

# HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOOD NEWS

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 7, 2019

## CALL TO REVERENCE

PRELUDE “Trumpet Tune”

Henry Purcell

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come to this place because we want to know God,

**All: who helps us set aside the past, to walk the path to new life.**

One: We come in these moments because we want to know Jesus,

**All: who anoints us with the resurrection, who shares our lives with us.**

One: We come with these people because we want to know the Spirit,

**All: who shapes us for life with God, so we may praise God forever! Let us worship God.**

## \*HYMN #629

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

## \*PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

One: Friends, let us confess our failures, and renounce our sins.

**All: Please hear us, loving God, when we cry to you, be gracious to us and answer our prayer.**

*(Silence is kept.)*

One: Holy God, like Judas, we like to complain about your generous ways, rather than living in your grace.

**All: The poor are always with us, a terrible truth that justifies our ignoring them.**

One: In our memories, we see a perceived golden past, and so close our eyes to the new things you do in our midst.

**All: We are so enamored with our achievements that we are not willing to throw them away in order to follow Jesus.**

One: Forgive us, Restoring God, and help us to notice the kingdom springing forth in our midst.

**All: By your grace, may our fears turn to faith, our seeds of grief produce a bumper crop of joy, and our tears turn into torrents of tenderness as we journey with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, to Jerusalem. Amen.**

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Making a way through all the foolishness and mistakes of our lives, God leads us into new life, where we are restored to grace, to hope, and to peace.

**All: Do we notice what God has done for us, what God is doing in us? This is good news for everyone. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.**

## \*SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

## \*HYMN #203

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST LESSON

Philippians 3:4b-14

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON

John 12:1-8

One: This too is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM “Here, O My Lord, I See You”

Schoenfeld

SERMON “Something Is Missing”

Stacey Steck

\*HYMN #494, vs. 1-2

“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation and Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (*concl. with the Lord’s Prayer*)

Words of Institution and the Breaking of the Bread

The Communion of the People

*(The bread is eaten immediately; the cup is consumed once all are served)*

Prayer after Communion

OUR OFFERING

Offertory. “Adagio Cantabile” from “Pathetique Sonata”

Beethoven

\* Doxology

Hymnal, #606

\* Prayer

\*HYMN #494, vs. 3-5

“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

\*BENEDICTION

Congregational Response (#543, vs. 1)

“O Christ Surround Me”

**God be the love to search and keep me;**

**God be the prayer to move my voice;**

**God be the strength to now uphold me:**

**O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

\*POSTLUDE “Praise The Lord”

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

\*Those who are able, please stand.

Some resources used in today’s service are adapted from [lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com](http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com)

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WELCOME VISITORS! We are delighted to welcome you today and hope your time here is a blessing. If you are not active in another church, we hope you will consider making Thyatira your church home. If you would like to find out more about us, please contact Pastor Stacey Steck at 704-245-8100.

USHERS: **April Team** – Mike Hawkins (captain), Bill Bergstrom, Jeremy Deal, Steven Wetmore, A.J. Waller

LITURGIST: **Today** – Debbie Edwards  
**Next Sunday** – Millicent Hoffner

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP: All children are strongly encouraged to remain in worship following the Time with Young Disciples. The Nursery is located on the first floor of the educational building, and is available for infants and very young children.

**This Sunday** – Carly Moore, Karen Townsend

**Next Sunday** – Abby Covington, Flora Calderón-Steck

GENEROSITY UPDATE: For the month of March we attained 116% of our monthly anticipated contributions. Let’s do it again in April! Your generous gifts help us be the Good News Capital of Rowan County!

## **THYATIRA PRAYER CONCERNS**

Please keep in your prayers the Session, Deacons, and Staff of the Church, as well as all who faithfully serve one another and our community through the ministries of the church.

Mocksville Senior Living: Mary Moon

At Home: JoAnn Kerr

- Barbara Karriker, Joyce Caldwell's cousin, diagnosed with cancer
- Whitaker Raymer, being treated for leukemia
- Johnny Moore, being treated for a recurrence of cancer
- Georgia McCorkle recovering from surgery
- The Organist Search Committee
- Mike Hawkins, being treated for back pain
- Fred Stamper recovering from a heart attack
- Drema Clemens' brother, Arthur Warden
- Norma Lauder, facing health challenges
- Ted Deal
- Communities affected by California fires, and Hurricanes Florence and Michael
- Bill McLaughlin
- Edna Stamper
- Joyce and Danny Caldwell, facing health challenges
- Julie, a co-worker of Jada, diagnosed with cancer
- Mike Hawkins' mother, Elizabeth, at Genesis
- Linda Gaylor's mother, Barbara
- Ada Jo Sloop, serving in the Peace Corps
- Bill Bergstrom is being treated for leukemia
- Drema Clemens' mother, Bertha Warden
- Millicent Hoffner's brother, Joe Kerr
- Paul Rogers' daughter and family in Pakistan

**PHONE PRAYER CHAIN:** If you, a family member, or friend would like to be added to our Phone Prayer Chain, please call Jim Albright at 704-279-3317. Thyatira's Phone Prayer Chain is different from being added to our electronic newsletter, mailed newsletter, and bulletin. We have 3 people that spread the word by calling approximately 25 prayer list members, who add your request to their daily prayers. Whatever your prayer need may be, finding peace of mind provides a foundation of strength to face any situation. Your request is a sacred trust and is kept confidential among our prayer list members.

### **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**

April 10 Brandon White

April 12 Clint Erwin

April 13 Jessica Swanson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

**IMplement LENT AT OUR LENTEN SUPPERS:** Join us at 6:00 p.m. each Wednesday during Lent, continuing April 10, as we deepen our devotion during this penitential season. We'll share a simple meal, worship by candlelight, and reflect on the season. Childcare is available.

**THYATIRA SCHOLARSHIPS:** Church members who are interested in applying for a college scholarship for the 2019-2020 school year should complete and return an application to the church office by Monday, April 15. Forms are located on the table in the back of the sanctuary or can be emailed by contacting the church office.

**CPR CERTIFICATION/RECERTIFICATION:** A CPR instructor will be holding a CPR class on Saturday, April 13 from 9am-12pm in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$40 per person. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the office or call/email the church office.

**MEALS ON WHEELS:** Volunteer drivers are needed the first and third Wednesdays of each month to deliver meals to our homebound neighbors. Please contact John Sloan at 704-633-3870 for more information or to offer yourself for this important community ministry.

### **HAPPENING THIS WEEK:**

Today	9:00am	Deacon's Meeting
	9:30am	Children's Choir (Big Kids) & The Happy Place
	10:00am	Sunday School for all ages
	11:00am	Worship with Communion
	4:00pm	GriefShare Support Group
	5:00pm	Youth Meeting
	6:30pm	Adult Choir
Monday	8:15am	Preschool
	6:00pm	Girl Scouts
	6:30pm	Boy & Cub Scouts
Tuesday	8:15am	Preschool
	6:30pm	Tutoring
Wednesday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
	6:00pm	Lenten Meal & Study
	8:00pm	Strategic Planning Committee Meeting
Thursday	8:15am	Preschool
	10:00am	Smart Start
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
	5:30pm	Preschool Board Meeting
	6:30pm	Tutoring
	7:30pm	Finance Meeting
Friday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
	7:00pm	Book Club Meeting at Stag & Doe, China Grove
Saturday	9:00am	CPR Training
Next Sunday	8:30am	Session Meeting
	9:30am	Children's Choir (Big Kids) & The Happy Place
	10:00am	Sunday School for all ages
	11:00am	Palm Sunday Worship
	12:00pm	Easter egg hunt/meal
	6:30pm	Adult Choir

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Office Manager . . . . . Sharon Gantkowski  
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Director of Music . . . . . Angela Moore  
Organist . . . . .

### THE SESSION

Moderator . . . . . The Rev. Stacey Steck  
Clerk of Session. . . . . Glenn McCorkle

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David Hall  
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Juanita Turner

#### Class of 2020

Robin Luther  
Doug Patterson  
Phares Sechler  
Brian Waller

#### Class of 2021

Beth Bates  
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### THE DIACONATE

Chairman of the Diaconate. . . . . Paul Gaylor

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Jeremy Deal  
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Aaron Richmond  
Steven Wetmore

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Mike Hawkins  
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A.J. Waller  
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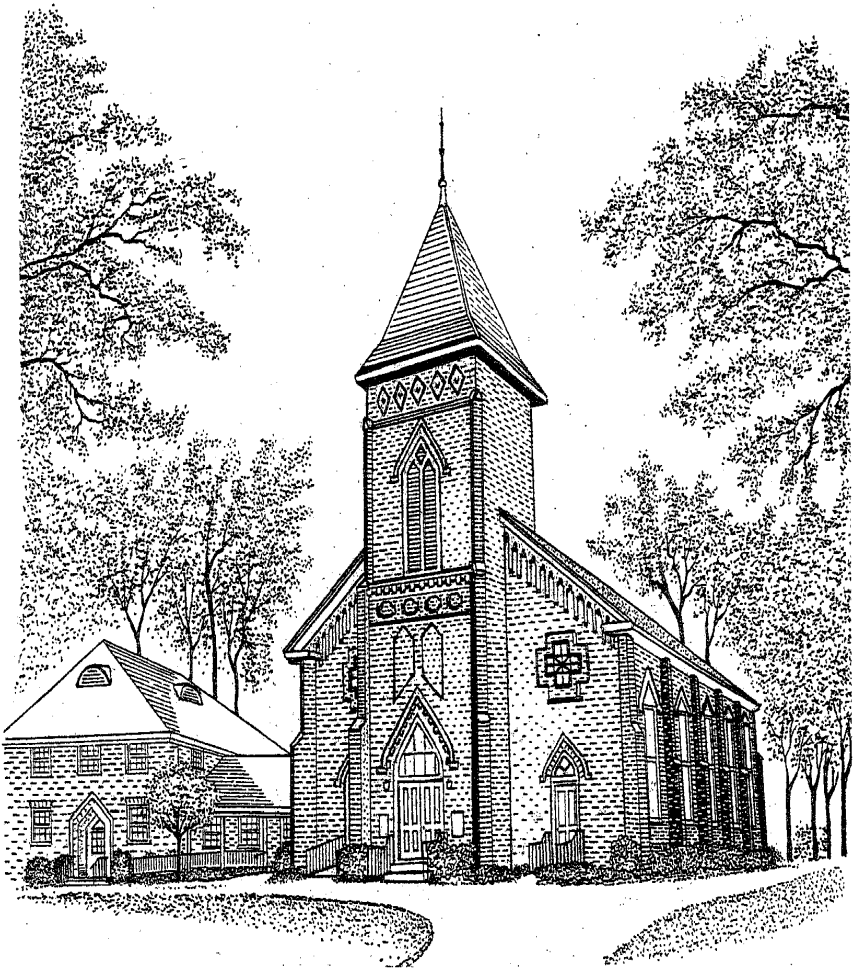
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Girl Scouts. . . . . Jada Ware-Guy

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