

RAMAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE REVEREND BRIAN COPELAND
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: TIM WARD
21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 27, 2017

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ *CALL TO WORSHIP*

ONE You, who are many, are transformed to become
one in Christ.

**ALL We, who are many, are called to worship God,
the Three in One. Let us worship God.**

✦ *HYMN* "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" #151

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

ONE Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made
heaven and earth.

**ALL Confident in this ever-gracious, never-failing help,
we come before the Lord, confessing our sin and
seeking forgiveness.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In Unison

**Forgiving God, we confess that we are conformed
to this world. We conform to this world's frantic
pace, too hectic to notice all the blessings you
provide. We conform to this world's reckless
waste, exploiting what you entrust to our care.
We conform to this world's shallow values,**

oblivious to the giftedness of people different from us. We conform to this world's impatient attitudes, preferring the latest instead of the lasting. Forgive our conformity and transform us, O God. We pray in Jesus' name. (*silent reflection*)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ONE Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?
ALL **Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.**

ONE Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
ALL **The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.**

✠ *PEACE*

✠ *GLORIA PATRI*

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WE HEAR

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Brian

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

✠ *GOSPEL* Matthew 16:13-20

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

SERMON

Rev Copeland

WE RESPOND

✠ *AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*

The Apostle's Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again

THOSE ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY

Greeters
Children's Church
Toddler Nursery
Acolyte

Mitzi Foster
Christine Senn
Alen & Scottie Baker
Ethan Isaacs

THIS WEEK AT RAMAH

Sunday, August 27
9am,, Sunday school
10am, Worship

Tuesday, August 29
6pm, Scouts

Wednesday, August 30
6:15pm, Dinner & Bible

Thursday, August 31
8:30am, Preschool open house

Friday, September 1
10am, Morning Circle

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
Jay Wise (father of Karen Helms)

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

Dinner & Bible continues this Wednesday, August 30, with dinner at 6:15PM and continuing on Wednesdays:

August 30 - Romans 9-11 God's Faithfulness

September 6 - Romans 12:1-15:13 Faithful Obedience

and September 13. The Bible portion will follow at 6:40pm.

All ages are welcome! Dinner donations will be gladly accepted.

The Worship service will return to the **11AM** start time **next Sunday, September 3.**

Morning Circle will start monthly meetings again on Friday, September 1st. ALL LADIES are welcome to join us in the Fellowship Hall at 10am, and a hot dog lunch will be provided. Join us for devotions, prayer time, Bible study, mission projects, lunch, fun and Christian fellowship. Contact Kathe Kepley for more info: 704-875-3382.

September 10 is Rally Day.

Homecoming will be on September 24 with Alan Gray.

The annual Mission Port-a-Pit Chicken BBQ fundraiser will be Friday, October 13.

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: 55
Weekly needs \$3,787 actual offering \$7,245
YTD collections: \$90,589 YTD budget: \$106,036

KEEPING UP WITH RAMAH

- August 30, Dinner & Bible, 6:15PM
- August 31, Preschool Open House, 8:30AM
- September 1, Morning Circle, 10AM
- September 3, Worship returns to 11AM
- September 4, office closed for Labor Day
- September 5, 1st day of Preschool
- September 6, Dinner & Bible, 6:15PM
- September 10, Rally Day
- September 10, Session Meeting, Noon
- September 24, Homecoming
- October 13, Port-a-Pit Chicken BBQ, 11AM

*DETAILS IN THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS
CHURCH WEBSITE: WWW.RAMAHPCUSA.ORG

