

Greeters Today: Jasper & Rita Reynolds  
 Greeter Next Week: John Blake  
**Note:** Greeters, if you will not be available a particular Sunday, please contact Barbara at the church office.  
 Nursery Today: Linda Hall and Angie Cooper  
 Nursery Next Week: Phyllis Briscoe and Lea Combs  
**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: Sandi Puckett (429-5218)  
 Deacon of the Week Next Week: Larry Mullins (619-4527)

*Welcome*



This Week's Events			
Sun.	July 29	9:45am 11:00am 6:30pm	Sunday School Worship Service Watauga Chapel Gospel Singing
Wed.	Aug. 1	10:00am 6:00pm	Brunch at Perkins Restaurant Choir Picnic at the home of Sandi Puckett
Coming Soon			
Sun.	Aug. 5	9:45am 11:00am 6:30pm	Sunday School Worship Service-Communion Watauga Chapel Gospel Singing
Wed.	Aug. 8	7:00pm	Choir Practice

*Green Spring Presbyterian Church*

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July 29, 2012

Reverend Jon Elliott Martin, Pastor

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  
 Nursery Provided  
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# Order of Worship

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 29, 2012

Prelude *How Majestic Is Your Name* Smith

Welcome and Announcements

Passing the Peace

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Choral Introit *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* Watts

\*Call to Worship

One: Lord, to whom can we go?

**All: You have the words of eternal life.**

One: When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit,

**All: That we are children of God, so let us worship God!**

\*Hymn #16 *Give to Our God Immortal Praise*

\*Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your Word and a hunger for your truth. Our culture, on the other hand, encourages us to consume and consume. Does that mean we don't long or hunger for much of anything? What about your Word and your truth? Forgive us, we pray. It's easy to be consumers and harder to be disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith (*Nicene Creed, 1.1-3*)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius**

**Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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

Time with Young Disciples\*\*\*

Scripture Reading Psalm 145

\*Hymn #540 *Take Time to Be Holy*

The Offering  
Offertory *Tell Me the Story of Jesus* Sweney

\*Doxology (#809)

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Anthem *In Christ Alone* Getty  
Kevin Flannagan, Solo

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer  
Choral Amen

Scripture Reading Luke 15:1-3 & 11-20

One: The Word of the Lord!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon *My Father's House* Curtis Murray

\*Hymn #651 *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response *Christ Beside Me* Gaelic

\*Postlude

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\*Congregation please stand.

\*\*\* K through 5th grade depart for Young Disciples' Worship following the Time with Young Disciples.

Sunday School Offerings at Green Spring Church August 2012	
Pre-School	<i>We Learn to Obey God's Word</i> Teacher: Jeanie Evans
Primary	<i>We Serve Only God</i> Teacher: Patty Clark
Middle School	<i>All About the Bible</i> Teachers: Jane Prater and Erin Evans
Warner Room	<i>A Study of Heaven</i> Teacher: Tim Briscoe
Adult Bible Study	<i>Justice Promised</i> Teachers: Tom Deaton and Jasper Reynolds
Sunday Mornings, 9:45am–10:30am Join Us!	

† **OUR CHURCH AT WORK** †  
July 29, 2012

◆ *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 flowers were placed in the sanctuary this morning by Joe & Bonnie Keller in memory of their fathers, Henry Keller and Francis Marshall.*

◆ *Today we welcome Reverend Curtis Murray as our guest preacher.*

◆ This Sunday let us pray for the following:  
Lois Gillespie, Janet Martin, Joe Keller, Ginger Harris, Judy Puckett, Karen Combs, Sally Brown, Ann Lowry, Donna Abel, Carter & Emerson Hale, Kitty Pelfrey, Leroy Jones, 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.



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



◆ Dates available for flowers to be placed in the sanctuary are: **September 23 & 30; October 7, 14, 21 & 28; November 18 & 25; and December 30.**

◆ The *Abingdon Health and Rehab Center* is opening soon. They will be having an open house on Thursday, August 2, 2012 from 4:00-7:00pm. The center is located on Highway 11 just above the new JMH. It will be a continuing care center but for now it will just be starting as a nursing home.

◆ Last Sunday there were 89 in worship. The offering total was \$3,630.00, broken down as follows: General Fund \$3,311.00, Memorial Fund \$100.00, Two cents per meal \$189.00, VBS \$30.00.

◆ Next week's readings are: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Psalm 51:1-12. Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35.

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



◆The “Watauga Chapel Sunday Evening Gospel Singing Services” are from 6:30pm-7:30pm this evening with *Eddie Shelton & Christi* singing.

Refreshments will be served afterwards by Linda Hall, Angie Cooper, Barbara Quesenberry and Mavis Brown. Next Sunday, August 5th *Duty Free* will be singing. The hosts will be Mary Lynn Ekstrom, Barbara King, Judy Mullins and Carolyn McConnell.

◆**Please Note:** There will be a meeting of the congregation on August 5, 2012 at the conclusion of worship to hear the report from the nominating committee.



◆Gifts were received for the *Cemetery Fund* in memory of *Wayne Abel* and *Eleanor Preston* from Ann Abel. A gift was received in memory of *John Briscoe, Sr.* from Maria Briscoe.

◆**Next Sunday, August 5th** the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper will be observed during the morning worship service by distribution.



◆**Homecoming** will be on Sunday, August 12, 2012 at 11:00am with guest minister, Rev. Dr. Miller Liston. A covered dish lunch will follow the service. Everyone is welcome!

◆The **Session** will meet on Tuesday, August 14th at 7:00pm in the fellowship hall.



◆A total of **863** jars of peanut butter has been collected towards our “1,000 jars” goal for 2012.

◆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.

◆The Green Spring Church family had a great picnic last Saturday evening at Washington County Park with 53 people in attendance. Thanks to Grace Garrett and her helpers for getting it all together. Everyone enjoyed some good food and fine fellowship.

◆ **Nursery Helpers for August:**

August 5-Phyllis Briscoe and Lea Combs  
August 12-Retha Robinette and Sandra Wimmer  
August 19-Sally Brown and Lisa Bailey  
August 26-Judy Briscoe and Carol White



◆**Rest Home Birthday Reminder for August:**

*Linda Wilson* will celebrate her birthday on August 7.  
*Jackie Boyd* will celebrate his birthday on August 16.  
*Donald Reynolds* will celebrate his birthday on August 26. His sponsor is Ann Lowry.

**NOTE:** The Green Spring Rest Home has **several new residents** that need to be adopted. It would mean you would take that person for at least a year and hopefully longer. You would purchase them a birthday present, Christmas presents, and send cards on special occasions. You can visit them and develop a friendship with them if you like. If you would like to be involved in this ministry in this way, please see Mary Jane for more information and a resident name. You will be blessed.

◆We would like to thank the GSPC family for allowing us to use the Church and its facilities for this special time. We would also like to thank those who participated in our “money tree shower” and if we accidentally missed sending you a thank you note, we do want you to know that it was greatly appreciated. Thank you GSPC family for your love, support, and prayers throughout the years. Thank you to all who helped in making our day perfect. We have been truly blessed.

Blessings in Christ,  
Jacob & Ashley Singleton