

# ORDER FOR WORSHIP

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY OCTOBER 1, 2017

CALL TO REVERENCE AND LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

VIDEO PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* OPENING SONG "You Are My All in All" #519

*You are my strength when I am weak;  
You are the treasure that I seek;  
You are my all in all.  
When I fall down, you pick me up;  
When I am dry, you fill my cup;  
You are my all in all.  
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!  
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: From every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages,  
the faithful cry out in a loud voice:

**All: *Salvation belongs to our God, and to the Lamb!***

One: We truly understand that God shows no partiality,

**All: *In every nation anyone who is in awe of God and does  
what is right is accepted by God.***

One: Whoever welcomes one such child in Christ's name  
welcomes Christ;

**All: *And whoever welcomes others welcomes our Creator  
who sent us Jesus.***

One: Come, let us gather in prayer, meditation and song, breaking  
bread as we worship our God;

**All: *Come, let us celebrate our God who created all and  
welcomes all to the table of life!***

\* HYMN #401 "Here In This Place"

\* PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

One: Holy God, forgive our deceptions—of others and of ourselves.

**(*Silence is observed*)**

One: Forgive our greed or possessiveness.

**(*Silence is observed*)**

One: Forgive our lack of imagination.

**(*Silence is observed*)**

One: Forgive our failure to trust you fully.

**(*Silence is observed*)**

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, hear the good news: In Jesus Christ, there is no  
condemnation. There is only grace.

**All: *Thanks be to God for the grace that leads to freedom. Amen.***

\* SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG & YOUNGER DISCIPLES

"Zacchaeus"

Trad.

"Praise Him"

Trad.

\* HYMN #370 "This Is My Father's World"

FIRST LESSON

Philippians 2:1-13

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:23-32

One: This too is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "When In Our Music God Is Glorified" Hopson

SERMON "The Upsidedown Feast" Stacey Steck

\* HYMN #526 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation and Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution and the Breaking of the Bread

The Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion (Unison)

***Gracious God, we give thanks for this feast of grace and ask you to help us make it a moveable feast that we share with others wherever we go in the name of your son, Jesus Christ, in whom we pray. Amen.***

OUR OFFERING

Offertory: "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us" Jones

\* 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 #192 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

\* BENECTION

Congregational Response

#318, vs. 1

***In Christ there is no east or west***

***In him no south or north,***

***But one great fellowship of love***

***Throughout the whole wide earth.***

\* POSTLUDE "Lift High The Cross" Busarow

\*Those who are able, please stand.

Some resources used in today's service from [rev-o-lution.com](http://rev-o-lution.com) and [lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com](http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com)

**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.

**COME TO THE FEAST!:** Please join us for a Covered Dish Meal in Fellowship Hall following the service. All are welcome!

**LITURGIST:** Today – Janet Lambert  
Next Week – Leigh Anne Wetmore

**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 – Melissa Waller, Ashley Wilkie

Next Sunday – Selena Bell

**GENEROSITY UPDATE:** We closed the month of September at 109% of our monthly goal. Thank you so much!

**HURRICANE RELIEF:** If you would like to make an offering to help Presbyterian Disaster Assistance in Hurricane Maria relief efforts, please place it (designated) in the offering plate.

# JOYS AND CONCERNS

## THYATIRA PRAYER CONCERNS

<u>Brightmoor Nursing Center:</u>	Frank Fuller
<u>Lutheran Home:</u>	Mullie Varner
<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 Bo Deal

- Bill Hall, undergoing chemotherapy and radiation
- The situation in Puerto Rico following the hurricane
- A friend of Keith Townsend, being treated for cancer
- Families facing challenges
- Tom Turner, recovering from back surgery
- Joyce Caldwell is recovering from a fall
- Kathy Allen, recovering from bone marrow transplant
- Stacey's friend, Joe Hunter, recovering from by-pass surgery
- Mary Deal's sister, Margaret, being treated for an infection
- The mother of a friend of Debbie Edwards
- Betty Morgan, sister of Ruth Albright, recovering after serious car accident
- Ruth Albright recovering at home after a fall
- Alice Sloop's friend, Nancy, under hospice care
- Mike Hawkins' mother, Elizabeth, in rehab at Liberty Commons following a stroke
- Linda Gaylor's mother, Barbara
- Jay Foster, a nine-year-old with heart issues
- Ada Jo Sloop, serving in the Peace Corps
- OC Shoaf
- 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
- 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
- Jimmy's mother and father, Ernestine & Bill Hoffner
- Paul Rogers' daughter and family in Pakistan
- The Raymer family serving in Africa

### **Wednesday Evening Prayer, Song, & Study**

All are invited Wednesday evenings at 6:30 to engage in an hour in prayer, song, and study. We'll gather in the Sanctuary to give thanks to God for giving us Jesus Christ, the light of the world, to pray for the joys and concerns of our hearts and the world, and to reflect on a passage of Scripture. Bring your Bible. Please join us!



For more information, please contact Pastor Stacey at 704-636-1595.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

## **BIRTHDAYS:**

October 1 - Aaron Davis  
2 - Ayden Best  
3 - Ronney Steele, Griffin Rouse  
4 - Caroline Waller  
5 - Phares Sechler  
7 - Landon Beard

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR:** The Big Kids Children's Choir will meet Sundays at 9:30am and the Preschoolers will meet at 10:00am during Sunday School.

**90<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION:** Roselind (Ronney) Steele invites her church family to celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 7 at Oak Park Activity Room, 548 White Oaks Drive, from 3:00pm - 5:00pm. No presents please – Just come!

## **HAPPENING THIS WEEK:**

Today	INVITE-A-FRIEND SUNDAY
	8:00am Men of the Church Breakfast
	9:00am Deacon's Meeting
	9:30am Children's Choir (Big Kids) & The Happy Place
	10:00am Sunday School for All Ages
	11:00am Worship / Communion
	12:00pm Covered Dish Meal
	6:30pm Adult Choir
Monday	8:15am Preschool
	6:30pm Boy & Cub Scouts
	7:00pm Nominating Committee Meeting
Tuesday	8:15am Preschool
Wednesday	8:15am Preschool
	6:30pm Prayer, Song, & Study
Thursday	8:15am Preschool
	6:30pm Girl Scouts @ Patterson Farm
	7:30pm Finance Committee Meeting
Friday	8:15am Preschool
Next Sunday	9:30am Children's Choir (Big Kids) & The Happy Place
	10:00am Sunday School for All Ages
	11:00am Worship
	5:00pm Youth – RHM Mission Project
	6:30pm Adult Choir