

HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOOD NEWS

Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 4, 2019

CALL TO REVERENCE

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: If you wish to be raised up with Christ, then seek the high ground where Christ is found.

All: O give thanks to God who is so good, whose love goes on forever!

One: Let the redeemed all say so together, those who have been liberated and gathered in from many lands.

All: From the east and from the west, from the north and from the south,

One: We seek the high ground where Christ is found.

All: O give thanks to God who is so good, whose love goes on forever!

One: Let us worship our wonderful God.

* HYMN #716 "God Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

*PRAYERS OF CONFESSION *(silently and personally and then in unison)*

If we were self-sufficient, and had all the answers, we would not be here, all-wise God. If our achievements matched our aims and if our deeds perfectly reflected our holist vows, we would not be so spiritually hungry, God of truth and grace. If we had cared for our neighbors with the love of Jesus Christ, and cherished our loved ones without selfishness or impatience, we would not be seeking your mercy, redeeming God. We bring to you our inept and evil ways, and rest the troublesome load of frustration, disappointment, regret and guilt in your hands. Please wash the grime and infection from our wounds, and anoint us with the salve of forgiveness. Take us gently by the chin and lift up our faces so that we can look up into the face of Christ Jesus without shame or fear. With him let us recover our authentic humanity and face all coming challenges with his quiet strength and optimism. In his name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Family of God, lift up your spirits with thanksgiving to God whose nature is always to have mercy. All who have come clean and sought forgiveness shall never need to revisit old shame again. The untarnished future is God's and it is now offered to you with open hands. We are forgiven. All things have become new through Christ Jesus our Savior!

All: O give thanks to God who is so good, whose love goes on forever!!

*SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*HYMN #175

"Seek Ye First"

FIRST LESSON

Colossians 3:1-11

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 12:13-21

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM “How Deep The Father’s Love”

Townend

SERMON

The Rev. George Jones

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

OUR OFFERING

Offertory

* Doxology

Hymnal, #606

* Prayer

*HYMN #772

“Live Into Hope”

*BENEDICTION

Congregational Response, #288

“Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

*POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.

Some resources used in today’s service are adapted from
re-worship.blogspot.com and rev-olution.org/

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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.

WELCOME GEORGE! We welcome once again to Thyatira’s pulpit the Rev. George Jones and his wife Mary.

USHERS: **August Team** – Melissa Waller (captain), Aaron Richmond, Paul Gaylor, Daniel Milam, Randall Patterson

LITURGIST: **Today** – Leigh Anne Wetmore
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 – Abby Covington, Alice Sloop

Next Sunday – Robin Luther, Debbie Edwards

GENEROSITY UPDATE: For the month of July, we reached 82% of our monthly anticipated contributions. Your generous gifts do so much toward making us be the Good News Capital of Rowan County! You can now also give conveniently online using the GivePlus+ app.

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

- Kira Wetmore's family, her father hospitalized and her mother passed away after being in a bad car accident
- Tony Albright, slowly healing from toe surgery
- The family of Myra Rand, who died recently
- The family of Dewey Shaver, who passed away on July 8
- Drema Clemens and her family following the death of her mother, Bertha Warden on July 6
- Ada Jo Sloop, returning home soon after serving in the Peace Corps
- Barbara Karriker, Joyce Caldwell's cousin, diagnosed with cancer
- Whitaker Raymer, being treated for leukemia
- Johnny Moore, being treated for a recurrence of cancer
- The Organist Search Committee
- Mike Hawkins, ongoing health issues
- Fred Stamper recovering from a heart attack
- Drema Clemens' brother, Arthur Warden
- Norma Lauder, facing health challenges
- Ted Deal
- Midwest communities affected by tornados
- 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
- Bill Bergstrom is being treated for leukemia
- Millicent Hoffner's brother, Joe Kerr

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

August 4 Stephen Milam

August 5 Ronda White

August 6 Dana Edwards, Jennie Graham,
Norman McCorkle, Vickie Stamper

August 8 Cailey Nabors

August 10 Jeremy Deal, Mark Wetmore

HOME COMING IS AUGUST 11: Don't miss Homecoming when we'll celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, dedicate the Picnic Shelter and tables, honor our scholarship donors, and enjoy a great feast.

RALLY SUNDAY IS AUGUST 25: Breakfast will be hosted by the Men of the Church at 8:30am, followed by Sunday School at 10:00am, and then Worship at 11:00am with the Blessing of the Backpacks.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: Until Monday, August 26, the office hours will be Monday-Friday 8:00am-12:00pm.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Today 9:00am Deacons Meeting
 9:30am The Happy Place
 9:30am Children's Choir (Big Kids)
 9:50am Children's Choir (Preschool)
 10:00am Sunday School for all ages
 11:00am Worship

Wednesday 11:00am Meals on Wheels
 7:00pm Prayer, Song & Study

Thursday 10:00am Smart Start
 11:00am Meals on Wheels
 7:00pm Christian Education Meeting
 7:00pm Finance Committee Meeting

Friday 11:00am Meals on Wheels

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 9:50am Children's Choir (Preschool)
 10:00am Sunday School for all ages
 11:00am Worship with Communion
 12:00pm Covered Dish Lunch

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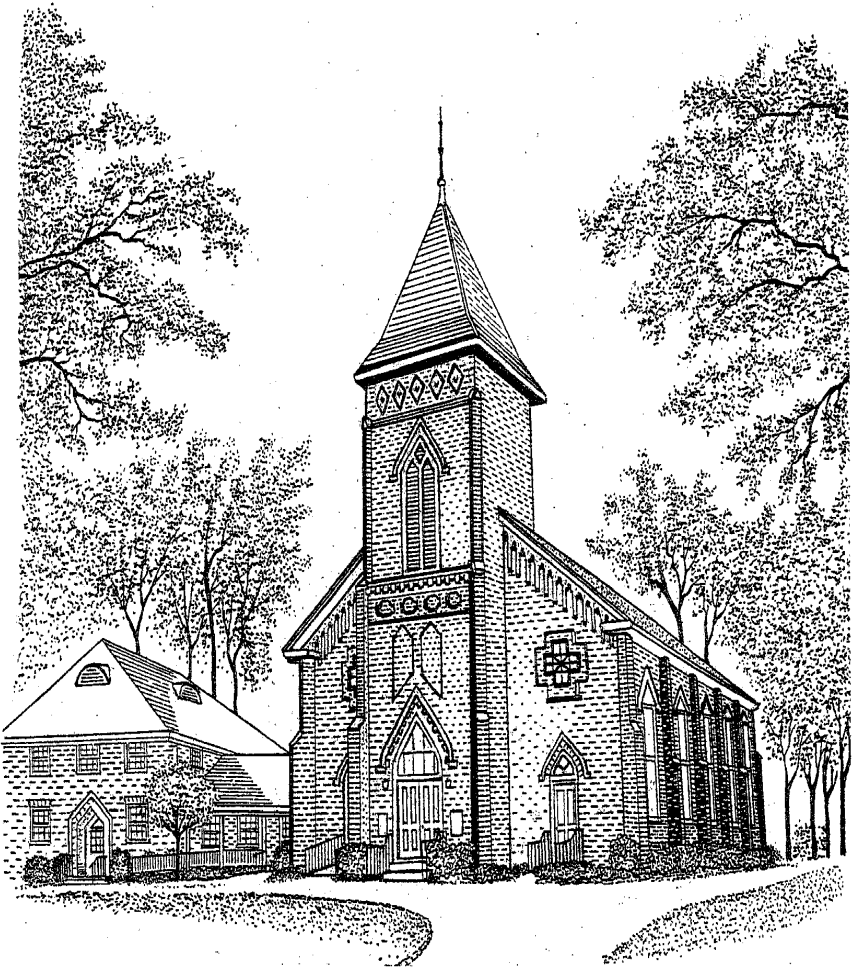
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WELCOME

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