

# ORDER FOR WORSHIP

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JULY 2, 2017

CALL TO REVERENCE AND LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRELUDE "An Early American March" Hewitt

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* OPENING SONG "Great Are You, Lord" #614

\* CALL TO WORSHIP based on Psalm 13

One: Come, all who have asked, "How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever?"

**All: *The wondering are welcome.***

One: Come, you who have asked, "How long must I bear pain in my soul, and have sorrow in my heart all day long?"

**All: *The despairing are welcome.***

One: Come, all who have said, "I trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation."

**All: *The faithful are welcome.***

One: Come, let us be those who have sung to the Lord, because God has dealt bountifully with us.

**All: *All are welcome here.***

\* HYMN #510 "We Gather Here in Jesus' Name"

\* PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Call

Silent Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

***Welcoming God, you know us each by name.***

***We call ourselves righteous.***

***We name ourselves as your disciples.***

***We believe that we've been sent to offer your welcome, but we haven't asked the names of those pains and sorrows.***

***We haven't considered those pleas and protests.***

***We have only heard our own answers.***

***Welcoming God, forgive us.***

***Forgive us for the cup of water we didn't offer.***

***Forgive us for the name we didn't ask.***

***Forgive us for the generosity we didn't share.***

***Cool our tempers by speaking our names***

***so that we may gracefully be the prophets of your welcome.***

***Help us to offer the hope that we have found in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, in whom we pray. Amen.***

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, hear the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation. The old has gone. The new has come. Sin and death have been defeated. Life and hope take their place.

**All: *May we be worthy of the gifts we have received. Amen.***

\* SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

\* HYMN #435

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 22:12-21

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: *Thanks be to God.***

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 10:40-42

One: This too is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "Blessed Quietness" Marshall

SERMON "Signs of Life to the Holy City" Stacey Steck

\* HYMN #503 "Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation"

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

OUR OFFERING

Offertory: "Battle Hymn Of The Republic" Ore

\* 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 #318 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

\* BENEDICTION

Congregational Response "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

***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 "The Stars And Stripes Forever" Sousa

\*Those who are able, please stand. Resources used in today's service from  
[lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com](http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com) and [ucc.org](http://ucc.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 – Janet Lambert  
Next Week – 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 – Selena Bell, TBD

Next Sunday – Lydia Richmond, TBD

GENEROSITY UPDATE: For the month of June we reached a mere 79% of our monthly goal. If you will be traveling this summer, we'll be grateful when you "catch up" upon arriving home!

# JOYS AND CONCERNS

## THYATIRA PRAYER CONCERNS

<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 David Upright who died this week
- Bill Hall, recovering from a heart catheterization procedure
- Ronney Steele, gaining strength at home
- Ada Jo Sloop
- 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
- 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

## JULY PRAYER FOCUS: Salem Presbytery

Holy God, we seek your wisdom, strength, and compassion for the work of Salem Presbytery as it seeks to be a visible witness to Jesus Christ, to equip and strengthen its congregations and leaders for ministry in the world, and to inspire and model local and global mission among the more than 150 Presbyterian churches within its bounds. Guide its leaders, direct its work, and help it to bring joy and justice to Central North Carolina.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

BIRTHDAYS: July 3 – William Feimster  
5 – Beth Bates  
6 – Emory Graham  
8 – Buddy Erwin, Flora Calderón-Steck

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Classes are available for children nursery to 5th grade (rising 6th graders). This year, we will be preregistering attendance to make better preparations. A light supper will be served at 5:45pm then the program begins each Wednesday in July at 6:30pm. The evening ends at 8:00 pm. Pastor Stacey will also lead a class every week for adults. Please register with the bulletin insert or go to the website <http://bit.ly/thyatiraVBS17>.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped setup and cleanup at the park last Sunday. A special thank you to Leigh Ann Wetmore, Richard Luther, Jonathan Luther and all the Deacons for all their help. It never would have gone so smoothly without them. Thank you so very much, Juanita Turner

ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: If you are interested in volunteering at the shelter on July 6 for lunch or July 10 or 12 for breakfast please contact Melissa Klutz at 704-202-3634 or Brynn Smith at 704-637-6838 ext 117.

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

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are currently seeking volunteers to serve in a nursery rotation. We need a minimum of 2 people per week. We like for our children to experience worship as much as possible, and due to limited space, volunteers should expect to supervise children under 3 years old. Arrive in the nursery at 10:45am on Sunday to relieve the Sunday School teachers and to allow for drop off before church starts at 11am. Contact Abby Covington to sign-up or for more information.

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	Worship on the Patio
	9:30am	The Happy Place
	10:00am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:00am	Worship/Communion
	12:15pm	Adult Choir
Wednesday	5:45pm	Vacation Bible School
	7:30pm	TMA Board Meeting
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	9:30am	The Happy Place
		Children's Choir
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