

HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOOD NEWS

The Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time
September 2, 2018

CALL TO REVERENCE

PRELUDE “Father, In Thy Mysterious Presence Kneeling” Bingham

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: A time set apart,

All: A time to come together;

One: A space filled with silence

All: A space filled with song;

One: Hearts seeking solace,

All: Hearts overflowing with joy:

One: This is the day the Lord has made.

All: Let us worship God.

*HYMN #610

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

*PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

O Holy God, we know we have fallen short.

We turn our backs when we could embrace.

We remain silent when we could speak.

We speak when we could listen.

We close the door when we could fling it wide open.

We judge when we could seek understanding.

We cling when we could give.

Forgive us, O God, for being so very human at times, and help us to continue to grow into the people you created us to be, through Christ our Lord, in whom we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, hear the Good News: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God! Alleluia. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*HYMN #623

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST LESSON

James 1:17-27

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

One: This too is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM “Dona Nobis Pacem”

Trad.

SERMON “Right Idea, Dubious Application”

Stacey Steck

*HYMN #500

“Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread”

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

OUR OFFERING

Offertory: “Blest Be The Tie That Binds”
* Doxology
* Prayer

Young
Hymnal, #606

*HYMN #756

“O God of Every Nation”

*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

“Work, For The Night Is Coming”

Young

*Those who are able, please stand.

Some resources used in today’s service are adapted from lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com
and holdfasttowhatisgood.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: **September Team** – Ben Watts (Captain), Ted Fuller, Paul Rogers, Jada Ware-Guy

LITURGIST: **Today** – Millicent Hoffner **Next Sunday** – Melissa Kluttz

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 – Jessica Swanson, Melissa Kluttz

Next Sunday – Alice Sloop, Robin Luther

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

Today – Melissa Waller

Next Sunday – Robin Luther, Leigh Anne Wetmore

GENEROSITY UPDATE: For the month of August we reached 72% of our monthly goal. September is a new month. Can we reach our goal? Thanks for helping us to share the Good News!

GRATTITUDE 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

At Home: JoAnn Kerr

- The family of Ruby Erwin following her death on August 28
- Jimmy Hoffner's family, following the death of Jimmy's father, Bill
- Phares and Harold Sechler
- The family of Jeanie Walton Jacobs
- John Steele, at home
- Juanita Turner, recovering from surgery on her hand
- 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 and osteoporosis
- 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: Sept 3 Daniel Milam
Sept 4 Frances Goodnight
Sept 5 David Lambert
Sept 8 Daniel Wetmore

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: A meeting of the Congregation will be held following worship on Sunday, September 9 for the purpose of approving Thyatira Memorial Association expenditures for 2018. Please plan to stay for this brief meeting.

MEN OF THE CHURCH & DEACONS: There will be no Men of the Church Breakfast or Deacon's meeting Sunday, September 2 due to Labor Day weekend.

ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES WEST FUNDRAISER: Saturday, September 8, 10:00am-2:30pm at McLaughlin's Farmhouse, 15725 Mooresville Rd, Mooresville, NC 28115. Serving fresh grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, chips, and drinks. RHM receives 10% of all sales in the store on that day. Please come out and support the outreach efforts of RHM-West.

2018-2019 THYATIRA PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION: Preschool starts on Tuesday, September 4 and we do still have a few openings in the 3's class and one in the 4's class. The 2 year old class has been filled. If you know someone who might be interested in registering, please have them contact the church at 704-636-1595 or office@thyatirapresbyterian.org for information and registration form.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Today	9:30am	The Happy Place
	10:00am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:00am	Worship with Communion
Monday		Labor Day-Office Closed
Tuesday	8:15am	1 st Day of Preschool
Wednesday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
Thursday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
	7:00pm	Finance Meeting
Friday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
Next Sunday	8:30am	Session 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
	12:00pm	Congregational Meeting following service
	6:30pm	Adult Choir

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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
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Juanita Turner

Class of 2020

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Brian Waller

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Jada Ware-Guy
Daniel Milam
Aaron Richmond
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Randall Patterson
Paul Rogers
AJ Waller
Ben Watts

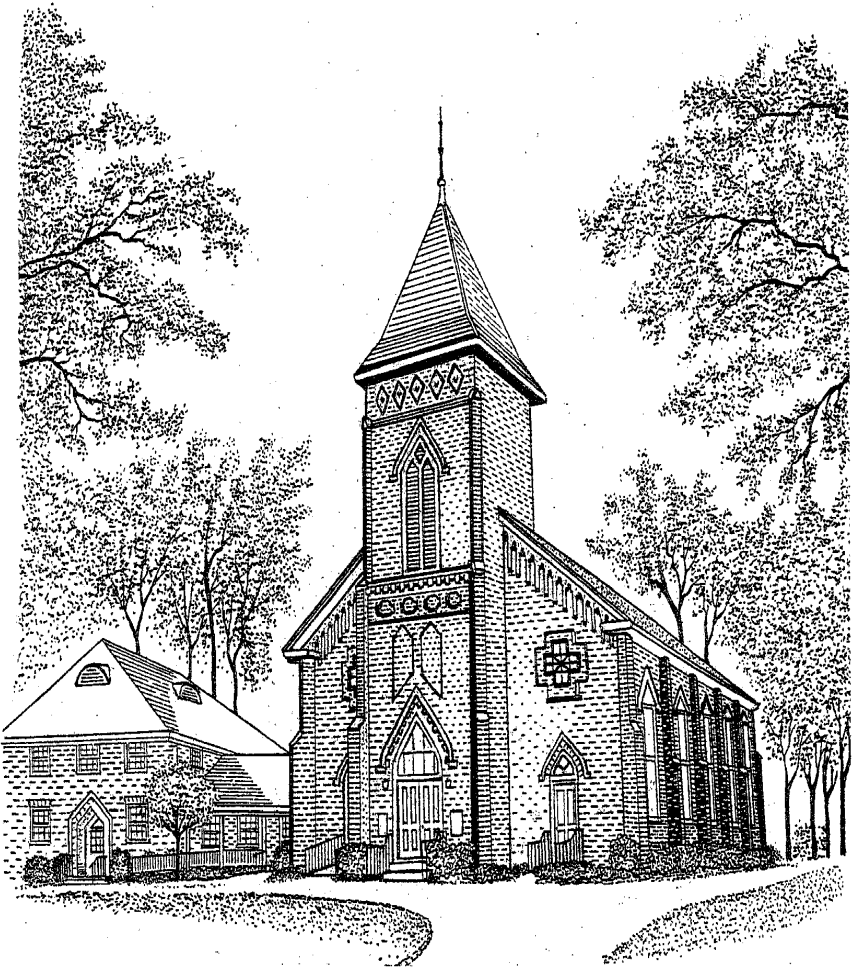
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WELCOME

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