Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost. Liturgical color is green.

Attendance Last Sunday:

In-Class Sunday School 47 In-Person Worship 91

Greeters Today: Desi & Gail Williams

Next Sunday: Sandie Harris

Security Team: Ron Bazhaw, Michael Brady, Jim Holt, Sandie Harris,

Barry Norris, David Robb, and Desi Williams

Sound: Denny Spencer

Facebook Live Stream: Kylie Spencer

**Your Gifts** 

Last Budget Deposit:

\$6,032.75

Total:

\$197,097.54

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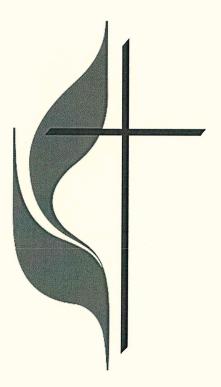
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## **BETHLEHEM** UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CLIMAX, NORTH CAROLINA



September 19, 2021

## Prayer Concerns

## Please keep these friends in your prayers:

Ongoing **Immediate** Vicky Alexander Charles Frye Martha Boren **Betty Hull** Suzie Branch Bill Jones Edna Coble Jimmie Jones

Fred Cook Wayne & Ruby Kirkman Jane Dunham Nancy Kivett

Cory Fields Mike McClintock Elaine Flinchum Dickie Parks Melba Fulghum Barbara Riddle

**Kelsey Garrett** Sandy Russell (Friend of Londa Parks)

R.W. Hinshaw Preston Ryan

**Ruby Hockett** Jimmy & Ann Shoemaker (Friends of Londa)

Francis Snow

Mary May (Karen Holt's mom) Jamie O'Daniel James Surratt (Sandie Harris' dad)

Our Homebound Wes Taylor

Amber & Brandon Thompson

Julia Willis

This morning we welcome Emerson Grace Windsor into our community of faith through infant baptism.

Congratulations to Dale & Jennifer Young. Luke Andrew Young was born on Friday, September 3rd, 2021. He came a little bit early and is still in the NICU. Baby Luke will be welcomed home by his big sister, Jenahlee and his big brother, Matthew.

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Pamela Jean (Mayberry) Darnell. Pam graduated to the Church Triumphant on Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Our prayers are with the family.

Welcome all who worship here! We pray you experience God's Holy Spirit in a new way as we worship together. Visitors, please be sure to fill out the visitor card and place it in one of the offering boxes.

## ENTERING INTO FELLOWSHIP

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

\*Call to Worship More Precious than Silver

\*Opening Prayer

\*Opening Hymn Now Thank We All Our God No. 102

Screen

SHARING OURSELVES WITH GOD

Children's Message

Infant Baptism Emerson Grace Windsor

Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer/ The Lord's Prayer

Gloria Patri No. 71

THE WORD OF GOD CHANGING OUR LIVES

Scripture Luke 16:1-13

Sermon "Two Masters" Rev. A.C. Brock

OUR THANKSGIVING AND RESPONSE

Offering Prayer

GOING FORTH FOR GOD

\*Closing Hymn Take My Life and Let It Be No. 399

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response The Family Prayer Song (Vs. 1) Screen

\*Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able.

We welcome Rev. A.C. Brock back to the pulpit this Sunday! A.C. served as the pastor at Bethlehem from 2005 – 2012; he will be preaching again next Sun., Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>.

Welcome back to Bethlehem, A.C.!

PASTOR'S HOURS: Pastor Debra will be taking vacation time from Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>. During that time she will be in the parsonage until September 21<sup>st</sup>. After that, in case of an emergency, please contact: Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> AND Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> – Rev. Mark Weekley (PGUMC); Cell (336)482-1647/Church Phone (336)674-5711. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> - Rev. Matt Morris (Tabernacle UMC); Cell (704)692-8017/Church (336)674-2941.

**FROM ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL**— Guilford Co. Board of Commissioners has issued a Mask Mandate for public indoor facilities until the county has reached a 70% vaccination rate or when the case positivity rate drops to 5%. This is for all persons regardless of vaccination status. **We have also voted to discontinue the church choir for a period due to mask requirements from the Bishop and Cabinet.** Thank you all for your support and continue to pray for our church.

Sat., 10/2 – Country Store & Bake Sale. Although there will NOT be a Brunswick Stew this year, please plan to contribute & shop on Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>! Needed - vegetables (fresh, canned, & frozen), pumpkins, jams, jellies, preserves, apples, figs, etc. Also, cakes, pies, cookies, breads, muffins, & puddings are needed. Questions – call Ruth Rowland at (336)676-7095. Sign-up lists available in Sunday School classrooms & narthex.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is Monday.** Please submit your items for the October newsletter via email. Send to **bethumcclimax@gmail.com** 

**ARLENE STOKES** – Drop off items (under arbor) for Agape Mins. until 9/26. Needed - new blankets, winter clothing items, & new boots for children, infant to 17 yrs. old. Questions, call Jane Snead (336)674-7593.

ARLENE STOKES - meets Mon., 9/27 at 10:30AM under arbor.

**WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY IS Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Our guest preacher will be District Superintendent, Rev. Bev Coppley.

CROP Walk - Sun., Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Team captain needed. For info call Sandie Harris at (336) 681-1558.

**BETHLEHEM CHILD CARE** – Two Part-time teachers needed (Infant Room & Pre-K.) Hours, 2-6PM. If interested, call Erica at (336) 674-9879 or email her at bethchild91@gmail.com

**REMINDER** – Lesley Song is not currently receiving a salary. If you feel called to give her a financial gift, there is a box in the narthex where your love offering aifts may be left.