

PRAYER LIST — March 11, 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 Megan Hedgecock (health issues); Tricia Dowdy (cancer); Faye Dean Watson, Amy Ikerd, Cindy Strickland (diabetes and health issues); **Imogene Fields** (broken shoulder); **Alphonso Wood** (Mary Downing's grandfather—declining health—hospice called in)
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.)
Ruth Durham (cancer treatment)
Diana Johnson (breast cancer)

SPECIAL CONCERNS

N. Bolen **Flat Rock Methodist Church**
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.)

SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO

Nicholson **The family of Mr. McMillan** (Jim & Rosalie's son-in-law's father)



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March 11, 2018—Fourth Sunday in Lent

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Light has entered our world; rejoice! Light is God's gift to each, and to all together.

People: Give thanks to God for days of watchful care. The steadfast love of God endures forever.

Leader: Let those whom God has redeemed rejoice! Let them tell the world of God's good news!

People: We will thank God for wonderful works. We will rejoice in God's love for all humankind.

Leader: By God's word, we are delivered from destruction. By God's mercy, we are healed and made whole.

People: Our voices will join in songs of joy. Our lives will offer sacrifices of thanksgiving.

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN NO. 450

"Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Those who are able, please stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Healing God, we are sick through our sinful ways. We are impatient, complaining, and troubled. We love the night because it hides the evil we have done and the doubt that shows on our faces. By our self-indulgent habits, we are destroying ourselves and depriving others. As a church, we seem content to be dead in our trespasses, for we are afraid to embrace the changes that come with the new life you offer. We cry out to you in our trouble. Save us from our distress. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God loved the world so much that Jesus Christ was sent to show us the way to eternal life. We are not condemned, but offered saving grace. Come to the light. Let it’s warmth melt away our resistance to God’s truth. We are re-created in Jesus Christ so that we may do the good that God intends and make that goodness our way of life. 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.*

Numbers 21:4-9

2 Peter 1:3-11

SERMON

“Growing Deep”

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

***HYMN NO. 707**

“Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord”

HALL

***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.

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**

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Words of Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving - 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.

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of God’s Gifts

The Communion Prayer

***HYMN NO. 69**

“I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”

HERE I AM

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Serving Today (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

Serving Next Sunday (Mar 18)

Greeters/Ushers: Sam & Priscilla Henderson

Lay Reader: Kitty Thach

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