

*(All believing Christians are invited to share in the Lord's Supper, regardless of church affiliation.)*

## Communion Music

*Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound*  
arr. Douglas E. Wagner

**One:** The bread which we break is our communion in the Body  
of Christ.

**All:** **The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is our  
Communion in the blood of Christ. Amen.**

\*Benediction (see bulletin insert)

\*Closing Hymn "Are Ye Able," Said the Master No. 621  
(vs. 1, 3, 4)

*(After worship, a serving elder will be available at the back of each side aisle for personal prayer)*

Postlude Festive Postlude on "Llanfair"  
by Mary McDonald  
David Williams, organ

*\*All who are able, please stand*

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, July 23, 2023

*Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.*

Prelude *Beacon Hill* arr. Larry F. Pugh  
David Williams, organ

Words of Welcome Vicky Woolridge

Introit

\*Opening Hymn *Let the Whole Creation Cry* (vs. 1, 2) No. 21

\*Responsive Reading Tom Ritter

Leader: We open our ears. We open our minds. We open our hearts, O God, to hear your word.

**People: But you have called us to do more than hear your word.**

Leader: You have called us to be doers of the word.

**People: We open our arms, outstretched and ready to serve.**

Leader: Empower us to be your tangible touch of love in this world.

**All: We thank you and praise you for calling us to serve.**

\*Invocation

\*Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come.**

**Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever, Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri No. 35

A Time for All God's Children Vicky Woolridge

Prayer Hymn *Amazing Grace* (vs. 1, 3, 4) No. 546

Pastoral Prayer Scott Woolridge

(8:00) Prayer Response  
(10:30) Special music, David Williams and Karen Driver

Offertory Invitation

\*Doxology No. 46

\*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, David Williams and Karen Driver

(10:30) Anthem *A Lord-Built House* Roger Lentz

Introduction of Rev. Bruce Fowlkes Vicky Woolridge

Scripture Reading Rev. Bruce Fowlkes  
James 1:17-27 Pgs. 229 NT

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *"Though I May Speak ..."* Rev. Bruce Fowlkes

Invitation to Discipleship

\*Communion Hymn *He Touched Me* No. 564

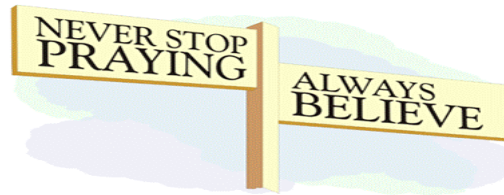
*(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this Hymn of Communion.)*

Meditation Gretchen Kirby

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration Jeannie Backes

# Prayer List



Last updated 07/21/2023

## Members

Evelyn Sanders  
Gretchen Barron  
Jill Johnson  
Lawrence Thicksten  
Shane Garver  
Peggy Garrett  
Ed Adams  
Denise Swarthout  
Derald Hartley  
Sue Burkham  
Don Boyd  
The Family of Larry Pepper  
Jim Hoffert  
Gene Guthrie  
Wayne Rutherford  
Jud Pease and family

## We Pray for Those in the Military:

Bobby Backes (nephew of Keith & Jeannie Backes)  
Katy & Matt Holden (granddaughter &  
grandson-in-law of Nancy Ellen Taylor)  
Phillip Johnston (son of Becky Johnston)  
Mitchell Lucas (grandson of Nancy Ellen Taylor)  
Jeremiah & Rachel Singletary  
(great-nephew of Marilyn Ward)  
Preston Wade (son of Larry & Karen Wade)  
Lucas Ward (grandson of Marilyn Ward)  
Ryan Smithson (grandson of Jim & Vicki Fitzpatrick)

## Members in Nursing Home & Assisted Living

Doris McArty (Imboden Creek)  
Arlene Penn (Imboden Creek)  
Nancy Turner (Imboden Creek)  
Merle Chapman (Imboden Creek Gardens)  
Elaine Hynds (Imboden Creek Gardens)  
Wanda Poisel (Imboden Creek Gardens)  
Marilyn Riley (Randall Residence)  
Glen & Arlone Dalluge (Randall Residence)  
Barb Tyler (Tanglewood)  
Joan Smith (Heritage Health)  
Bess King (The Glenwood)  
Bob & Chloe Hoaglin (Vonderlieth)  
Jean Goretzke (Primrose)  
Nancy Taylor (Primrose)  
Bob & Peggy Garrett (Primrose)  
Morris Birkhead (Villas at Hollybrook)  
Marilyn Ward (Courtyard Estates)

## Friends & Family

Misty Mochel (friend of Marci Baumann)  
Shannon Francisco (friend of Bob Smith)  
Michael Moran (son-in-law of Larry &  
Marla Winkleblack)  
Jim Nuernberger (friend of Jim & Debbie Hoffert)  
Harriette York (mother of David York)  
Ron Price (brother of Debbie Hoffert)  
Jane Spires (friend of many CCC members)  
Debbie Seitz (friend of Julie & Ken Jacoby)  
Linda & Wayne Mollohan (friends of  
Nancy Ellen Taylor)  
Mark Demoulin (son of Jahala Demoulin)  
Bob & Jane Campbell (brother & sister-in-law  
of Bruce Campbell)  
Quentin Wilmot (brother of Kevin Wilmot)  
Matt Andrews (son-in-law of Jean Maggioncalda)  
Karen Roppa (friend of Donna Dash)  
Ruth & Randy Helm (friends of Donna Dash)  
Keith Osborne (brother of Jan Dobbs)  
Tom & Betty Smith (friends of Maria Jacobs)  
Shannon Borntreger (son of Kathy Kauzlarich)  
Tracy Cearlock (friend of Brett Swallow)  
Bob & Jean Lucas (friends of Nancy Ellen Taylor)  
Sally Pease (friend of Nancy Ellen Taylor)  
Dixie Dixon (friend of Linda Virgil)  
Sandy Schaick (friend of Lucy Acheson)  
Matt Bean & family (friend of Erik & Carly Barnes)  
Yamile Leyva (friend of Maria Jacobs)  
Cecelia Adams (family of Ed & Joy Adams)  
Scott Adams (family of Ed & Joy Adams)  
Bill & Nanette Frank (friends to many CCC members)  
Larry Baker (friend of Keith Backes & David Wagner)  
The family of Cheri Russell (friend of Central)  
David Demoulin (grandson of Jahala Demoulin)  
Teri Goodman (friend of Bruce & Liz Campbell)

**James 1:17-27 NRSVUE**

<sup>17</sup> Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup> In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave birth to us by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. <sup>19</sup> You must understand this, my beloved brothers and sisters: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger, <sup>20</sup> for human anger does not produce God's righteousness. <sup>21</sup> Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. <sup>22</sup> But be doers of the word and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. <sup>23</sup> For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; <sup>24</sup> for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. <sup>25</sup> But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. <sup>26</sup> If any think they are religious and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. <sup>27</sup> Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

**A Prayer for Sabbatical – One God, One Church**

God of Oneness,

In this time of sabbatical, may we rest in you, finding quiet that connects us with you in deeper ways.

May we be present to you with open hearts and minds, trusting you to show us the way to peace.

May we be present to one another with gentleness and understanding, seeking to be more loving and authentic.

May we hold Michael in our love and prayers, that he may commune with you, O God,

and find what you have already prepared for him to receive.

May our time of distance be one of renewed commitment to our shared ministry.

We pray with thanksgiving and hope, in Your holy name. Amen.

**Serving Schedules**

**Today**

Elders: Jeannie Backes, Gretchen Kirby

July Prep Deacons: Krista & Sid Rohrscheib

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Debbie Hoffert, Mike Munos

10:30 - Cole Shartzter, Kevin Wilmot

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 4 - Hazel Perry, Capt., Karen Penn, Charlotte Ballance

10:30 - Team 9 - Kim Miller, Capt., Audrey Miller

Greeters:

8:00 - Carolyn McCall & Gail Prince

10:30 - Mary Jane & Ron Oliver

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Keith Backes

Liturgist: Tom Ritter

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**Next Sunday, July 30, 2023**

Elders: Janet Lyman, Brett Swallow

July Prep Deacons: Krista & Sid Rohrscheib

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Carolyn McCall

10:30 - Christine Lyman-Harm, Tom Ritter

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 5 - Mike Munos, Capt., Gerri Munos, Brad Munos,  
Brittney Moran, Bobby Munos, Julia Zmucki, Blair Moran

10:30 - Team 9 - Kim Miller, Capt., Audrey Miller

Greeters:

8:00 - Gene & Sandy Garver

10:30 - Andy & Theresa Fulk

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Mike Kirby

Liturgist: Janet Lyman