The Worship of the Lord

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 30, 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

Karen Sawyer and Clyde Patterson Give Me Jesus arr. Ralph Manuel

Greeting & Announcements

Brenda Viverette

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 29:15-28

Blaine Pittman

Call to Worship

Taylor Long

We come to this place with different needs: some of us wrestling with issues that threaten to overwhelm us; some of us crying out for healing, for relevance, for refuge; some of us hungering for what God alone can provide. In this time and in this place, God is here and meets us face to face.

*Hymn of Praise

(54) Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Psalter Reading: Psalm 105:1-11, 45b

Mrs. Viverette

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

*Offertory Prayer

(387) Blest Be the Tie

DENNIS

Mike Page

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

*Doxology Old 100TH

A Time with Children

Lvnette Street

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

Congregational Chorus

(579) Shine, Jesus, Shine (refrain)

SHINE

Joys/Concerns of the Community

Jane Hedgepeth

New Testament Reading: Romans 8:26-39

Ms. Long

A Call to Prayer

When we are not sure how to pray, or if we are even able to address God in prayer, the Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words.

Know that no matter what, nothing, absolutely nothing can ever separate us from God's presence and His love.

Think on this as we pray . . .

Pastoral Prayer

Worship Through Music

Liz Trumpower

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Janet Sanborn

Sharing in God's Word

Ms. Long

Small, Great Things

Emphasis Text: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

*Hymn of Commitment

(282) Living for Jesus (stanzas 1 and 3)

LIVING

*Expressions of Decisions

*Sending Forth

Postlude

*Chiming of the Trinity

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Karen Sawyer
FAITHFULNESS

*Congregation stands, who are able

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

About our Guest Speaker: Taylor Long was born and raised in Clayton, NC, but claims Buies Creek as home. Taylor graduated from Campbell University with a degree in Christian Studies in May of 2022. Following graduation, she started Divinity school at Campbell University and is pursuing a Master's of Divinity degree. Her pursuit of theological education comes from her desire to live into her calling to "journey with people as they explore who they are and how God is at work in the world and in their lives." While in school, Taylor works at Campbell University in the Office of Spiritual Life as a graduate intern for pilgrimage and retreats where she leads students in the practice of pilgrimage as a means of spiritual formation and personal exploration. Thank you Taylor for being at NBC today.

About our Soloist: We are blessed today to have Liz Trumpower joining us for our morning worship service. Liz is from Charlotte, NC, and is a rising junior at East Carolina University where she is double majoring in Vocal Performance and Music Education. Thank you Liz for helping lead us in worship!

The Ministry of Worship

Taylor Long, Guest Speaker
Blaine Pittman, Director of Music and Education
Karen Sawyer, Church Musician
Clyde Patterson, Church Organist

Today

Deacons: Brenda Viverette & Mike Page Children's Church: Brenda Griffin Toddlers: Susan Edwards

2023 Financial Summary for 31 Weeks

The financial summary was not available at time of printing. An update will be available next week.

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary to the glory of God and in memory of our parents Binford & Magaline Bass and Millard & Nan Strickland by Paula & Ross Strickland.



Member Prayer Request:

At time of printing 7/20/23

Weedie Haves Tim Bartholomew Dot Morris Martha Crowell Eric Jeffreys **Donald Parker Doodle Daniels** Family of Melba White Sue Jenkins

Prayer On Behalf of Members:

At time of printing 7/20/23

Harrison Barnett John Chamblee Linda Keen Gail Bunting Debbie Edwards J.R. McPherson Maryanne Davis Powell Gerald Butler Linda Frazier Family of Kathy Rudy Frazier Pam Butler Shumate Smith Pam Gaul John Byrd **Edith Skinner** Veda Byrd John Grischow Brenda Caldwell Gerald Hale Carl & Kathy Smith Glenda Wright 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, August 11, 2023 at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

Homebound & Nursing Home Ministry:

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Wilbur Batchelor	Weedie Hayes	Dot Morris
Patsy Carty	Beulah Hudson	Donald Parker
Martha Crowell	Annie Jackson	Pat Parker
Doris Fisher	Bill Joyner	Edith Skinner
	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:

Pat Parker

Edith Skinner

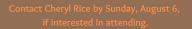
We appreciate you reaching out to members who are no longer able to worship with us in person!

The family of Melba White acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy Dear Bereavement Committee,

Once again you ladies provided a much-needed lunch for the family. It was all delicious! Thank you so much. My daughter-in-law is definitely southern now, but she grew up in Connecticut and she could not believe how special your committee services and in such a sweet, sweet way. You all know how much I love and appreciate all of you! May God continue to richly bless you all. | ove

Also, I appreciate our ladies who provided the desserts!

Seniors on the Go





Hosted by: Fellowship Team August 9, 2023, @ 5:30 PM

Fellowship Hall ~ \$5 payable at the door

Sign-up sheets in Narthex and Fellowship Hall

Volunteers are needed to be hosts for NBC while people from our community and ARC workers are at NBC. You welcome donors, are ailable to answer questions about the church, and give out snacks

Volunteers are needed! That means YOU!

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 Available shifts: 12:30-7 p.m. A sign-up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall.

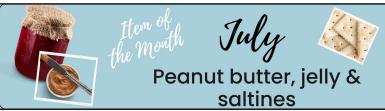


ARC Blood Drive Tuesday, August 15, 2023 2 - 6 p.m.

Sandra

To donate blood: redcross.org/give-blood







Small, Great Things