

| ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD   |                 |            |
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| “But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people, that you should show forth the praises of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.” |                 |            |
| – 1 Peter 2:9   |                 |            |
| August 25, 2019   | Morning Worship | 10:00 a.m. |

| God Calls Us to Worship  |  |        |
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| Welcome  |  |        |
| Prelude  | Blessed Assurance<br>Ms. Lisa Barry, organ | Near   |
| Call to Worship  |  |        |
| * Hymn   | And Can It Be That I Should Gain           | SAGINA |
| And can it be that I should gain an int’rest in the Savior’s blood?<br>Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued?<br>Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?<br>Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?                |  |        |
| Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature’s night;<br>Thine eye diffused a quick’ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;<br>My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.<br>Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me? |  |        |
| No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!<br>Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,<br>Bold I approach th’ eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.<br>Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?              |  |        |
| * Prayer of Adoration  | Pastor Heath Cross                         |        |

| God Calls Us to Repentance   |               |               |
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| New Testament Lesson   |               |               |
| Romans 10:5–13   |               |               |
| This is the word of the Lord.<br>Thanks be to God!   |               |               |
| General Prayer of Confession   |               |               |
| Gracious God our Father, have mercy upon us. We come before You as unworthy people, defiled by our sin, in need of Your forgiveness. Too often we have denied the faith, rebelled against Your word, and engaged in works of darkness. Be gracious to us, O Lord. Please forgive our many sins. Please give us clean hands and pure hearts. Enable us to walk in paths of righteousness for Your name’s sake, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. |               |               |
| Silent Prayers of Confession   |               |               |
| Assurance of Forgiveness   |               |               |
| * Hymn   | Amazing Grace | AMAZING GRACE |
| Amazing grace! – how sweet the sound – that saved a wretch like me!<br>I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.  |               |               |

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| The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;<br>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,<br>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,<br>We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise than when we’ve first begun. |

# God Calls Us to Give and Serve

## The Installation of Reverend Heath Cross as Assistant Pastor

### Questions to Reverend Cross:

Are you now willing to serve this congregation as their assistant pastor, agreeable to your declaration in accepting its call?

Do you conscientiously believe and declare, as far as you know your own heart, that, in taking upon you this charge, you are influenced by a sincere desire to promote the glory of God and the good of the church?

Do you solemnly promise that, by the assistance of the grace of God, you will endeavor faithfully to discharge all the duties of assistant pastor to this congregation, and will be careful to maintain a deportment in all respects becoming a minister of the gospel of Christ, agreeable to your ordination engagements?

### Questions to the congregation of Stephens Valley Church:

Do you, the people of this congregation, profess your readiness to receive Reverend Heath Cross as your assistant pastor?

Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love, and to submit to him in the due exercise of his office?

Do you promise to encourage him in his labors, and to assist his endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?

Do you engage to provide him with competent worldly maintenance while he is your assistant pastor and furnish him with whatever you may see needful for the honor of religion and for his comfort among you?

### Prayer of Installation

### God's Tithe and Our Offerings

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| Anthem                       | Be Thou My Vision | arr. German |
| Stephens Valley Church Choir |                   |             |

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, naught be all else to me, save that Thou art; Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one. Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and Thou only first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art. High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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| Presentation of Gifts   | LASST UNS ERFREUEN |
| <p>Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,<br/>O praise Him, alleluia!</p> |                    |

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| Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son<br>And praise the Spirit, three in one,<br>O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!<br>(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   |                      |                     |
| Old Testament Lesson  |                      |                     |
| Joshua 2:1–24   |                      |                     |
| All flesh is grass, and all its loveliness is like the flower of the field.<br>The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever.   |                      |                     |
| Sermon  | An Unlikely Believer | Pastor Jim Bachmann |
| Prayer of Supplication  |                      |                     |
| God Calls Us to His Table   |                      |                     |
| * Affirmation of Faith  |                      |                     |
| The Apostle’s 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 at 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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. |                      |                     |
| Words of Institution  |                      |                     |
| Breaking the Bread  |                      |                     |
| Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart  |                      |                     |
| arr. Innes  |                      |                     |
| Mr. David German, piano and Ms. Lisa Barry, organ   |                      |                     |
| Sharing the Cup   |                      |                     |
| * Hymn  | Blessed Assurance    | ASSURANCE           |
| Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!<br>Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.   |                      |                     |
| This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;<br>This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.  |                      |                     |
| Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;<br>Angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.  |                      |                     |
| Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest;<br>Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love.  |                      |                     |
| * Benediction   |                      |                     |
| * Postlude  | LASST UNS ERFREUEN   | Bednall             |
| Ms. Lisa Barry, organ   |                      |                     |
| * congregation standing   |                      |                     |

– ANNOUNCEMENTS –

**Greetings** to everyone this morning! In particular we welcome our visitors and thank you for joining us. Please join us for fellowship and refreshments in the cafeteria following our service.

**Building Update:** Masonry work has begun on the exterior of the building! All twenty AC units were placed on the roof on Friday. Spray-applied fireproofing will start tomorrow. Electrical underground work that will bring phase 3 power to our site will also start tomorrow. Drywall will be hung beginning September 2. Six-inch underground piping work for the fire hydrants has been approved and the final flow test will take place next week. God is good!



**Thank You:** “We are so grateful for all the phone calls, texts, and cards after Stephen’s recent eye surgery. We are hopeful that some of his sight will return in the future. We covet your continued prayers. The blessings are still coming.” — Patti and Stephen Meade

**Volunteers Needed:** We are in need of people who are willing to participate on the Communion Preparation Team. For more information, please contact Roy Pearson.

**Join the Choir:** If you have been thinking about singing in the choir, now is the best time to join! We are learning some new anthems and getting ready to prepare for the Christmas season. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Julia Green auditorium. Contact David German if this is an area where you would like to serve the church and bring glory to God.

**Missions:** A Middle Eastern child soldier who turned atheist after Islam, finally heard the Good News in Christ and, after more than 10 years, believed. Later trained online by the seminary our church supports there, an adversary became his first convert due to an accident he survived. Read about him and others in the Persecuted Church in magazines, a free map and the prayer guide on the Missions Table in the lobby.

**Men’s Breakfast:** Make plans now to attend the men’s breakfast taking place this Friday, August 30, at 10:00 a.m. at Corner Pub (8058 Hwy 100).

**Care Ministries:** There will be a special seminar entitled “Loss of a Spouse” this afternoon from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Stephens Valley Conference Center (441 Union Bridge Road, 37221). The next 13-week session of GriefShare begins Sunday, September 8, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Stephens Valley Conference Center. DivorceCare will begin on Monday, September 10, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the small conference room at the Bellevue Public Library (720 Baugh Road, 37221). Both ministries will also offer “Surviving the Holidays” gatherings in November. All are invited and welcome to attend. For more information, go to the church website or contact Jan Evett or Vernon Prevatt.

– THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR –

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| 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, 4:00 p.m.   | Sweet Half Hour of Prayer, 5031 Hillsboro Pike, in the St. Paul Chapel, first floor |
| Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. | Building Committee meeting (6000 Pasquo Road)                                       |
| Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. | Choir rehearsal (Julia Green Auditorium)  |
| Friday, 10:00 a.m.   | Men’s Breakfast (8058 Hwy 100, Nashville, 37221)                                    |



**Church Picnic:** Our church wide picnic is taking place on Saturday, September 7, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Gay Vance’s farm in Franklin. Along with a catered meal from Corky’s BBQ at 3:00 p.m., you’ll have a chance to show off your culinary skills by bringing your favorite dessert to share. There will be games for all ages, lots of fellowship, and the donkey cart is making an encore appearance! Don’t forget to bring your lawn chairs and picnic blankets. Please RSVP on the church website. Note: this event will take the place of Sunday Lunch in September.



**Ladies Night Out:** All women of the church are invited to a gathering on Friday, September 6, at 6:00 p.m. at Dalts American Grill (38 White Bridge Road, 37205). Come and enjoy an evening of food (dutch treat), fellowship, sharing, and caring! Our mission emphasis is Tennessee Prison for Women. Suggested donations include envelopes, paper, folders, greeting cards, Bic pens and pencils, stamps and Kleenex.

**WOSVC Fall Bible Studies:** The fall Bible studies begin on Tuesday, September 10. There are two different study books that will be offered. Registration will take place for the next 4 Sundays in the school lobby. We encourage all women to prayerfully consider their involvement.

*The Lamb of God* by Nancy Guthrie (Cost: \$11)

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. led by Kristen Bachmann  
at the home of Mica Copeland

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. led by Karen Jones  
at the home of Donna Kimery

*Chosen by God* by R.C. Sproul (Cost: \$10)

Tuesdays at 9:45 a.m. led by Susan Joseph  
at the home of Susan Joseph



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