

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2018

CALL TO REVERENCE

PRELUDE

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“My Faith Looks Up to Thee” with “Jesu, Word of God”

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather as God’s beloved children –

All: However glad we are, however out of sorts we are.

One: We come together as people whom Jesus calls into community –

All: So this becomes a place where all are welcome.

One: We have come to give thanks, to pray and sing, to be with other –

All: Let us worship God.

*OPENING SONG “You Are My All in All”

#519

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from the Confession of 1967

The Lord’s Supper is a celebration of our reconciliation with God and with one another, in which we joyfully eat and drink together at the table of our Savior. Jesus Christ gave his church this remembrance of his dying for sinners so that by participation in it we have communion with him and with all who shall be gathered to him. Partaking in him as we eat the bread and drink the wine in accordance with Christ’s appointment, we receive from the risen and living Lord the benefits of his death and resurrection. We rejoice in the foretaste of the kingdom which he will bring to consummation at his promised coming, and go out from the Lord’s Table with courage and hope for the service to which he has called us. Amen.

*HYMN #410

“God Is Calling Through the Whisper”

*PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Holy God, Lord of love:

For not singing when we are joyful;

For not shouting to the world the good that you do;

For not trusting the love that surrounds us;

For not enacting the justice you call us to;

For not believing the Good News is meant for all:

Forgive us.

Encourage us and change us, help us and inspire us,

that we will magnify you, and rejoice in God our Savior.

Amen.

*SUNG ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hymn #447

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*HYMN #510 “We Gather Here in Jesus’ Name”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST LESSON 1 John 5:1-6

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON John 15:9-17

One: This too is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM “In Remembrance of Me” Red

SERMON “Victory in Jesus” Stacey Steck

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

* Hymn of Preparation #516, vs. 1-2

Invitation and Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution and the Breaking of the Bread

The Communion of God’s People

* Hymn of Thanksgiving #516, vs. 3-4

OUR OFFERING

Offertory: “Thou Art Worthy” Doran

* 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.

* Prayer

*HYMN (see insert) “Victory in Jesus”

*BENEDICTION

Congregational Response “Be Not Afraid” #243

Be not afraid; Sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!

Be not afraid; Sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!

*POSTLUDE “The Son of God Goes Forth to War” Young

*Those who are able, please stand.

Some resources used in today’s service are from holdfasttowhatisgood.com.

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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.

GRATITUDE GRAMS IN THE PEWS: If you would like to give thanks for someone or something, please grab a Gratitude Gram from the pew, fill it out and place it in the Offering plate as it goes by. We’ll pass it along or publish it in the e-newsletter.

USHERS: May Team – Aaron Richmond, Captain, Randall Patterson, Mike Connolly, Paul Gaylor, and Daniel Milam

LITURGIST: **Today** – Phares Sechler; **Next Sunday** – Bill Hall

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

This Sunday – Ashley Wilkie, Melissa Kluttz

Next Sunday – Alice Sloop, Beth Bates

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS (2’s & 3’s and Preschool):

Today – Leigh Anne Wetmore; **Next Sunday** – Linda Rogers and Karen Townsend

THYATIRA PRAYER CONCERNS

C/O George Calhoun: Mary Alice Calhoun

White Oak Manor, Charlotte: Ruby Erwin

Kiser Hospice House, Salisbury: Ronney Steele

At Home: JoAnn Kerr

- The family of Susan Beard, who passed away last week
- The family of Mullie Varner, who passed away last week
- Bill Hall, recovering from surgery
- Nell Fuller, in rehab at Liberty Commons
- Jeanie Walton Jacobs, continued health issues and the passing of her mother
- O.C. Shoaf
- Fred & Edna Stamper
- James Myers' sister, Pauline, is in the hospital
- Elaine Hemmings, sister of Brenda Ward
- Pam Poteat Clough, friend of Joyce Caldwell
- Tom Turner, recovering from knee replacement surgery
- Tom Wilson, nephew of Brenda Ward, suffering from blood clots
- Joyce Caldwell, facing health challenges
- Julie, a co-worker of Jada, recently diagnosed with cancer
- Kitty Harris, dealing with health issues, and the unexpected loss of her cousin
- Carol King
- Evaun Bulman, friend of Sharry Davis, undergoing cancer treatment
- The situation in Puerto Rico following the hurricane
- A friend of Keith Townsend, being treated for cancer
- Mike Hawkins' mother, Elizabeth, now 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
- Mike Hawkins who has RA
- Jimmy's mother and father, Ernestine & Bill Hoffner
- Paul Rogers' daughter and family in Pakistan
- The Raymer family serving in Tanzania, Africa

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CALENDAR

<u>BIRTHDAYS:</u>	May 6	Tyler Belk Leigh Lauder
	May 7	Suzi Cocca Robin Luther Katelyn Daniels
	May 8	Jonathan Luther Michael Parish Lucia Steck
	May 9	Sandy Kern
	May 10	AJ Waller

WRBTA VIDALIA ONION SALE: Vidalia onions are being sold to benefit West Rowan Bible Teachers Association. 10 pounds for \$10.00. Call or text orders to 704-640-2455 by May 7th. Pickup orders on May 10th from 4-5:30pm at West Rowan High School AG Building, 8050 NC Hwy 801, Mt Ulla. Give a \$10 donation to have a bag of onions delivered to Rowan Helping Ministries.

THYATIRA SCHOLARSHIPS: Church members who are interested in applying for a scholarship for the 2018-2019 school year should complete and return an application to the church office by May 7. Forms are located on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

2018-2019 PRESCHOOL REGISTRSTION: Thyatira Presbyterian Preschool is accepting registrations for 2, 3, and 4 year olds (age as of August 31, 2018) for the 2018-2019 school year. Classes begin after Labor Day. If you know someone who may be interested, please have them contact the church at office@thyatirapresbyterian.org.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Today	9:30am	Children's Choir (Big Kids) & The Happy Place
	9:50am	Children's Choir (Preschoolers)
	10:00am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:00am	Worship with Communion
	6:30pm	Adult Choir
Monday	8:15am	Preschool
	6:30pm	Cub & Boy Scouts
Tuesday	8:15am	Preschool
Wednesday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
	6:30pm	Prayer, Song & Study
	7:30pm	Strategic Planning Steering Committee
Thursday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
	7:00pm	Finance Committee
Friday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
Next Sunday	9:30am	Children's Choir (Big Kids) & The Happy Place
	9:50am	Children's Choir (Preschoolers)
	10:00am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:00am	Worship
	12:00pm	Mother's Day Meal
	6:30pm	Adult Choir

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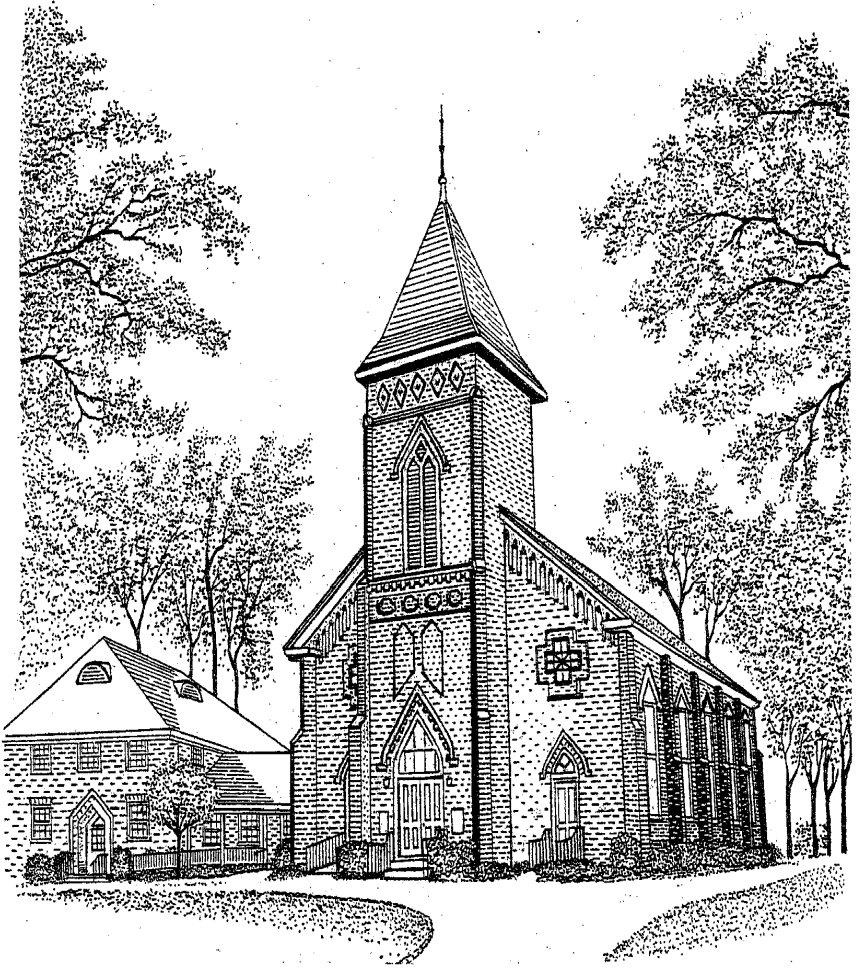
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WELCOME

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