

PRAYER LIST — March 4, 2018

HEALTH CONCERNS

Members:

- Burch Idol (health issues)
- Becky Collins (pneumonia)
- Norma Stikeleather (health issues)
- Vivian Stowe (health issues – at Piney Grove Nursing & Rehab. Center)
- Kay Sudderth (cancer treatment)
- Rodgers White (health issues)

Friends:

- N. Bolen Carrie Hiatt (Nancy’s aunt—knee replacement); Megan Hedgecock (health issues); Jim Fields (heart attack); Tricia Dowdy (cancer); Faye Dean Watson, Amy Ikerd, Cindy Strickland (diabetes and health issues)
- Budkey Mickey Hull (health concerns); Jim Miller (stage 4 prostate cancer)
- Henderson **Jeff Briggs** (hospital in Florida on ventilator—starting to improve)
- S. Sharp Colin Ward (medical issues and tests)
- Self Connor Self (grandson—flu—at Brenner’s Children’s Hosp.); Mrs. Lee (Self’s daughter-in-law’s mother in S. Korea—chemo treatment)
- Stikeleather Keith Lackey (Norma’s son-in-law—Esophageal cancer surg. on 3/8)
- Thach Amy Fowler (return of Melanoma); Alvena Hummer (cancer)
- Tincher Johanna Follen Tincher (3 yrs. old—fever but no diagnosis yet)
- Watts Denise Gray (Dale’s sister—diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer)
- White Cherri Moss (Joyce’s niece—severe stroke—PT at Duke Hosp.)

SPECIAL CONCERNS

- S. Sharp Paulo Correa (job issues)
- Vernon Cindy Mulkey (foot surg. in February); Nancy Liner (Alzheimer’s—moved to a facility)

PRAYER OF PRAISE

- Budkey Heather Camp (home from hosp.)



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March 4, 2018—Third Sunday in Lent

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God. The firmament proclaims God’s handiwork.

People: We celebrate the steadfast love of God, our Creator. Surely God is faithful to all who live in covenant.

Leader: From the sun’s rising to its setting, the creation speaks. Day and night, earth’s creatures announce God’s works.

People: The commandments of God are clear, enlightening the eyes. God’s law is perfect, calling forth our best.

Leader: God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom. God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

People: The ordinances of God are true and righteous. In following them, we gain wisdom and strength.

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN NO. 298 “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” ABBOT’S LEIGH

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Those who are able, please stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We have come to your temple, loving God, because this is your place, not ours. We confess that we sometimes forget whose house this is. We forget that all the world belongs to you as we scramble for all we can claim for ourselves. Our actions deny your love, which is at the heart of your perfect law. Our minds have justified the bending and breaking of your law to suit current trends and feelings. We cry out for forgiveness and the opportunity for a fresh start. Clear us of hidden faults and redeem us from those we recognize and confess. Amen.

(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: When our prayers become more than pious words; when, in awe before God, we truly seek forgiveness; the Almighty becomes for us a guiding presence. We are healed, strengthened, and set free from our slavery to sin. In steadfast love, God claims us, saying: “You are my people.” Friends, believe the good news...

People: *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.*

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

(Please share a sign of peace with others.)

ANTHEM

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Matthew 22:34-40

Matthew 28:16-20

SERMON

“Don’t Just Sit There, Go! Growing Wide”

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

***HYMN NO. 733** “We All Are One in Mission” ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVOGELEINN

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** “The Apostles’ 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.

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

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN NO. 295** “Go to the World!” SINE NOMINE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory and honor of God and are placed by Norman and Lynda Self in honor of their 54th wedding anniversary.

Serving Today (Mar 4)

Greeters: Bernie Krecklow, Rich Tincher

Lay Reader: Sam Henderson

Serving Next Sunday (Mar 11)—Communion

Greeters/Ushers: Joy Lynne Budkey, Jim Ingram

Lay Reader: Nancy Bolen

Element Prep: Dee Barham, Nancy Bolen

Assisting Elders: Lynda Self, Rusty Sudderth,
Rich Tincher, Millie Vernon,
Ellen Watts

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