

# The Worship of the Lord

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 18, 2023

Gathering Music

Chiming of the Trinity

*(Worship begins with the Voluntary. Please use this time to enjoy the sacred music and to prepare your heart and mind for an encounter with God.)*

Voluntary

Blaine Pittman and Clyde Patterson  
*Faith of our Fathers* arr. Smith/Hustad

Greeting & Announcements

Rev. J. Kenneth Byrd, Jr.

VBS 2023 Reflections

Mr. Pittman and Susan Edwards

Recognition of Fathers

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 19:2-8a

BEDE THE VENERABLE (C. 672 – 735 AD),  
ISRAEL'S TITLES APPLIED TO CHRISTIANS:

*He names them "a royal priesthood" that they may remember both to hope for an eternal kingdom and always to offer to God the sacrifices of a stainless way of life.*  
COMMENTARY ON 1 PETER AT 2.9.

Call to Worship

The love of our Creator God,  
the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

We come to worship our God,  
who has done wonders in our lives.  
We come to follow Jesus,  
Who bears our lives with grace and hope.  
We come to be touched by the Spirit,  
Who brings the presence of our Lord into our midst.  
All: **We lift our voices and Worship the King!**

\*Hymn of Praise

*(16) O Worship the King* LYONS

Psalter Reading: Psalm 100

Mike Page

An Invocation & The 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.*

\*Offertory Hymn

*In Christ Alone*

IN CHRIST ALONE

\*Offertory Prayer

*(Offering plates are placed in the Narthex where you may give as you feel led.)*

Linda Cooper

\*Doxology

OLD 100TH

A Time with Children

*(Afterwards, preschool-3rd grade are invited to Children's Church.)*

Congregational Chorus

*(146) O How He Loves You and Me*

PATRICIA

Joys/Concerns of the Community

Epistle Reading: Romans 5:1-8

A Call to Prayer

At just the right time, when we were still powerless,  
**Christ died for the ungodly.**  
God demonstrates his own love for us in this:  
**While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**  
And we can approach the throne of grace and offer our prayers.

Pastoral Prayer

Worship Through Music

*Lead Me Lord*

Karen Sawyer

arr. Tom Fetteke

Sharing in God's Word

Rev. Byrd

***There is Need Indeed!***

Emphasis Text: Matthew 9:35-10:8

\*Hymn of Commitment

*(486) Lord, Here Am I* BECK  
(stanzas 1 and 3)

\*Expressions of Decisions

\*Sending Forth

JOHN CHRYSOSTOM OF CONSTANTINOPLE (C. 344 – 407 AD),

**IN ALL THE CITIES AND VILLAGES:**

*So do good to your companions not for their sake alone but for God's sake.  
Whatever they may do, do not cease doing them good. Your reward will be  
greater. When you are vilified, if you quit doing good, you signify that you are seeking  
the praise of others, not the praise of God.*  
THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW, HOMILY 32.3.

That you may take authority to travel in Christ's name,  
I bless you!

***We go with Christ!***

Travel lightly,  
lest under the weight of status and possessions  
we come to a standstill.

Travel boldly,  
for we are apostles of a Christ  
who has overcome the worst the world can give.

Travel humbly,  
for as friends of Jesus no service is too menial  
and no person is unworthy of help.

Travel joyfully,  
for when the road is rough and the night dark  
we shall never travel on our own.

***Amen!***

\*Response

*(252) Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

\*Chiming of the Trinity

Postlude

*Faith of our Fathers*

Karen Sawyer

ST. CATHERINE

*\*Congregation stands, who are able*

All scripture readings are from *The Holy Bible, New Revised Standard Version.*

## **The Ministry of Worship**

The Rev. J. Kenneth Byrd, Jr., Pastor  
Blaine Pittman, Director of Music and Education  
Karen Sawyer, Church Musician  
Clyde Patterson, Organist

## **Today**

**Deacons:** Mike Page & Linda Cooper

**Children's Church:** Kelle Joyner

**Toddlers:** Mallory Joyner

## **TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS**

**The flowers are placed in the sanctuary to  
the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Jesse Smith by Healon Smith & children.**



**Member Prayer Request:**

Tim Bartholomew	Eric Jeffreys	Clark Rounds
Martha Crowell	Sue Jenkins	Healon Smith
Doodle Daniels	Donald Parker	Melba White
Weedie Hayes		

**Prayer On Behalf of Members:**

Harrison Barnett	John Chamblee	Family of Julia
Gail Bunting	Debbie Edwards	Johnson Baker
Gerald Butler	Linda Frazier	Linda Keen
Pam Butler	Rudy Frazier	J.R. McPherson
John Byrd	Pam Gaul	Maryanne Davis Powell
Veda Byrd	Sarah George	Edith Skinner
Brenda Caldwell	Gerald Hale	Carl & Kathy Smith
Faye Carter	Edward Jones, Jr.	Trudy Womack

*In an effort to keep our prayer list current, we will place names on the prayer list for a two week period. If you wish for a name to remain longer than two weeks, please contact the church office.*

**Nan Strickland Flower Ministry to Homebound:**

Donations to this ongoing ministry should be designated as Missions/Flower Ministry.

The next opportunity to assist with flower arranging and delivery is **Friday, June 23, 2023 at 10 a.m.** in the fellowship hall.

**Homebound & Nursing Home Ministry:**

Wilbur Batchelor	Weedie Hayes	Donald Parker
Patsy Carty	Beulah Hudson	Pat Parker
Martha Crowell	Annie Jackson	Edith Skinner
Doris Fisher	Bill Joyner	Melba White
	June Joyner	

**Card Ministry to the Homebound:**

Each week, we rotate the names of two homebound members as part of our Card Ministry Outreach. Please consider sending a card or handwritten note to the following two members:

**Edith Skinner**

**Melba White**

We appreciate you reaching out to members who are no longer able to worship with us in person!

**2023 Financial Summary for 24 Weeks**

Financial information is not shared online.



**Summer Fellowship & Devotional**

During the summer months, join us for a time of fellowship followed by a devotion led by different NBC members at 9 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Volunteers are needed to lead the devotions. (Devotional material will be provided.)  
A sign-up sheet will be available in the Fellowship Hall and the Narthex.

**ARC Blood Drive**  
**Monday, June 19, 2023**  
**2 - 6 p.m.**

To donate blood: [redcross.org/give-blood](http://redcross.org/give-blood)  
To volunteer: shift sign-up in the Fellowship Hall

**June Mission Emphasis**  
*Your Choice*  
**Resource Center**

Fill baby bottles with loose change & bring them back on Sunday, June 25.

Baby bottles are available to be picked up in the Fellowship Hall.

*The Wilson Church Musician's Guild presents...*  
**HYMN FESTIVAL**

**We Gather Together**  
*Psalms, Hymns, & Spiritual Songs*

Sunday, June 25, 2023  
4:00 p.m.  
*Forest Hills Baptist Church*  
1407 Forest Hills Rd NW  
Wilson, NC 27896

*Item of the Month*      **June**

**Grits, Oatmeal, Pop-Tarts, Cereal**



There is Need Indeed!