

# RAMAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE REVEREND BRIAN COPELAND  
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: TIM WARD  
17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## WE GATHER

PRELUDE                      “Multiplied”                      *Mike Bryant*

✦ HYMN                      “When Morning Gilds the Skies”                      *Brown #215*

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,    make known  
his deeds among the peoples.

**ALL Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his  
wonderful works.**

ONE Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek  
the Lord rejoice.

**ALL Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence  
continually.**

ONE Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles,  
and the judgments he uttered, O offspring of his servant  
Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

✦ HYMN                      “This Is My Father’s World”                      *Brown #143*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION                      “Trust & Obey”                      *Brown # 571*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of mystery, God of life, we imagine that we are capable judges of power and wisdom and goodness. We trust our own standards; we separate and categorize; we mark the performance of others. We fail to trust your power, hidden in all things. We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes.**

**Gracious God, hidden and manifest, transform our withered imaginations until we yield the judgments we trust to a love we cannot control.**  
*(silent reflection)*

HYMN OF ASSURANCE

“What a Friend We  
Have in Jesus”

*Brown #630*

✠ PEACE

✠ GLORIA PATRI

*Brown #813*

**WE HEAR**

CHILDREN'S TIME

*Pastor Brian*

HYMN FOR ILLUMINATION

“At Calvary”

*Brown # 492*

SCRIPTURE

Romans 8:26-39

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

HOMILY

*Rev Copeland*

## **WE RESPOND**

✦ HYMN

“More Love to Thee”

*Brown # 634*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.**

✦ HYMN

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

*Brown #43*

CALL TO OFFERING

WORSHIP WITH TITHES & OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Beautiful Things”

*Mike Bryant*

✦ DOXOLOGY

*Brown #815*

PRAYER AFTER OFFERING

## **WE DEPART**

✦ HYMN

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

*Brown #79*

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ POSTLUDE

✦ PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

## **THOSE ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY**

<b>Greeters</b>	David Houk
<b>Children's Church</b>	Dee & David Houk
<b>Toddler Nursery</b>	Alen & Scottie Baker
<b>Acolyte</b>	Lawrence Hawkins
<b>Musicians</b>	Eric & Marcia Knight, Mike Bryant

## **THIS WEEK AT RAMAH**

<b>Sunday, July 30</b> <i>9am,, Sunday school</i> <i>10am, Worship</i>	<b>Wednesday, August 2</b> <i>7pm, Session meeting</i>
<b>Tuesday, August 1</b> <i>6pm, Scouts,</i> <i>Court of Honor</i>	<b>Saturday, August 5</b> <i>10am, Worship meeting</i>

## **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Walter Craven  
Jackie Keel (sister of Janine Bryant)  
Dave McCord  
Martha Ann Readling  
Jo Ruple (mother of Jo Brown)  
Linda Scott  
Jeanette Shoemaker  
Tim Ward

Sarah Craven Washam  
\*Remember our Military  
& our First Responders

\*People will be placed on the  
prayer list at your request for  
30 days.

If you would like them to  
remain for another 30 days,  
please request again.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **What is a service of wholeness and healing?**

The Directory for Worship reminds us that "Healing was an integral part of the ministry of Jesus which the church has been called to continue as one dimension of its concern for the wholeness of people. Through services for wholeness, the church enacts in worship its ministry as a healing community.

"Services for wholeness are to be authorized by the session, and shall be under the direction of the pastor. Such services may be observed as regularly scheduled services of worship, as occasional services, or as part of the Service for the Lord's Day. (W-3.3506) These services should be open to all and not restricted to those desiring healing for themselves or for others of special concern to them. The services should be held in a place readily accessible to those who may be seeking healing.

"The vital element of worship in the service for wholeness is prayer since this is essentially a time of waiting in faith upon God. Thanksgiving for God's promise of wholeness, intercessions and supplications should be offered. Adequate time for silent prayer should be provided, as well as occasions for prayers spoken and sung. Enacted prayer in the form of the laying on of hands and anointing with oil is appropriate. (James. 5:14.) The enactment of prayers involves the presiding minister of Word and Sacrament together with representatives of the believing community.

"These prayers are a response to the Word read and proclaimed. Particular focus should

be on announcing the gospel's promise of wholeness through Christ. The sealing of this promise in the Lord's Supper may be celebrated, and should follow the prayers and the laying on of hands. Occasion for offering one's life and gifts for ministry may be provided, as well as opportunities for reconciliation and renewed commitment to the service of Jesus Christ in the world.

"When a service for wholeness includes anointing and the laying on of hands, these enacted prayers should be introduced carefully in order to avoid misinterpretation and misunderstanding. Healing is to be understood not as the result of the holiness, earnestness, or skill of those enacting the prayers, or of the faith of the ones seeking healing, but as the gift of God through the power of the Holy Spirit" (W-3.5400).

Special thanks to our musicians, Marcia and Eric Knight, and Mike Bryant.

Children's Worship bulletins are available in the Narthex.

The Elder on call for August is:  
Sonya Ashburn (980) 722-6055.

**Last week's attendance: 49**  
**Weekly needs \$3,787 actual offering \$2,315**  
**YTD collections: \$76,147 YTD budget: \$94,675**

# KEEPING UP WITH RAMAH

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- July 30, **Hymn Sing**
- August 2, Session meeting, 7PM
- August 6, Service for Wholeness & Healing
- August 9, Dinner & Bible, 6:15PM

\*DETAILS IN THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS  
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