

# ORDER FOR WORSHIP

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 8, 2017

CALL TO REVERENCE AND LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRELUDE "Prelude in G Minor" J.S. Bach

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!  
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\* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come because we want to know God, who seeks to shape us as faithful people.

**All: *Not that we already are, but we strive to be the community of grace.***

One: We come because we want to know Jesus, who would plant justice deep in our hearts.

**All: *Not that we always do, but we seek to welcome each person.***

One: We come because we want to know the Spirit, who shines hope on all people.

**All: *Not that we always are able, but we seek to share the light of peace in our world. Let us share that light as we worship God.***

\* HYMN #32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

\* PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

*Holy God, we come before you in humility, for we do not live as we ought. We do not love you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We do not love our neighbor as ourselves. So we pray, in all humility, that you will change our hearts and minds, that you will show us again how to love others the way you love us, that you will put power and courage in our hearts to do your will. This we pray in Jesus' name and for his sake. Amen.*

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, hear the good news: In Jesus Christ, we have received both forgiveness for our sins, and power to lead new lives.

**All: *Thanks be to God for turning us in a new direction. Amen.***

\* SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

A MOMENT FOR GENEROSITY Carly Moore

\* HYMN #724 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

FIRST LESSON Psalm 69:7-18

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 10:24-39

One: This too is the Word of the Lord.

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

ANTHEM "Come and Find the Quiet Center" Murray

SERMON "A Sword for Peace" Alicia Wilson

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

OUR OFFERING

Offertory: "Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness" Cruger

\* 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 #720 "Jesus Calls Us"

\* BENEDICTION

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 "Postlude on "Festal Song"" Young

\*Those who are able, please stand.

Some resources used in today's service from [holdfasttowhatisgood.com](http://holdfasttowhatisgood.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.

**LITURGIST:** Today – Leigh Anne Wetmore  
Next Week – Phares Sechler

**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

Next Sunday – Jada Ware-Guy, Flora Calderón-Steck

**GUEST MINISTER:** We welcome the Rev. Alicia Wilson. She grew up at First Presbyterian in Salisbury. After graduating from Furman University, she served for a year as a Presbyterian Young Adult Volunteer in Atlanta. She completed her M.Div. at Columbia Seminary and her M.S.W. at the University of Georgia. Previously worked as a hospital chaplain and as the program director at a homeless outreach center. She currently serves in validated ministry as a clinical social worker with the Levine Cancer Institute.

**GUEST ORGANIST:** We welcome Robert Wilson who is filling in for Ron today.

**GENEROSITY UPDATE:** We have reached 21% of the monthly goal the first week in October.

**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

- Tom Long, receiving treatment for cancer, friend of Charles Newsome
- Evaun Bulman, friend of Sharry Davis, undergoing cancer treatment
- 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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

## **BIRTHDAYS:**

October 9 – Debbie Edwards, Tom Hall  
11 – Jada Ware-Guy  
12 – Grady King  
13 – Jonathan Graham, Jaymes Graham  
14 – Catherine Wolfingbarger

**FALL FESTIVAL:** Saturday, October 28, 5:00pm - 8:00pm, the youth will sponsor our annual Fall Festival. Come and enjoy the cake walk, trunk or treat, and a hot dog dinner. For more information you may contact Alex Bouk at 704-402-7151.

**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.

## **HAPPENING THIS WEEK:**

Today	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
Monday	8:15am	Preschool
	6:30pm	Boy & Cub Scouts
Tuesday	8:15am	Preschool
Wednesday	8:15am	Preschool
	6:30pm	Prayer, Song, & Study
Thursday	8:15am	Preschool
Friday	8:15am	Preschool
Next Sunday	8:30am	Session
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## **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.