

Kingston Springs United Methodist Church

October 10, 2021

Greeting and Announcements Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Prelude David Wood

Introit Hallelu, Hallelujah! Choir

Call to Worship Bob Sanders

What can we do to have life?

We can seek God, who gives us life in every moment.

What can we do to serve justice in our world?

We can set aside that which keeps us from following Jesus.

What can we do to share the good news with others?

**We can open ourselves to the Spirit,
so people can see God at work in us.**

Hymn My Faith Looks Up to Thee UMH 452

My faith looks up to thee,
thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!

Now hear me while I pray,
take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day
be wholly thine!

May thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire!
As thou hast died for me,
O may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be,
a living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread,
and griefs around me spread,
be thou my guide;
bid darkness turn to day,
wipe sorrow's tears away,
nor let me ever stray
from thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,
when death's cold, sullen stream
shall o'er me roll;
blest Savior, then in love,
fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above,
a ransomed soul!

Anthem I Surrender All Choir

Prayers of the People: Joys and Concerns

Leader: Lord, in your mercy, People: **Hear our prayers.**

Children's Message Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Scripture Reading Mark 10:17-31 Bob Sanders

This is the word of God for all people. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Let the Children Come Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Offertory Prayer Bob Sanders

Offertory I Have Decided to Follow Jesus Choir

Doxology UMH 95

Prayer of Confession

**We stand before you, Saving God, stripped of
our pretensions and pride, for nothing we do or say, or**

do not, can be hidden from you. You hear the angry words we preach to ourselves; you sift through the rubble of hurts we have caused; you see how we stumble, weighed down by all that 'stuff' which keeps us from following Jesus.

We stand before you, Holy Grace. As you empty our hands of that wealth of unneeded things we cling so tightly to, fill them with your grace and hope. As we let go of all which might hold us back, give us the trust to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, into that life with which he offers to each of us.

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news! Because God loves us, we lack for nothing; because God forgives us, we have everything we need; because God surrounds us with siblings in Christ, we do not journey alone.

Committing everything to God, trusting in the One who redeems us, we decide to live as God's faithful and forgiven people. Amen.

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.

Prayer after Receiving

Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Commission and Blessing

Benedictory Response

Day by day, day by day,
O dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see Thee more clearly,
Love Thee more dearly,
Follow Thee more nearly,
Day by day (repeat)
(End) Day by day—day by day by day by day by day.

Offering Prayer is from "The Abingdon Worship Annual."
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written by
Thom Shuman from Lectionary Liturgies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY - NOV. 7

If you would like to add to our saints banner the name of a loved one who has passed, let Kristy Finney know. As we will celebrate all those who have gone before us, I would like to have 3-4 people share an example of how they have seen someone live out the love of God and neighbor. You can record yourself sharing this story and send it to me and we will show it during worship. I need these recordings by Oct. 27.

HALLOWEEN ON MAIN STREET: SATURDAY, OCT. 30

Our church will pass out candy to trick-or-treaters from 5-7:30p. If you'd like to donate items for trick-or-treaters, please bring individually wrapped candy (and/or stickers) divided into sandwich bags. We'll collect candy/stickers until Wednesday, Oct. 27.