

HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOOD NEWS

The Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

June 17, 2018

CALL TO REVERENCE

PRELUDE

“Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”
with “Sheep May Safely Graze”

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: All around us, God is preparing fields for the harvest.

All: It is as if God is planting seeds of compassion in us, waiting and watching for them to bloom in our lives.

One: In our midst, Jesus is walking among us, weeding our hearts, watering us with grace.

All: It is as if Jesus is trusting that our souls will grow big enough to welcome everyone.

One: From morning to evening, the Spirit is at work, gently tending this garden called life.

All: It is as if the Spirit has found the perfect spots to bring forth crops of justice and peace.

One: Let us grow up into being bread for the world.

All: Let us worship the God who can make it so.

*HYMN #363

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King!”

*SUNG PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hymnal, #695

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the Potter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hear the good news: God's love is neither logical nor understandable. For God forgives those we never would, including ourselves, and changes those who never could, including ourselves.

All: This is the One who has mercy on everyone, showering grace and joy over everyone, including us! Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*HYMN #370

“This Is My Father's World”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 103

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 4:26-34

One: This too is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM “Woke Up This Morning” arr. Cleveland and Nix

SERMON “The Gleeeful Reaper” Stacey Steck

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (concluding with the Lord’s Prayer)

Blessing of Chiapas Mission Exploration Team

Brian and Melissa Waller, Beth Bates, and Lauren Luther

OUR OFFERING

Offertory: “Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us”

Jones

* Doxology

Hymnal, #606

* Prayer

*HYMN #634

“To God Be the Glory”

*BENEDICTION

Congregational Response

“Make Us One”

Make us one, Lord, make us one; Holy Spirit, make us one.

Let Your love flow so the world will know we are one in You.

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*POSTLUDE “Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus”

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*Those who are able, please stand.

Some resources used in today’s service are from lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.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.

USHERS: **June Team** – Ben Watts (Captain), Ted Fuller, Paul Rogers, Jada Ware-Guy

LITURGIST: **Today** – Bill Hall **Next Sunday** – N/A Worship in the Park

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 – Jada Ware-Guy, Flora Calderón-Steck

Next Sunday – Janet Lambert, Lydia Richmond

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

Today – Linda Rogers

Next Sunday – N/A Worship in the Park

GENEROSITY UPDATE: In the first 2 weeks of June we reached 61% of our monthly goal. Thanks for helping us to share the Good News!

THYATIRA PRAYER CONCERNS

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

C/O George Calhoun: Mary Alice Calhoun

White Oak Manor, Charlotte: Ruby Erwin

At Home: JoAnn Kerr
Nell Fuller

- Pauline Myers, recovering from surgery
- Bob Weast, in rehab following a hip replacement
- The McKenzie family, following the death of their infant son, Bodie
- Bill McLaughlin
- Jeanie Walton Jacobs and her daughter Yevette, healing from automobile accident, continued health issues, and the passing of her mother
- Carol King
- Fred & Edna Stamper
- Pam Poteat Clough, friend of Joyce Caldwell
- Joyce Caldwell, facing health challenges
- Julie, a co-worker of Jada, recently diagnosed with cancer
- Kitty Harris, dealing with health issues
- The situation in Puerto Rico following the hurricane
- 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
- 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

BIRTHDAYS: June 17 Courtney Cruz, Cooper Covington
June 20 Danielle Deal, Taylor Patterson
June 21 Katelynn McKnight, Kelly Ijames
June 22 Lydia Richmond
June 23 Dot Luther, Eric Nabors

PASTORAL NEEDS THIS WEEK: Pastor Stacey will be away this week. If you have any pastoral need, please contact any member of the Session, or the Church office.

TRUST FUND COMMITTEE: There is a meeting scheduled at the church this Wednesday, June 20 at 7:00pm.

PRAYER, SONG, AND STUDY: Prayer, Song, and Study will be on hiatus until the fall. Please join us then!

PRESBYTERIANS IN THE PARK! Join us Sunday, June 24 for worship at Sloan Park along with Third Creek and Unity Presbyterian Churches. We'll enjoy a covered dish Fellowship Meal following the service and playground supervision will be provided during worship. Bring lawn chairs and your best dish to share! There will be no Sunday School.

2018-2019 PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION: 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.

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.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Today	9:00am	Christian Education Meeting
	9:30am	Children's Choir (Big Kids)
	9:30am	Donuts for Dad on Father's Day
	9:50am	Children's Choir (Preschoolers)
	10:00am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Adult Choir
Monday	6:30pm	Boy Scouts
	7:00pm	VBS Meeting
Wednesday	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
	7:00pm	Trust Fund Meeting
Thursday	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
Friday	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
	7:00pm	Book Club (<i>Catch-22</i> by Joseph Heller)
Next Sunday	11:00am	Worship in the Park with Third Creek & Unity Presbyterian
	12:00pm	Fellowship Meal
	2:00pm	VBS Meeting

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Class of 2019

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Ryan Sloop

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Daniel Milam
Aaron Richmond
Steven Wetmore

Class of 2020

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Randall Patterson
Paul Rogers
AJ Waller
Ben Watts

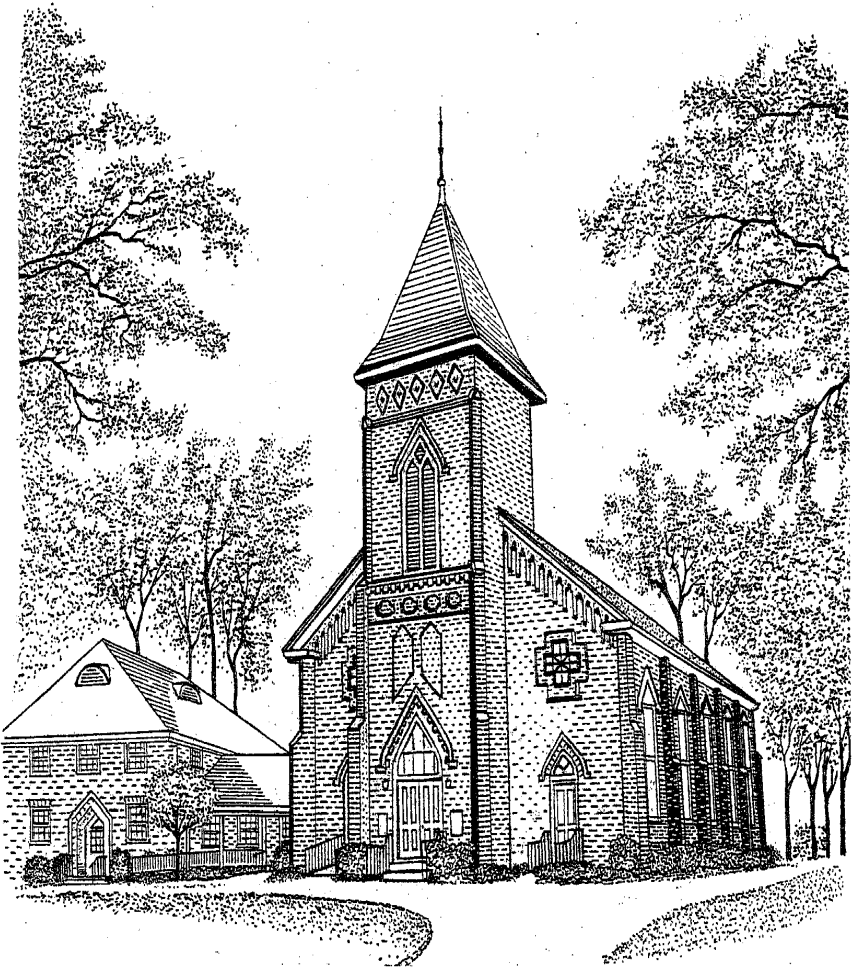
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WELCOME

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