

Greeters Today: Eugene & Lynna Altizer
 Greeters Next Week: Norma Smith & David King
Note: Greeters, if you will not be available a particular Sunday, please contact Barbara at the church office.
 Nursery Today: Mary Jane Crosby and Cassie Pochyla
 Nursery Next Week: Melissa Eller & Adriana Jackson
Note: Nursery Volunteers, if you switch your scheduled day, please contact Barbara at the church office after calling Retha to change your day.
 Young Disciples' Worship: Tim & Holly Briscoe
 Deacon of the Week: Carolyn McConnell (676-3924)
 Deacon of the Week Next Week: Ed Dean (451-1500)

This Week's Events

Sun.	Sept. 9	9:45am 11:00am 3:00pm	Sunday School-Rally Sunday Worship Service Covenant Signing Ceremony at Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church for Habitat House
Tues.	Sept. 11	7:00pm	Session Meeting
Wed.	Sept. 12	10:00am 7:00pm	Bible Study/Prayer Group Choir Practice
Sat.	Sept. 15	10:00am	Washington County Fair Parade

Coming Soon

Sun.	Sept. 16	9:45am 11:00am After worship	Sunday School Worship Service Potluck Lunch and Celebration for Emma Faith Hensley
Wed.	Sept. 19	10:00am 7:00pm	Bible Study/Prayer Group Choir Practice

A member congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), Abingdon Presbytery
Green Spring Presbyterian Church
 serves Jesus Christ at
 22007 Green Spring Church Road, Abingdon, VA 24211
 Adult & Children Sunday School Classes at 9:45am
 Worship Service & Young Disciples' Worship at 11:00am
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Welcome



Green Spring Presbyterian Church

A place to worship, to serve, to belong ... Since 1781

September 9, 2012

Reverend Jon Elliott Martin, Pastor

Order of Worship

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 9, 2012

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Passing the Peace

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Choral Introit

Come and Fill Our Hearts

Taize

*Call to Worship (Psalm 96:1-4a)

One: O sing to the Lord a new song;

All: sing to the Lord, all the earth!

One: Sing to the Lord, bless God's name.

All: tell of God's salvation from day to day.

One: For great is the Lord,

All: and greatly to be praised!

*Hymn #20

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you, our neighbor, or ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Affirmation of Faith (The Nicene Creed, Hymn#15)

*Response of Praise (*Gloria Patri*, #805)

Commissioning of Our Music Ministry***

Anthem

When in our Music God is Glorified

arr. Ziegenhals

Shelby Carico, Trumpet

Scripture Reading

Psalm 96

The Offering

Offertory

Come, Thou Fount

arr. Courtney

*Doxology (#809)

Kevin Flannagan, Solo

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

Healer of Our Every Ill (Insert-sing as directed)

Haugen

Celina Wade, Soloist

The Lord's Prayer

Choral Amen

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 2:1-10

One: The Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Meg Flannagan

I love to tell the story for those who know it best

Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest,

And when in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song.

'Twill be the old, old story, that I have loved so long.

(R) *I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory*

to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

*Hymn (Insert)

We Are One in the Spirit

*Benediction

*Choral Response

Together Met, Together Bound

Wren

*Postlude

*Congregation please stand.

*** K through 5th grade depart for Young Disciples' Worship following the Commissioning of Our Music Ministry.



Church-Wide Apple Butter Making

Preston & Yvonne Brown’s Farm (20005 Cleveland Road).
Peeling the apples on Friday evening, September 28 at 5:00pm.
Then on Saturday, September 29th at 8:00am
come and help stir the apple butter!
Bring something to share for a pot luck lunch at Noon.
Please consider donating new jars and sugar. Bring them to the
church or take them to the Browns on Friday evening.
Come for some of all of the day!
Pint jars of apple butter will be available for everyone on
Sunday, September 30 after worship.



- ◆ Last Sunday there were 127 in worship. The offering total was \$3,165.75, all to the General Fund.
- ◆ Next week’s readings are: Proverbs 1:20-33; Psalm 19; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38.

Jon Elliott Martin, Pastor
Barbara King, Secretary/Office Manager
Kevin Flannagan, Choir Director
Patti Quarles, Accompanist

- ◆ *Welcome to all! We are delighted that God led you to worship with us this morning. If you are a visitor and interested in learning more about our church fellowship, please call the pastor at church, 628-7739 or his cell phone, 206-6370. Also, please take a moment to fill out the ‘Visitors Card’ and place it in the offering plate, giving us the opportunity to welcome you and to know more about you. Note that a ‘pew reservation sign’ has been placed at the end of the last center pew to reserve this seating for those with special needs. Please turn off cellular phones upon entering the Sanctuary, frequencies interfere with microphones.*



- ◆ *The “Buchanan Clan” placed the flowers in the sanctuary this morning in loving memory of Marc Sherrod.*

- ◆ *This morning, we welcome several guests to our worship service. The Rev. Meg Flannagan, our guest preacher, is Kevin’s cousin and is currently serving as the Hymnal Advocacy and Relations Coordinator for the Presbyterian Publishing Corporation. We are also pleased to have two guest musicians today: Diane Thomas, who is serving as our guest pianist in Patti’s absence and Shelby Carrico, a trumpet student from Emory & Henry College. Thank you all for enriching our worship!*
- ◆ *Our final hymn “We Are One in the Spirit” is part of a program called “Many Voices, One Song”. This program encourages all Presbyterian Churches to sing the same hymn on the same day during worship. As you sing this hymn, remember those brothers and sisters in Christ that are joining you in singing this hymn today.*

- ◆ **Note:** Please use the **colored cards** in the pew racks for **prayer requests**. Place them in the offering plate, during the offering.



◆The following people are in our prayers:
Lois Gillespie, Janet Martin, Kaitlin Clay, Meredith Haga, Bruce Blessing, Leroy Jones, Carrie Kimery, Sarita Mullins, Jody Williams, Bob Campton, Carrie Blevins, Ann Lowry, Judy Puckett, Karen Combs, Sally Brown, Donna Abel, Carter & Emerson Hale, Kitty Pelfrey, Helen Garland, Elizabeth Ponder, Barbara Adams, Doris Poe, David King, Bob Lowe, Lynn McConnell, Nancy Thompson, Barbara Knight, Jim Groseclose, Sara Lawson, Carolyn Deaton, Virginia Thompson, Tom & Connie Counts, Edna McConnell, Bill & Marge Margerum, Sandra Wimmer, Janet McCauley, Rhonda Moore, Eva Bailey, Bo Miller, Nancy Greary, Rickey White, Terry White, and Helen Carter.

◆A total of **1068** jars of peanut butter has been collected towards our “1000 jars” goal for 2012. Remember to bring your peanut butter for September.

◆The Family of Barbara Quesenberry would like to wish her a “*Happy 60th Birthday*”, tomorrow, September 10. Happy Birthday Barbara!!

◆In order that we may know who is attending worship, especially the visitors, would **everyone** please fill out the pad in the pew and pass it to the next person beside you. Thank you.

◆**Habitat for Humanity**-- A covenant signing service will be today at 3:00pm at Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church for all four churches, Habitat for Humanity, and Leslie Charlton, the homeowner. Everyone is invited to help celebrate this event. Home construction begins on Monday, October 8!



◆The **Session** will meet on Tuesday, September 11th at 7:00pm in the fellowship hall.



◆ Green Spring Church will be entering a float in the *Washington County Fair Parade* on September 15. The children who attended VBS and anyone else from church that wants to, will be riding on the float. Please meet at the float on east Main Street just east of Frost Funeral Home, but on the north side of the street. The parade begins at 10:00am so be there by 9:30am. Wear a red or white shirt so you will blend in with the colors of the float. Call the church office if you have any questions.



◆ **Potluck Lunch & Celebration:** Sunday Fellowships begin for fall on September 16th with a “potluck lunch” after church. We are going to celebrate the adoption of Emma Faith Hensley with Barbara & George King and Tia & Bobby Hensley. The Care Ministry is sponsoring this long awaited celebration. Emma turned one on June 2nd and the adoption was final on June 29th. If you would like to contribute to a gift certificate for Emma, please see Mary Jane Crosby, Jeanie Evans or Melissa Eller.

◆The **Deacons** will meet on Thursday, September 27th at 7:00pm in the fellowship hall.



◆*The Virginians* will be singing here at Green Spring Church on Sunday, September 30 at 6:00pm. Invite your friends to come and listen to this quartet. A free will offering will be taken.



◆**“Joining Hands, Building Hope” Golf Tournament for Habitat** will be on Saturday, October 6, 2012 at 1:00pm at the Tri Cities Golf Club. The entry fee is \$60 per golfer. All tournament proceeds will be donated to the Habitat home build.

The deadline for entry is September 23, 2012. Entry forms are available on the table in the vestibule.

Commissioning the Music Ministry of Green Spring Presbyterian Church

Music is an integral part of the work of the people of God. God's people have always sung. When the Israelite crossed the Red Sea, Moses and Miriam sang. When Samuel was born, Hannah sang. When the exiles were in Babylon, they wondered whether their song was gone—it wasn't. They still sang. The book of Psalms is an ancient song book. When Gabriel brought good news of great joy to Mary, she sang.

The early church sang hymns, psalms, and spiritual songs, and we have been singing ever since. Today we are commission the music of the church: all that will be sung in the year ahead by all choirs, groups, and the congregation.

To the choir: Do you promise to use your gift of song, of harmony, of weaving together instruments and voices as an offering to God of praise and thanksgiving? **We do, by the grace of God.**

To the Green Spring Men, Green Spring Harmony, and Children's choir: Do you promise to use your musical gifts to share the message of the gospel, to combine voice, instruments, and much joy? **We do, by the grace of God.**

To the congregation: Do you promise to bring your voice to the hymns we sing in the year ahead? Will you sing with honesty in all the seasons of the church year? Will you bring a robust voice to traditional hymns and a commitment to sing a new song to the Lord? **We will by the grace of God.**

Almighty God, You have called us to worship. You have inspired music in the community: words to be written, music to be composed, and people to sing. Stir us to use our talents and voices for your glory. Strengthen our faith through song. Receive, O God, the music and those who make it as a response to your work in Jesus Christ. We pray that the songs we sing carry your message and deepen our faith in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.