

RAMAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE REVEREND BRIAN COPELAND
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: TIM WARD
22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ *CALL TO WORSHIP*

ONE The God of our ancestors calls us to worship.

ALL Praise the Lord!

ONE Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

ALL Let us worship God!

✠ *HYMN* "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" #686

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

ONE Jesus Christ overcame evil with good so that all people might be saved from sin.

**ALL Let us then confess our need for grace,
confident of God's forgiveness.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In Unison

God of mercy, we confess that, like the disciples, we set our minds not on divine things but on human things. Doubting your loving care, we grab for more than we need. Doubting your loving purposes, we shrink from living as your followers. Doubting your loving plan, we become stumbling blocks in your creation. Forgive us that we may gain new life in you, for it is in Jesus' forgiving name we pray. (*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*

#813

WE HEAR

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Brian

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

✦ *SCRIPTURE* Romans 12:9-21

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 from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

✠ HYMN OF RESPONSE

**“Take My Life and
Let It Be Consecrated”**

#597

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 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.

CALL TO OFFERING

WORSHIP WITH TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

✠ DOXOLOGY

#815

PRAYER AFTER OFFERING

WE DEPART

✦ *HYMN* "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

#602

✦ *BENEDICTION*

✦ *POSTLUDE*

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✦ PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

THOSE ASSISTING IN SERVICE TODAY

Greeters

Sonya Ashburn

Children's Church

Dee & David Houk

Toddler Nursery

Karen Helms & Dianne Dulovitz

Acolyte

John Harris

THIS WEEK AT RAMAH

Sunday, September 3

9am,, Sunday school

10am, Worship

Monday, September 4

Office Closed, Labor Day

Tuesday, September 5

9am, First day of Preschool

6pm, Scouts

Wednesday, September 6

6:15pm, Dinner & Bible

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, Sept. 6, with dinner at 6:15PM and continuing on Wednesdays:
September 6 – Romans 12:1-15:13 Faithful Obedience
September 13 – Romans 15:14-16:27 Paul's Closing
Reminders. The Bible portion will follow at 6:40pm. All ages are welcome! Dinner donations will be gladly accepted.

Next Sunday, 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 September is:
Larry Makin (704) 743-7713.

Last week's attendance: 37
Weekly needs \$3,787 actual offering \$2,250
YTD collections: \$92,839 YTD budget: \$109,823

KEEPING UP WITH RAMAH

- September 3, Worship returns to 11AM
- 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

