

PRAYER LIST — May 20, 2018

HEALTH CONCERNS

Members:

Rocky Newton (recuperating from cancer surg. on 4/27)
Norma Stikeleather (health issues)
Vivian Stowe (health issues – at Piney Grove Nursing & Rehab. Center)
Kay Sudderth (cancer treatment)
Ellen Watts (recuperating from arthroscopic knee surg. on 4/24)
Rodgers White (health issues)

Friends & Family:

N. Bolen Megan Hedgecock (health issues); Jim Fields (heart attack); Faye Dean
Watson, Amy Ikerd, Cindy Strickland (diabetes and health issues)
Henderson Jeff Briggs (home in Walkertown)
Hodges Michelle Ivey (Randall's wife—health issues)
Myers Janet Ruff (92 yr. old—flu)
Watts Denise Gray (Dale's sister—Metastatic lung cancer)

SPECIAL CONCERNS

N. Bolen Employees of MSG Services (business hit by Sunday's tornado)
S. Sharp Paulo Correa (job issues)
Smith Dear friend needs prayers for serious medical decision to be made
Vernon Family Member (silent)



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May 20, 2018—Day of Pentecost

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The day of Pentecost has come, and we are together. Will the works of God be known among us today?

People: We live in the valley of dry bones. Around and within us is emptiness.

Leader: God comes to us as a gentle breath or a violent wind. Catch your breath, God's breath, and live.

People: There are stirrings deep within that give us hope. There is a Spirit linking us to one another.

Leader: The fires of love dispel life's shadows. God's Spirit comes to give us new life.

People: Surely God is in this place! May the glory of God be known among us today!

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN NO. 289

"On Pentecost They Gathered"

MUNICH

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Those who are able, please stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

When your face is hidden from us, mighty God, we forget that there is more to life than the daily pursuits that occupy our attention. We are weak because we have not tapped the resources you place within us. We are engaged only by what we can see, touch, and hear. Our frantic self-centeredness dries up our bones and we lose hope. Call us out of the graves in which we have chosen to live, the deep ruts that keep us from knowing the fullness of life you reveal when we welcome your Spirit. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The Spirit helps us in our weakness, intercedes for us, and guides us into all truth. God seeks to restore us to fullness of life, to offer us hope, to assure us of our worth and value. Feel the flames of God's love resting on us, empowering us to love and serve in Christ's name. 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 every 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

Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

Ezekiel 37:1-14

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

"Catching the Wind"

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 286

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

TRENTHAM

*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. 291

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

SPIRIT

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Serving Today (May 20)

Greeters/Ushers: Millie Vernon, Rich Tincher
Lay Reader: Nancy Bolen

Serving Next Sunday (May 27)

Greeters/Ushers: Sam & Priscilla Henderson
Lay Reader: Kerry Kerr