

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 18, 2017

CALL TO REVERENCE AND LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRELUDE "To God Be the Glory" Doran

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* OPENING SONG "Lord, Prepare Me" #701
*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come to worship our God, who has done wonders in our lives.

All: God anoints us with joy and light, gifts from the treasures of God's heart.

One: We come to follow Jesus, who bears our lives with grace and hope.

All: Jesus would send us into the brokenness of the world to bring healing.

One: We come to be touched by the Spirit, who brings gentleness and peace for all.

All: The Spirit would enable us to offer reconciliation and justice to everyone we meet.

One: Let us speak of this good news again this morning.

All: Let us worship God!

* HYMN #81 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken!"

* PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Call

Silent Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy God, of course, we will do everything you ask, even as we cross our fingers behind our backs. Yes, we could go where people are suffering, but we like the comfort of our homes. Yes, we could be with others as they seek to endure life, but compassion is often hard to share. Yes, we could offer hope to the hungry and homeless, but we barely have enough for ourselves. Forgive us in your steadfast love, and have mercy on us. Remind us that is was when we were most foolish, that you became fallible; it was when we were vile, that you became so vulnerable; when the world would not welcome us, that Jesus came – to listen to our emptiness, to comfort our grieving hearts, and to cast out death's power over us. We confess this in his name. Amen.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God as done it! God has carried away our foolishness. God has brought us out of despair and hope, and made us God's precious treasure.

All: We give thanks to our God, whose love is fresh and new in every moment, whose faithfulness is forever. Amen.

* SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

* HYMN #443 "There Is a Redeemer"

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 16:16-34 (pg. 1009)

ANTHEM "Complete In Thee" Nyce

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from the Confession of 1967

The reconciling act of God in Jesus Christ exposes the evil in people as sin in the sight of God. In sin, people claim mastery of their own lives, turn against God and each other, and become exploiters and despoilers of the world. They lose their humanity in futile striving and are left in rebellion, despair, and isolation. Wise and virtuous men and women through the ages have sought the highest good in devotion to freedom, justice, peace, truth, and beauty. Yet all human virtue, when seen in the light of God's love in Jesus Christ, is found to be infected by self-interest and hostility. All people, good and bad alike, are in the wrong before God and helpless without God's forgiveness. Thus everyone falls under God's judgment. No one is more subject to that judgment than those who assume that they are guiltless before God or morally superior to others. God's love never changes. Against all who oppose the divine will, God expresses love in wrath. In the same love, God bore judgment and shameful death in Jesus Christ, to bring all people to repentance and new life.

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

OUR OFFERING

Offertory: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Young

* 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 #65

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

* BENEDICTION

Congregational Response "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #286, vs. 1

***Breathe on me, Breathe of God, fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.***

* POSTLUDE

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

Young

*Please rise, in body and/or spirit.

Resources used in this morning's service from lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com
and rev-o-lution.org

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 call the church office at 704-636-1595.

LITURGIST: Today – Flora Calderón-Steck

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 – Michelle Patterson, Nora Dellinger

GENEROSITY UPDATE: The first two weeks in June we have reached 41.9% of our monthly goal.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

THYATIRA PRAYER CONCERNS

<u>Trinity Oaks Rehab:</u>	Ronney Steele
<u>Brightmoor Nursing Center:</u>	Frank Fuller
<u>Lutheran Home:</u>	Mullie Varner Rebecca Morrison
<u>C/O George Calhoun:</u>	Mary Alice Calhoun
<u>White Oak Manor, Charlotte:</u>	Ruby Erwin
<u>At Home:</u>	JoAnn Kerr Ted Deal OC Shoaf Bill Feimster (recovering from surgery) Millicent Hoffner (recovering from knee surgery)

- The family of Stephanie Palmore (daughter of Paul and Linda Gaylor) whose brother-in-law died unexpectedly this week
- Ada Jo Sloop, safely arrived in Uganda to begin her service with the Peace Corps
- Phares' daughter-in-law's father, Guy Schenck has been diagnosed with cancer in his eye and has several very serious decisions to make
- Norma Lauder is recovering from a serious hernia surgery
- Gary Hensley, friend of Charles Newsome, recovering from prostate cancer surgery
- Father of Michelle Patterson, Pete Adkins is undergoing treatment for Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma
- Ashley Wilkie, recovering from automobile accident
- Maddie Patrick, 7-year-old from Port Orange, Florida has liver & bone cancer, friend of Sharon Deal
- Bo Deal, with ongoing medical issues
- A friend of Phares, Cindy Pope, being treated for some serious health issues
- Bill Bergstrom is being treated for leukemia
- Sharry Davis is being treated for cancer
- Millard Goodnight, undergoing cancer treatment
- Dana Milam's friend, Stacia Henry in Jamaica
- Nell Fuller's niece, Mary Jo Wood, is undergoing cancer treatments
- Drema Clemens' mother, Bertha Warden
- Millicent Hoffner's brother, Joe Kerr
- Mike Hawkins who has RA
- Former member, Pat Hall
- Debbie Belk, a friend of Joyce Caldwell
- Jimmy's mother and father, Ernestine & Bill Hoffner
- Paul Rogers' daughter and family

JUNE PRAYER FOCUS: Addictions

A Prayer for Addicted Persons by Anonymous

Lord God in heaven Creator of all things. You have all power to heal those who are struggling with the devastating disease of addiction. We pray, O God, you would intercede in their lives and flood their eyes with light. So they can know and understand the hope to which you have called them.

Give them strength and courage take away their fears, grief, anxieties, and resentments. Send your Word, O God, to heal them, and rescue them from the pit of destruction. Allow them to live and not die. Heal their broken hearts and bind up their wounds curing all of their pains and sorrows. Allow them to hear your call, allow them the grace to never ever give up and to always stay focused on you.

Fill their hearts with your word, for your word is life to all who find it and health for the whole body, mind, and spirit. We pray these things in Jesus' Holy Name. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

BIRTHDAYS: June 18 – Frank Fuller
19 – Rebecca Morrison
20 – Danielle Deal, Taylor Patterson
21 – Katelynn McKnight, Kelly Ijames
22 – Lydia Richmond
23 – Dot Luther

DIRECTORIES: Updated Directories are in the office. If you would like one, please pick one up at your convenience.

ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES-WEST: Our local food pantry is in need of donations to provide food for families in need. Please bring donations of canned goods and other imperishable food products to the church, or consider making a cash donation.

HAPPY PLACE VOLUNTEER: We have the need for volunteers to host Happy Place. This is a fun time in the morning and a good place to meet the new members and old members. You don't have to do much, just bring something sweet (store bought is fine), some kind of fruit, juice, and make coffee. Please help us out. Contact Juanita Turner for more details.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Today	8:30am	Session Meeting
	9:00am	Christian Education Meeting
	9:30am	MS/HS Sunday School
		The Happy Place
		Children's Choir
	10:00am	Children & Adult Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship / Father's Day Service
Monday	6:30pm	Boy Scouts
Wednesday	7:00pm	Health Cabinet Meeting
Next Sunday	9:30am	MS/HS Sunday School
		The Happy Place
		Children's Choir
	10:00am	Children & Adult Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship in the Park
	6:30pm	Adult Choir