

# Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## September 3, 2023 – 10:55 A.M.

\*Please stand as you are able

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Will Waller

### \*OPENING PRAYER

**All: Wellspring of eternal life, we come to you this day having drunk deeply the waters of anxiety and despair. Bring to us your living water. Quench our thirsting souls, for we offer this prayer in Your Name. AMEN.**

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: God of living waters, we confess that we have often turned from you and wandered in our own wilderness of fear and doubt. Our thirst mounts daily, seeking to be quenched by your redeeming love. Yet, when that love is offered to us, we again turn away, unable to truly believe that you would actually heal and love us. We have behaved in very unloving ways. We have chosen to ignore those in need or to deal only passively with them. Our hearts are not placed in serve to others, but rather in self-serving motives. Heal us, merciful God. Wash us again in the living water. Help us to be faithful servants. Amen.**

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Pastor Will: The waters of mercy and healing are poured over you. God is loving and faithful to those who come to God. Come, seek the loving presence and be healed.

**All: AMEN!**

### \*HYMNS OF PRAISE

*There is Power in the Blood*

Would you be free from the burden of sin?  
There's power in the blood, power in the blood.  
Would you o'er evil a victory win?  
There's wonderful power in the blood.

There is power, power, wonder working power in the blood of the Lamb.  
There is power, power, wonder working power in the precious blood of the Lamb.

Would you be free from your passion and pride?  
There's power in the blood, power in the blood.  
Come for a cleansing to Calvary's tide?  
There's wonderful power in the blood.

There is power, power, wonder working power in the blood of the Lamb.  
There is power, power, wonder working power in the precious blood of the Lamb.

Would you do service for Jesus your King?  
There's power in the blood, power in the blood.  
Would you live daily God's praises to sing?  
There's wonderful power in the blood.

There is power, power, wonder working power in the blood of the Lamb.  
There is power, power, wonder working power in the precious blood of the Lamb.

*At the Cross*

Alas, and did my Savior bleed and did my Sovereign die?  
Would He devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?  
At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light, and the burden of my heart rolled away.  
It was there by faith I received my sight, and now I am happy all the day!

Was it for crimes that I have done He groaned upon the tree?  
Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree!  
At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light, and the burden of my heart rolled away.  
It was there by faith I received my sight, and now I am happy all the day!

Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut His glories in,  
When Christ the mighty Maker died for man the creature's sin.  
At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light, and the burden of my heart rolled away.  
It was there by faith I received my sight, and now I am happy all the day!

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY Baptism** Solomon Tosh, son of Kevin and Avery Tosh

**WELCOME AND MUSICAL RESPONSE** *GOD CLAIMS YOU*

Refrain: Solomon, Soloman, God claims you; God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.

1. We this day do all agree, a child of God you'll always be. (Refrain)
2. We your family love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow. (Refrain)
3. We are here to say this day, that we will help you on your way. (Refrain)

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Rev. Waller

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

John 4:1-15

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

If You Only Knew

Rev. Waller

**OFFERTORY**

*Old-Time Religion*

(Chorus) Give me that old-time religion, give me that old-time religion, Give me that old-time religion,  
it's good enough for me.

It was good for Paul and Silas, it was good for Paul and Silas, it was good for Paul and Silas,  
it's good enough for me. (Chorus)

Makes me love everybody, makes me love everybody, Makes me love everybody,  
it's good enough for me. (Chorus)

It is good when I'm in trouble, it is good when I'm in trouble, It is good when I'm in trouble,  
it's good enough for me. (Chorus)

It will take us all to heaven, it will take us all to heaven, It will take us all to heaven,  
it's good enough for me.

**\*THE DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,  
Whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### CALL TO PRAYER

#### *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer! That calls me from a world of care, and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known. In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

### SILENT PRAYER

### MORNING PRAYER

### 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### \*CLOSING HYMNS

#### *Love Lifted Me*

I was sinking deep in sin, far from the peaceful shore, very deeply stained within, sinking to rise no more;  
But the Master of the sea heard my despairing cry, from the waters lifted me, now safe am I.  
Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.  
Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

All my heart to Him I give, ever to Him I'll cling, In His blessed presence live, ever His praises sing.  
Love so mighty and so true merits my soul's best songs; Faithful, loving service, too, to Him belongs.  
Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.  
Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

Souls in danger, look above, Jesus completely saves; He will lift you by His love out of the angry waves.  
He's the Master of the sea, billows His will obey; He your Savior wants to be, be saved today.  
Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.  
Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

#### *When the Roll is Called Up Yonder*

When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound, and time shall be no more, and the morning breaks, eternal,  
bright and fair; When the saved of earth shall gather over on the other shore,  
and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

When the roll is called up yonder, when the roll is called up yonder,  
when the roll is called up yonder; when the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

On that bright and cloudless morning when the dead in Christ shall rise,  
and the glory of His resurrection share; When His chosen ones shall gather to their home beyond the skies,  
and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

When the roll is called up yonder, when the roll is called up yonder,  
when the roll is called up yonder; when the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

Let us labor for the Master from the dawn till setting sun, Let us talk of all His wondrous love and care;  
Then when all of life is over, and our work on earth is done, and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

When the roll is called up yonder, when the roll is called up yonder,  
when the roll is called up yonder; when the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

### \*BENEDICTION

**Prayer Concerns: Prayer Concerns:**

Our country, our church and those serving in our armed forces; People of Ukraine; Willie Denny; Arnold Dillon, Sr.; Rodney Cundiff; Bob Huffman; Debbie Caulder; Jack Dillon; Jason Lavinder; Hazel Henderson; Lillie Hatchett; Jerry Davis; Barbara Huffman; Lynn Cooper; Betty Dillon; CO Brickey; Jennifer Cooper; John Cooper; Karen Hobgood (Tammy Burdick); Sophia Moore (CO Brickey); Dr. Matthew and Amanda Billups (Jack Watts); Don Angle (Steve Angle); Debbie Ford (Ben Whitesell); and Dennis Holland (Cyndee Holland); Tina Funk (Lindsey McDaniel); Carol Vaughn (Lisa Angle); Linda Wimmer (Crystal Minnix); Hannah Bittner (Cassandra Bittner); Jane Waller

**Forget-Me-Nots: Kathleen Higgins, Peggy Santrock, Peggy McAndrew**

**Meetings and Announcements:**

- Monday, September 4      Labor Day, Church Office closed
- Wednesday, September 6 7:00 p.m., Chancel Choir-Welcome Back/New Members Night
- Thursday, September 7    6:30 p.m., Cub Scouts
- Next Sunday, September 10 10:00 a.m., Small Groups  
10:55 a.m., Worship
- Tuesday, September 11    7:00p.m., Jubilant Ringers
- Wednesday, September 13 5:00-6:30 p.m., Wonderful Wednesday  
7:00 p.m., Chancel Choir
- Thursday, September 14-17 Bald Knob Art Show in the fellowship hall  
6:30 Cub Scouts
- Monday, September 18    12:00p.m. Deadline for the October Newsletter  
7:00p.m Boy Scouts
- Tuesday, September 19    9:30a.m. Ladies Bible Study  
7:00p.m Jubilant Ringers
- Wednesday, September 20 5:00-6:30 Wonderful Wednesday  
7:00 Chancel Choir

**Will Waller, Pastor**  
**Lynn M. Meeks, Director of Music/Diaconal Minister**  
**Jeanne Banks, Pianist**  
**Teresa Strobel, Office Manager**  
**Valerie Latimer, Finance Manager**  
**Jennifer Ardis, Nursery Attendant**  
**Rebecca Dillon, Children's Church Coordinator**  
**Brad Hodges, Custodian**