

HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOOD NEWS

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 10, 2019

CALL TO REVERENCE

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Battle Hymn of the Republic” arr. Hammer

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The God who is greater than we will ever understand,

All: is humbled to become one of us.

One: The God who is more loving than our hearts dare imagine,

All: gives us more grace than we ever realize.

One: The God who is wiser than we will ever know,

All: teaches us all we need to become God's children.

One: The God who is worthy or our praise awaits.

All: Let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN #611

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

*PRAYERS OF CONFESSION (*Silently and personally, and then in unison*)

Holy God, we are so easily confused by what the world tells us that we forget the stories of faith we heard as children. We are so fearful of tomorrow, we are not aware of your Spirit with us today. We are so busy worrying about worst-case scenarios that we cannot hear the promises you whisper to us. So once again, Gracious God, have mercy on us. You know our hearts so well - touch them with your grace. You see our deepest fears - heal them with your peace. You hear our secret longings - speak to them of your hope. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The One who searches our broken hearts has found the way to mend them and make us new people. The good news is that everything God has done in Christ is for us, that we might be made whole.

All: With kindness and with justice, God makes us new people. We will sing our thanks through all eternity. Great is God and greatly to be praised! Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Millicent Hoffner

*HYMN #612

“We Praise You, O God”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GOOD NEWS OF THE WEEK

ANTHEM “God Bless America”

Berlin

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 32:1-7

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 19:1-10

One: This too is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Ada Jo Sloop

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

OUR OFFERING

Offertory "Simple Gifts"

arr. Hammer

* Doxology

Hymnal, #606

* Prayer

*HYMN #697, vs. 1-2, 5-6

"Take My Life"

*BENEDICTION

Congregational Response, #539, vs. 1

"We Will Go Out With Joy"

One: We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God.

All: We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God.

Alleluia! We will go out with joy.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God.

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Americana"

arr. Hammer

*Those who are able, please stand.

Some resources used in today's service are adapted from childrensdefense.org

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.

WE WELCOME ADA JO SLOOP to Thyatira's pulpit to share about her experience with the Peace Corps in Uganda.

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

LITURGIST: **This Sunday** – Melissa Kluttz

Next Sunday – Debbie Edwards

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 – Debbie Edwards, Janet Lambert

Next Sunday – Melissa Waller, Leigh Anne Wetmore

GENEROSITY UPDATE: After the first Sunday in November, we reached 25% 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

- Joyce Caldwell, recovering from hip surgery
- Fred Stamper, under hospice care
- Martha Simerson's grandson, recovering following a car accident
- Cindy, Kaye Hawkins' cousin, diagnosed with cancer
- Communities affected by Hurricane Dorian
- Kitty Harris, recovering from hip injury
- Linda Albright
- Families affected by gun violence
- Barbara Karriker, Joyce Caldwell's cousin, diagnosed with cancer
- Whitaker Raymer, being treated for leukemia
- Mike Hawkins, ongoing health issues
- Drema Clemens' brother, Arthur Warden
- Edna Stamper
- 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

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 three 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.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Nov 11 Stacey Steck

Nov 13 Skylar Grace Bell

Nov 14 Claudia Patterson, Victoria Patterson

Nov 15 Miranda Belk

Nov 16 Michael Fuller, Bob Freeman

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

GRIEFSHARE: SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS: The upcoming holidays can be tough for those who have lost a loved one, but there's help! Thyatira's GriefShare support group ministry presents a special two-hour seminar that offers support and suggestions to make it through the holidays. Please share the word about this important event that takes place on Sunday, November 17 beginning at 4:00 p.m. For more information, contact Pastor Stacey at 704-245-8100.

WRBTA FUNDRAISER: West Rowan Bible Teaching Association is selling sweet potatoes, 10lbs for \$10. Pay when you pick-up. Text orders to 704-640-2455, orders due by Monday, November 18 and pickup Thursday, November 21 4:00pm-5:30pm at West Rowan High School Ag Building. You may also give a \$10 donation to have a box of sweet potatoes delivered to Rowan Helping Ministries. All proceeds will go to WRBTA.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Today	9:30am	Happy Place
	9:30am	Children's Choir (Big Kids)
	10:00am	Children's Choir (Preschool)
	10:00am	Sunday School for all ages
	11:00am	Worship
	6:30pm	Adult Choir
Monday		Veterans Day – Preschool Closed
Tuesday	8:15am	Preschool
Wednesday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
	6:00pm	Educational Partnership Meeting
	7:00pm	Prayer, Song & Study
	8:00pm	Feasibility Team Meeting
Thursday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
Friday	8:15am	Preschool
	11:00am	Meals on Wheels
Next Sunday	8:30am	Session Meeting
	9:30am	Happy Place
	9:30am	Children's Choir (Big Kids)
	10:00am	Children's Choir (Preschool)
	10:00am	Sunday School for all ages
	11:00am	Worship
	4:00pm	GriefShare (Parlor)
	6:30pm	Adult Choir
	6:30pm	Confirmation Class (Parlor)

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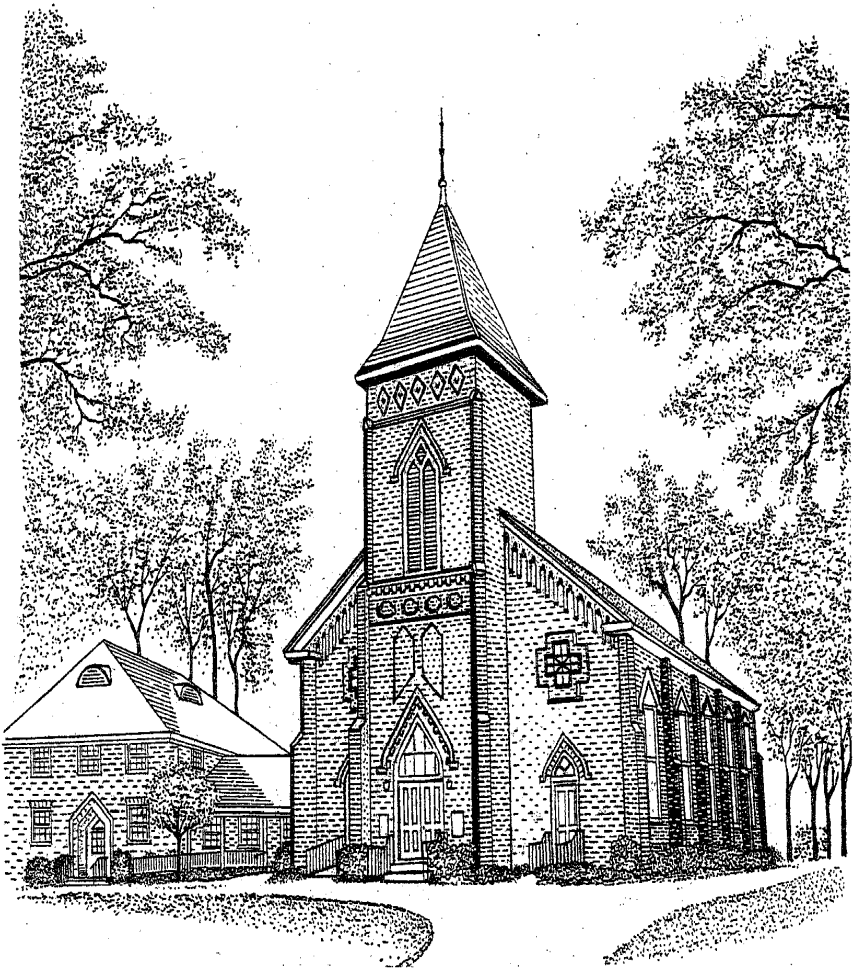
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