

Meditation

"Gift of Love"
H. Hopson

*Profession of Faith: #14

Apostles' Creed

*Hymn (See Insert)

"The Welcome Table"

*Charge

*Sung Response #416-(Refrain)

"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

Glory! glory, hallelujah!
Glory! glory, hallelujah!
Glory! glory, hallelujah!
Our God is marching on.

*Benediction

Postlude

"The Welcome Table" verse 4
Trad. Spiritual

Prayer Concerns



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Mission Statement:

Striving to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, growing in God through uplifting and inspiring spiritual experiences, and serving the community in love.

Service for the Lord's Day

July 6, 2025 — 10:30 am In Person & (Live Streaming—10:20 am)

4th Sunday after Pentecost

2 ¢ A Meal Sunday

Gathering Music

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: *"God of Our Fathers"*
Roberts/Warren

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (Responsive) (Isaiah 55:6,7 KJV)

One: "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found,"

Many: "Call ye upon him while he is near:"

One: "let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts;"

Many: "and let them return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon them; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn #442 *"O Come to Me, the Master Said"*



Call to Confession: (Responsive) (ref. Hebrews 4:14-16)

One: Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin.

Many: Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

All: Let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor.

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

Merciful God,
You pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God.

* Please stand if you are able

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Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Silent Confession: Amen

Kyrie: Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us. #823

Assurance of Pardon: (responsive)

One: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

Many: We declare to all who repent in the name of Christ, "You are forgiven!"

All: May the God of Mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

*Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. #805

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



Offering:

2¢ a Meal Collection *"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"*
("Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.")

Regular Offering
Offertory *"The Lord's Prayer"*
Malotte/Hustad

*Doxology:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. #808

*Prayer of Dedication



Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: (pew bible pages 323) 2 Kings 5: 1-14

Hymn #436 *"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love"*

New Testament Readings: (pew bible pages 901,902) Luke 10:1-11,16-20

Sermon: "Jesus Loves All The World—No Exceptions!"
(Is Our Love So Bold?)

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THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Let us continue to celebrate our birthdays:** July 7—Connie Miles, July 9—Tim Heinlein, July 11—Julia Ward (Bailey), July 15—Nancy Pauley, July 23 — Cathy Goad, July 28— Vickie Littleton.
- ◆ **Back Street Ringers Practice**— No practice today! **Joyful Singers** practice will be on Wed., July 9 at 3:30 pm. All are welcome! If interested, see Lori.
- ◆ Today is our 2 ¢ A Meal Special Offering. Have your change and small bills ready!!
- ◆ **Botetourt Food Pantry** volunteer opportunities are available on July 18 and 25. Check the sign-up sheet by the side entrance. Ask Teri Walker if you have any questions.
- ◆ **Faith and Family Night with the Salem Red Socks** is coming up on **July 18!** Tickets still available at \$13.00 per ticket. Check the sign-up sheet in the side lobby or ask Danette if you have any questions.
- ◆ Check the calendar downstairs for openings for Sunday after worship fellowship!
- ◆ QR Code for an E-Giving option:



Clerk of Session: John Kilby

Class of 2025: Fred Coats, Lynne Bolton, Jim Porter

Class of 2026: Lyn Burton, Hal Bailey, Patsy Dickerson

Class of 2027: Cathy Goad, Patty Vari, Teri Walker

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Interim Minister: The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson

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Secretary/Bookkeeper: Danette Heinlein

Calendar of Events

Planned office hours for week of July 7

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday: 10:00—4:00

- Sunday, July 6** **4th Sunday after Pentecost**
Worship Service: 10:30 am
2¢ A Meal Offering
Duty Elders: _____ and _____
Fellowship: Shuey
Town—fireworks
Wed., July 9 Joyful Singers Practice 3:30 pm, Sanctuary
Friday, July 11 Private Wedding Rehearsal, 4:30 pm
Sat., July 12 Private Wedding, reserved, all day
- Sunday, July 13** **5th Sunday after Pentecost**
Worship Service: 10:30 am
Duty Elders: Lyn Burton & Cathy Goad
Fellowship: _____
Guest Musician: David Austin
Thur., July 17 HFI, 6:00 Fellowship
Fri., July 18 Faith & Family Night at Salem Red Sox
- Sunday, July 20** **6th Sunday after Pentecost**
Worship Service: 10:30 am
Duty Elders: Lynne B & _____
Fellowship: _____
Back Street Ringers practice 12-1:00
Mon., July 21 HFI, 6:00 Fellowship
Wed., July 23 Joyful Singers Practice, 3:30 pm, Sanctuary
Wholeness and Healing Prayer 5:00, Sanctuary,
Light supper immediately following in Fellowship
Thursday, July 24 Session, Fellowship, 7:00



The Welcome Table

We're gonna sit at the welcome table
We're gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days
(Hallelujah!)

We're gonna sit at the Welcome table
We're gonna sit at the Welcome table one of these days
(one of these days)

We're gonna feast on milk and honey
We're gonna feast on milk and honey one of these days
(Hallelujah!)

We're gonna feast on milk and honey
We're gonna feast on milk and honey one of these days
(one of these days)

All God's children gonna sit together
All God's children gonna sit together one of these days
(Hallelujah!)

All God's children gonna sit together
All God's children gonna sit together one of these days
(one of these days)

All God's children gonna love each other
All God's children gonna love each other one of these days
(Hallelujah!)

All God's children gonna love each other
All God's children gonna love each other one of these days
(one of these days)

The Story Behind

The Welcome Table

The Welcome Table, also known as “**I'm Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table**” is a traditional American gospel and African American folk song by an anonymous author, who was likely enslaved.

In 1874 a version of the song was collected by Thomas P. Fenner and published by the Hampton Institute indicating that it was sung by a child in slavery who was being separated from his mother.

The song describes marriage feast of the Lamb referred to in the New Testament Book of Revelation. This event takes place when those who put their trust in the Jesus Christ are joined with him in heaven. African-Americans bound in slavery were never welcome to their master's table and this song echoed their hope of the tables turning in future glory.

In 1922 the Florida Normal Quartet first recorded the song as "The Welcome Table." In 1936 the Carter Family recorded a variation of the song as the "River of Jordan." In the 1950s and 1960s the song was modified (and known as the "Freedom Table") and served as an anthem of the Civil Rights Movement as one of the Freedom Songs.

Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

2 Kings 5: 1-14

Na'aman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the Lord had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. ² Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little maid from the land of Israel, and she waited on Na'aman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samar'ia! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁴ So Na'aman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the maiden from the land of Israel." ⁵ And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel."

So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten festal garments. ⁶ And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Na'aman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." ⁷ And when the king of Israel read the letter, he rent his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

⁸ But when Eli'sha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you rent your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Na'aman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the door of Eli'sha's house. ¹⁰ And Eli'sha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Na'aman was angry, and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the Lord his God, and wave his hand over the place, and cure the leper. ¹² Are not Aba'na and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants came

near and said to him, "My father, if the prophet had commanded you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much rather, then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴ So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

New Testament Reading

Luke 10:1-11,16-20

After this the Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to come. ² And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and salute no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' ⁶ And if a son of peace is there, your peace shall rest upon him; but if not, it shall return to you. ⁷ And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages; do not go from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, ¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off against you; nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.'

¹⁶ "He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me, and he who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

¹⁷ The seventy¹ returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" ¹⁸ And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

#442 'O Come to Me, the Master Said

1 O come to me, the Master said,
my Father knows your need;
and I shall be, the Master said,
your bread of life indeed.
By faith in him we live and grow
and share the broken bread,
and all his love and goodness know,
for so the Master said.

2 Abide in me, the Master said,
the true and living vine;
my life shall be, the Master said,
poured out for you as wine.
His body to the cross he gave,
his blood he freely shed,
who came in love to seek and save,
for so the Master said.

3 Believe in me, the Master said,
for I have called you friends,
and yours shall be, the Master said,
the life that never ends.
And so, with sin and sorrow past,
when death itself is dead,
the Lord shall raise us up at last,
for so the Master said.

#436 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love”

1 I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus—
no turning back, no turning back.

2 The world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me—
no turning back, no turning back.

3 Though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow—
no turning back, no turning back.

4 Will you decide now to follow Jesus?
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?—
no turning back, no turning back.