

HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOOD NEWS

The Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 5, 2018

CALL TO REVERENCE

PRELUDE

“How Beautiful”

Duran

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lead a life worthy of your calling.

All: We cannot do this alone, we dare not try this alone, so we gather as God's people.

One: Lead a life filled with the gifts of your calling, gifts to be used with service and meekness.

All: We come to build up Christ's Body, in humility and gentleness, with patience and love.

One: Lead a life which reflects your calling, that life of peace grounded in the Spirit.

All: We rejoice in our oneness in Christ; we would share the grace offered to us.

One: Live a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called.

All: We join to worship as God's family to be led by the Spirit into the fullness of Christ's body.

*HYMN #1

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

*PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Compassionate God, it is not easy for us to confront those deeds which do not please you. We are so busy looking for the miracles we desire, we cannot see the gift of your presence in others. We are so intent on indulging our appetites and slaking our thirsts, we cannot taste that Bread which gives life. We spend so much of our lives bemoaning the acts of others, we have no time to look in the mirror and see our secret faces. Forgive us, we pray. Grace us with your mercy, so we might be made whole. Touch our inner beings and heal us, so we might know joy and gladness. Create new hearts within us, so they might beat as one with each other, and with your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in whom we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Despite knowing our sin, God chooses to forgive us; seeing our emptiness, God chooses to feed us; holding our shattered hearts, God chooses to heal us. This is the good news: God loves us.

All: God has graced us with mercy and created new life from our brokenness. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

VBS

*HYMN #318

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR “ONE MISSION OUTREACH”

Melissa Kluttz

ANTHEM “Songs from the Shipwrecked”

The VBS Crew

FIRST LESSON

Ephesians 3:14-21

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON

John 6:24-35

One: This too is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Good News from Chiapas”

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

OUR OFFERING

Offertory: “There Is A Fountain”

Young

* Doxology

Hymnal, #606

* Prayer

*HYMN #69

“Here I Am, Lord”

*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 “How Majestic Is Your Name”

Carter

*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: **August Team** – Aaron Richmond (Captain), Randall Patterson, Mike Connolly, Paul Gaylor, 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 – Carly Moore, Dana Milam

Next Sunday – Michelle Patterson, Robin Luther

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

Today – Drema Clemens

Next Sunday – Melissa Kluttz, Leigh Anne Wetmore

GENEROSITY UPDATE: For the month of July we reached 95% of our monthly goal. Thanks for helping us to share the Good News!

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.

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

- Klancy and Jeremy Deal, birth of baby Abigail on July 20
- The family of Jeanie Walton Jacobs, whose daughter Yvette, died on July 19
- Susan, a friend of Stacey's, whose brother died
- John Steele, being treated for leukemia at Baptist Hospital
- Juanita Turner, recovering from surgery on her hand
- Pauline Myers, recovering from surgery
- Bill McLaughlin
- 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: August 5 Ronda White
August 6 Dana Edwards, Jennie Graham
Norman McCorkle, Vickie Stamper
August 8 Cailey Nabors
August 10 Jeremy Deal, Mark Wetmore
August 11 Eric Rouse

BABY CARD DROP: Cards of well wishes will be collected for Amol and Cari (McCachren) Shah and baby from August 5-19. Please place cards in the diaper box located in the Educational Building.

ONE CHURCH ONE CHILD has requested wide ruled notebook paper for the back to school drive. Our goal at Thyatira is to collect 296 packs. Please bring your donations of wide ruled paper to the educational building by Sunday, August 12. These will go to needy children in Rowan County. Contact Jada Ware-Guy for more information.

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. Open House is on Wednesday, August 15 at 9:00am. Classes begin on Tuesday, September 4. If you know someone who might be interested, please have them contact the church at 704-636-1595 or office@thyatirapresbyterian.org for information and registration form.

HOMECOMING IS COMING!: On Sunday, August 12, we celebrate our Annual Homecoming. We'll welcome Thyatirans from near and far, and feast both at the Communion Table and at the Covered Dish meal following worship. Invite friends!

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Today	8:00am	Men of the Church Breakfast
	9:00am	Deacon, Session and Safety & Security Meeting
	9:30am	Children's Choir (Big Kids)
	9:30am	The Happy Place
	9:50am	Children's Preschool Choir
	10:00am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:00am	Worship
	12:15pm	Adult Choir
Monday	6:30pm	Boy Scouts
Wednesday	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
Thursday	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
Friday	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
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THE SESSION

Moderator The Rev. Stacey Steck
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Class of 2018

Beth Bates
Janet Lambert
Sandra Swanson
Keith Vaughan

Class of 2019

David Hall
Norma Lauder
Eric Rouse
Juanita Turner

Class of 2020

Robin Luther
Doug Patterson
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Brian Waller

Elder Emeriti. Jim Albright

THE DIACONATE

Chairman of the Diaconate. Paul Gaylor

Class of 2018

Eddie Bell
Mike Connolly
Ted Fuller
Paul Gaylor
Ryan Sloop

Class of 2019

Jeremy Deal
Jada Ware-Guy
Daniel Milam
Aaron Richmond
Steven Wetmore

Class of 2020

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Randall Patterson
Paul Rogers
AJ Waller
Ben Watts

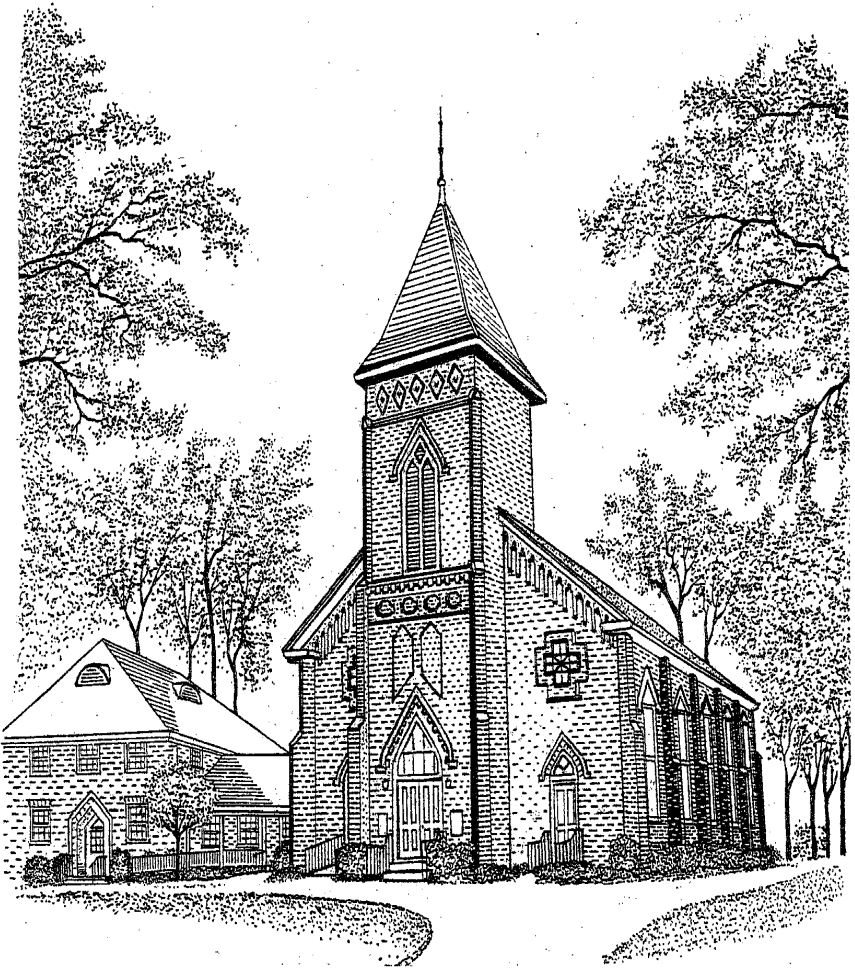
CONTACT PERSONS

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WELCOME

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