

Greeter Today: Phyllis Sams
 Greeter Next Week: Barbara Quesenberry
Note: Greeters, if you will not be available a particular Sunday, please contact Barbara at the church office.
 Nursery Today: Sally Brown and Lisa Bailey
 Nursery Next Week: Judy Briscoe and Carol White
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: Norma Smith (628-7606)
 Deacon of the Week Next Week: Larry Mullins (619-4527)

This Week's Events

Sun.	Aug. 19	9:45am 11:00am 6:30pm	Sunday School Worship Service Watauga Chapel Gospel Singing
Wed.	Aug. 22	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Thurs.	Aug. 23	7:00pm	Deacons Meeting
Coming Soon			
Sun.	Aug. 26	9:45am 11:00am 6:30pm	Sunday School Worship Service-Two Cents Meal Watauga Chapel Gospel Singing
Wed.	Aug. 29	7:00pm	Choir Practice

Welcome



Green Spring Presbyterian Church

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

August 19, 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
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Order of Worship

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 19, 2012

Prelude *How Great is Our God* Tomlin

Welcome and Announcements

Passing the Peace

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Choral Introit *Spirit of the Living God* Iverson

*Call to Worship

One: Jesus is the Christ,

All: The Son of the Living God.

One: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,

All: In the company of the upright, in the congregation, let us worship God!

*Hymn #99 *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent your Holy Spirit into our hearts. Your gracious gift to us is a new life free from the old ways. Why do we at times keep this new life at arm's length? Why do we so often continue in the old ways? Forgive us, we pray, and stir your mighty Spirit in us to abundant life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith (*Westminster Confession of Faith, 6.045-6.047*)

The Lord Jesus in his human nature thus united to the divine, was sanctified and anointed with the Holy Spirit above measure, having in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, in whom it pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell: to the end that being holy, harmless, undefiled, and full of grace and truth, he might be thoroughly furnished to execute the office of Mediator and Guarantor. Which office he too not unto himself, but was thereunto called by his

Father, who put all power and judgment into his hand, and gave him commandment to execute the same.

The Lord Jesus, by his perfect obedience and sacrifice of himself, which he through the eternal Spirit once offered up unto God, hath full satisfied the justice of his Father, and purchased not only reconciliation, but an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven, for all those whom the Father hath given unto him.

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

Time with Young Disciples***

Scripture Reading *Psalm 111*

*Hymn # 447 *Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God*

The Offering

Offertory *Surrender* Redman

*Doxology (#809)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Choral Amen

Anthem *You are the Seed* Chavez

Scripture Reading *Mark 4:26-34*

One: The Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon *The Right Metric* Jon Martin

*Hymn (on insert) *To What Can the Kingdom of God Be Compared?*

*Benediction

*Choral Response *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* Welsh

*Postlude

*Congregation please stand.

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

To What Can the Kingdom of God be Compared?

(Sing to the tune of “To God Be the Glory”)

To what can the kingdom of God be compared?
A mustard seed falls where a field’s been prepared,
And there, where predictable plantings should be,
There grows up a wild bush — as big as a tree!
God of love, here on earth, hidden things still surprise:
Loving deeds... signs of birth... faithful, Spirit-filled lives.
Your reign is amazing, your ways still astound,
Just like that new life springing forth from the ground.

A small bit of leaven will change the whole bread:
A poor woman sees that her neighbors are fed,
A church reaches out to the youth in the town,
A man shares his faith and God’s blessings abound.
God of love, here on earth, hidden things still surprise:
Loving deeds... signs of birth... faithful, Spirit-filled lives.
Your reign is among us, creation is blessed,
When even a few faithful lives change the rest.

While some look for treasure or one priceless pearl,
God’s reign is the gift wise ones seek in this world.
A girl sells possessions to help those in need;
A boy chooses faithfulness rather than greed.
God of love, here on earth, hidden things still surprise:
Loving deeds... signs of birth... faithful, Spirit-filled lives.
Your reign is a treasure that wise ones pursue;
May we seek your kingdom in all that we do.

† OUR CHURCH AT WORK †

August 19, 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.*



◆ *Eric, Melissa, Audriana and Jarred placed the flowers in the sanctuary this morning in honor of Sandra Wimmer’s 71st birthday which is August 25th.*

◆ This Sunday let us pray for the following:
Jody Williams, Lois Gillespie, Janet Martin,
Ann Lowry, Judy Puckett, Karen Combs, Sally
Brown, 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.



◆ The “Watauga Chapel Sunday Evening Gospel Singing Services” are from 6:30pm-7:30pm this evening with the **Combs Family** singing.

Refreshments will be served afterwards by the **Combs Family**.
Next Sunday, August 26th is the final service for the season. The **Green Spring Men** will be singing. The hosts will be *Patty Clark, Mary Jane Crosby, Carolyn Deaton and Bonnie Keller.*

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



◆ A gift was received from **Blair & Gilda Keller** in memory of **Phyllis Abel, John Briscoe, Sr., Richard Briscoe** and **Marc Sherrod**. A gift was received from **Martha B. Thompson** in memory of **Loretta McCauley, Phyllis Abel, Charles Hutton** and **Alberta Graham**. A gift was received in memory of **Charles J. Lowry, Sr.** from **Daphne E. Lowry**.

◆ 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 **Deacons** will meet on Thursday, August 23rd at 7:00pm in the fellowship hall.



◆ A total of **936** jars of peanut butter has been collected towards our "1,000 jars" goal for 2012. Remember to bring your peanut butter for August.



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

◆ The "Two Cents Per Meal" offering will be received **next** Sunday, August 26th. These monies are used in the Presbytery and around the world to help fight hunger.



◆ We had a wonderful Homecoming last Sunday. Thanks to everyone who helped to make it happen!

◆ Green Spring Church is partnering with Central Presbyterian Church in Bristol, Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church, and Woodland Hills Christian Church to build a Habitat for Humanity House in Abingdon. Would you like to be part of this important mission work? There are many ways to be involved beyond a hammer and nail. Call Pastor Jon to find out how you can help provide a new home for a family.

◆ Last Sunday there were 158 in worship. The offering total was \$3,465.64, broken down as follows: General Fund \$3,265.64, Cemetery Fund \$200.00.

◆ Next week's readings are: 1 Kings 8: (1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69.

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

