

**Our Service Through Worship
August 1, 2021**

Pastor, Dr. J. Michael Wilkins
Worship Leader, Mrs. Lucy Wilkins
Organist, Mrs. Alysyan Raymond

At the prelude, let us prepare our hearts and minds to worship the Lord.

Prelude *Communion Meditation*

Welcome

Life of the Church

Responsive Reading

Pastor: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

People: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Pastor: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

People: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Hymn of Praise # 3 *Worthy of Worship*

Morning Prayer

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, the power and the glory, forever and ever – Amen.

Solo *Precious Jesus* by Jay Althouse

Lucy Wilkins

Scripture Luke 9:57 – 62

Sermon Two of the Most Dangerous Words You Can Say

Hymn of Commitment #445 *Yes, Lord Yes*

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Special Music *Let Us Break Bread Together On Our Knees* Quartet

Hymn of Fellowship #389 *Bless Be the Tie That Binds* (1st verse)

Postlude *Jesus is Lord of All*

As a courtesy to other worshippers please remember to silence your cell phones.

If you would like to make a gift in support of the ministries of this church, please place it in one of the offering plates located around the sanctuary.

Benevolence Offering

The ushers will be stationed at the exits this morning to take up the offering for those in need in our community.

Vacation Bible School

Join us for Vacation Bible School **Sunday, August 1 - Thursday, August 5 from 5:30 - 8:00 pm!** Children will learn that Jesus is the one who lights their way and gives them hope for each new day. His love illuminates when the path is dark. Cave Quest VBS encourages kids to follow Jesus where ever he leads them! **Contact Thomas Smals (540-525-7399) for more info!**

Bible Readings

The Bible Readings for the week of **August 2 - 6:** Monday: Acts 19:1-7, Tuesday: Acts 19:8-12, Wednesday: Acts 19:13-22, Thursday: Acts 19:23-31, Friday: Acts 19:32-41.

August Children's Event

To continue our cave exploration from Vacation Bible School all children are invited to the **Natural Bridge Caverns on Saturday, August 7 at 11:00 am.** Children who attend VBS will be given a crystal ticket to this event! **Please RSVP with Katlyn Smals by Thursday, August 5!**

Church Picnic

Join us on **Sunday, August 8 from 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm** for our annual church picnic. This year we will gather at the **Rockbridge County High School shelter** (located near the football stadium/bus parking lot). The church will supply the meat and drinks, but **everyone is asked to bring a side dish and dessert to share. Please contact the church office by noon on Wednesday, August 4 if you plan to attend.**

Mission Opportunities

Our August project will be continuing to donate school supplies. **Please bring in your donations by next Sunday, August 8th,** so they can be divided and delivered that week before the students arrive back at school.

In September we will be covering boxes for the Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Ministry. **If you have empty shoe boxes please bring them to church** so we can cover them.

Blessing of Backpacks

Sunday, August 15, join us as we celebrate the beginning of a new school year! Students of all ages and education staff are invited to bring their backpacks, briefcases or tote bags to the **11:00 am worship service** for a special prayer of blessing, guidance, wisdom & protection.

Deacon's Meeting

The Deacons will meet **Sunday, August 15.**

VMI Matriculation

Saturday, August 21, from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm we will once again have a table at the VMI matriculation to welcome parents and invite new students to attend our church. **If you would like to help, please contact the church office at 463-4181 or office@manlybaptist.com.**

Music Ministry

If you are a former (pre-Covid) member of the **Adult Choir** or would like to join, **we will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, August 11 at 6:15 pm** in the choir room. Rehearsals will run approximately 1 hour. Requirements for membership in the choir are: a love for God, a love of music, willingness to take direction and being fully vaccinated. If you enjoy using your love of music to lead others in worship, now is the time to come and be a part of the choir.

The **Children's Choir** will meet the first 15 minutes of Children's Worship on Sunday mornings. Please encourage your children to participate! Children's Worship Choir will begin **Sunday, September 5 at 11:00 am.**

The **Praise Band** will continue to meet this Fall. If you have talents as an instrumentalist or singer, please contact John Wranek (jwranek@marshallfoundation.org) if you would like to join the group.

The **Meador-Steele Handbell Choir** will not be active this year. Once a new music director is chosen, we hope to resume this ministry.

Student Adoption

Each year college students from VMI attend our church and seek people who will provide a home away from home for them. You and your students decide together the level of support you wish to offer. It may be as little as a meal in your home or restaurant every once in a while, to as much as making them a part of your family visiting your home each Sunday. **Please contact the church office (463-4181) if you would be willing to help with this wonderful ministry!**

Volunteer Drivers Needed

We need volunteers to pick up RATs on **Sunday mornings at 9:30 am** in front of JM Hall. If we have enough volunteers, you would only be asked to pick up once every 4-6 weeks. **Please contact the church office to help with this ministry!**

2022 Budget Requests

Remember that requests for the 2022 church budget need to be submitted in writing and with an explanation of how the money would be used, **by Sunday, September 5.** Requests may be submitted to the church office or the Stewardship Committee Chair, John Wranek.

Rockbridge Area Relief Association

Item of the month for August is **school supplies.** Please leave your donations in the box outside of the choir room. Thank you!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Requests stay on the list a month, unless the church office is asked to keep them on longer.

August 1: Freddie and Sue Seaman, Diane Pirinian, Christopher Moore, Eric Catlett, Cash Gorlowski Family

July 25: Monica Staton Family, Priscilla Jamison's grandson Joe Jamison (is participating in a 6 week pilgrimage to Santiago), Derek Garrett

July 18: Joe Wilkins (Pastor Mike's brother), Eddie Lilly, Susan Hall, Joann Harper (Carole Judy's sister), David & Diane Smith (friends of the Galloways) Jeff Diplock (friend of the Heckman's), Henry Schreiber, Betty Swisher, Brandy Hostetter, Sandy & Mitch Mitchell, Betty Hostetter

July 11: Sharon Wohlford (Jerri Keen's sister), Judy Davis, Carol Bozeman, Teresa Ewing (Curtis Caylor's sister), Kristen Coleman, Ellis Hundley (Jerri Keen's Brother), Julia Wallace (Daughter of Skip Wallace, the Virginia Baptist Field Strategist), Peter Shaner (Grandson of Pete and Betty Shaner, Laurie Kosonovich (Jill and Wayne Straub's daughter)

Remember Our Shut-Ins...

At Home: Bonnie Slater

Baldwin Park: Harry Carter

English Meadows: Dr. Charles E. O'Roark

Heritage Hall: Maxine Smiley

Kendal: Doris Womeldorf

The Palmettos: Joan Huff

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