

STAUNTON CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
Worshipping Christ with Joy, Living Together in Peace,
and Serving the World with Love
11:00 A.M. Online Worship September 6, 2020
The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: “That same night Jacob got up, took his two wives, his two concubines, and his eleven children, and crossed the Jabbok River. After he had sent them across, he also sent across all that he owned, but he stayed behind alone.”

All: *Historically we have found meaning in the fellowship we experience when we gather with others in worship. Yet we also recognize each of us stands alone before God in this time.*

One: “Then a man came and wrestled with Jacob until just before daybreak.”

All: *We also wrestle with God. We do so*

- *in dealing with our questions and doubts regarding our faith,*
- *in making ethical decisions,*
- *in struggling with God’s demanding claim on our lives.*

One: After the two wrestled all night, “The man said to Jacob, ‘Your name will no longer be Jacob. You have struggled with God and with humans, and you have won; so your name will be Israel.’”

All: *Even though it is difficult to confess the ways we struggle with God’s claim on our lives, we celebrate how our lives are changed when we receive God’s forgiveness—a change which might be symbolized in receiving a new name.*

Hymn: **“O God, in Restless Living” #557 (vs. 1, 3-4)**

Invocation

Scripture Reading: **Genesis 32:22-31**

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Message: **“Healing the Heal”**

Solo

Congregation at Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Hymn: **“Spirit of God! Descend” #502 (1, 3-5)**

Sending

Postlude

CONTINUING THE WORK OF JESUS
PEACEFULLY. SIMPLY. TOGETHER.

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Interim Pastor — J. D. Glick

Worship Leader — Scott Shomo

Hymn Leader/Soloist — David MacMillan

Organist/Pianist — Gaylon Hevener

Please Keep In Your Prayers

Pray for Ferne Rohr (The Legacy), Don Markle, Libby Tussing (Waynesboro Manor), Stanley and Brenda Shackleford, Melba Cline, Fred Wilkerson Sr., Fred Wilkerson Jr., Judy Zdinak, Logan Shorridge (Nancy Canter’s nephew), Dick Bartenslager, Vernon and Cleo Simmons, Allen Sandridge Sr. (The Legacy), Jay and Rosalie McLearn (Shenandoah), AJ Sandridge, Daniel Melton, Delton Botkin (Delmer’s brother with heart stints), Emily Edwards’ friend Dennis in Nicaragua, Linda Propst, Sue Whisman, Bob Armbruster, David Shearer, Wallace Clark, Mike Matieszyn (friend of Shirley and Dwane Maust), Cindy Spitzer, Russell and Sandy Roberts, Phyllis Lunsford, George Sullivan, Scott and Sally Shomo’s dear friend Mattie Marsh, Annie Collins’ brother-in-law, Bob Howell, Norma Shoemaker, Ferral Quick, Bob Weiss, and Sue Whisman

Continue to pray for the healing and the safety of the Nigerian Brethren, the Chibok girls, and so many others who have had their lives uprooted.

Keep praying.