 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 eyes shall 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.

* Presentation of Gifts

AUSTRIAN HYMN

**Savior, if of Zion's city I, through grace, a member am,
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Thy name;
Fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.**
(Children ages 4–6 may be dismissed to Children's Church, room #38.)

* Prayer of Dedication

God Calls Us to Study His Word

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson

Luke 16:19–31

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 Hardness of the Human Heart

Pastor Jim Bachmann

Prayer of Supplication

God Calls Us to His Table

Words of Institution

Breaking the Bread

More Love to Thee
Mr. David German, piano

arr. Hayes

Sharing the Cup

* Hymn

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

**My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.**

**His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.**

**When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.**

* Benediction

* Postlude

Solid Rock
Ms. Lisa Barry, organ

Philips

* congregation standing

Stephens Valley
Church presents

GUEST PREACHER
REV. ALISTAIR BEGG



“Marks of an Effective Church”: Join us as we welcome Alistair Begg March 28-29!
Please note the tentative schedule:

Saturday, March 28, 7:00 p.m.—Service with refreshments to follow
Sunday, March 29, 9:30 a.m.—Combined adult Sunday School classes
10:40 a.m.—Worship service

6:30 p.m.—Service with music by Keith and Kristyn Getty





Thursday, February 27

11:30 a.m. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
with Bellevue Harpeth Chamber of Commerce

Sunday, March 1

9:30 a.m. Sunday School (*new time!*)
10:40 a.m. Opening Worship Service (*new time!*)

Friday, March 6

Celebration Dinner
6:00 p.m. Doors open
6:30 p.m. Food is served

Saturday, March 7

Open House
2:00–5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 8

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:40 a.m. Dedication service

– ANNOUNCEMENTS –

Greetings: Welcome to our time of worship this morning! Today is our last worship service here as we move to our new facility next Sunday. Therefore, as a congregation, we wish to thank Dr. Andy Davis, principal, and his staff for their hospitality and wonderful assistance these last three years. THANK YOU and God bless you!

The times they are a changin! Please note that, starting next Sunday, March 1, we will begin Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. and the worship service at 10:40 a.m. Also, note that the following Sunday, March 8, we all need to “spring forward” as Daylight Savings Time begins.

Open House Invitations: Be sure to pick up some of our Open House invitations for distribution to your friends and acquaintances that may be looking for a church home.

Sunday Greeters Need: We are expanding our SVC Welcoming Team in order to be available at 3 entry doors and welcome center locations in our new building. Greeter shifts are 8:55–9:30 a.m. and 10:05–10:40 a.m. All you need is a dedication to serve and a warm smile. Greeter training for all greeters will take place today after the worship service for 15 minutes. For more information, please contact Prudy Nichol.

Bakers Needed: In order to provide hospitality and encourage fellowship at our Open House, we are requesting donations of homemade bakery items: brownies, cookies, lemon bars, chess bars—anything that can be picked up and eaten. (Absolutely no nuts, please!) If you are willing to do some baking, please contact Joan Guthrey (joanguthrey@yahoo.com) and tell her what you are making and how many you are providing (minimum 36 of the same item). Bakery items can be dropped off in the church’s kitchen on Friday evening (March 6) when you attend the Celebration Dinner. Please package your food in disposable containers.

Ukraine Mission Trip: Several SVC members are traveling to Ukraine this summer to minister to unchurched teenagers. To sponsor the team (as a whole or an individual) with a tax-deductible gift, please write a check to Stephens Valley Church and drop it in the offering or send it to the church office. You must include a note in the memo section to designate the gift to Ukraine Trip or Ukraine Trip-Team Member’s Name. If you have any questions, please contact Terry Warren or Alva Wolfe.

– THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR –

Today, 8:20 a.m. Officers’ prayer meeting, Room 18
Today, 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
Today, 10:00 a.m. Worship service
Monday, 9:00 a.m. Sabbatical Search Career Group, Panera Bread at Green Hills Mall
Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. SVC Women Bible Studies
Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. Sweet Half Hour of Prayer, 5031 Hillsboro Pike, in the St. Paul Chapel, first floor
Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal
Thursday, 11:30 a.m. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony with Bellevue Harpeth Chamber of Commerce
Friday, 9:00 a.m. SVC Men’s Bible Study (Corner Pub, 8058 Hwy 100)
Friday, 10:00 a.m. SVC Men’s Brunch (Corner Pub, 8058 Hwy 100)

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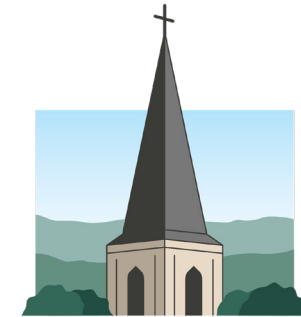
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