

HEALTH CONCERNS

Members:

Lucy Dillon (health issues)
Bernice Nelson (cancer)
Rocky Newton (pneumonia)
Vivian Stowe (health issues – at Piney Grove Nursing & Rehab. Center)
Kay Sudderth (cancer treatment)
Rodgers White (health issues)

Friends & Family:

N. Bolen Pam Averill (cancer); Megan Hedgecock (health issues); Jim Fields (heart attack); Faye Dean Watson, Amy Ikerd, Cindy Strickland (diabetes and health issues)
Foster Jeneane Luke (auto accident—loss of foot)
Henderson Jeff Briggs (home in Walkertown)
Hodges Keith Sanders (Lisa Newton’s father—kidney failure); Michelle Ivey (Randall’s wife—health issues)
McKinney **Jayne Hasson** (pancreatic cancer)
B. Norman Bill Norman (health issues)
Pruitt Julian Pruitt (Rev. John’s father—recuperating from broken hip surg.)
G. Sharp Judy Franklin (broken hip—rehab facility)
Watts Marzel Routh (long time friend and ex-coworker of Dale Watts—stroke and ALS), Denise Gray (Dale’s sister—Metastatic lung cancer)
Rev. Wilkie Peter Wilkie (Alzheimer’s)
Waddell Shirley Lamkin (sister—stage 3 cancer)

SPECIAL CONCERNS

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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July 29, 2018—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the hour to bend our knee before God. This is a time to offer our best to our Creator.

People: We gather before God, who sees all our deeds. We open our hearts to One who knows all our thoughts.

Leader: Fools say in their hearts, “There is no God.” We come together proclaiming, “God is with us!”

People: We come to be strengthened in our inner being. We seek to pattern our actions after Christ Jesus.

Leader: God’s presence evokes our joyous worship. The Holy Spirit empowers our service.

People: To God be the highest glory in the church. To God be endless adoration in the world.

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN NO. 634

“To God Be the Glory”

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Those who are able, please stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, you know our secret hearts. You are aware of our distortions and our jealousy. You observe our unfaithfulness, our treachery, and our unwarranted fears. We are corrupted by greed, self indulgence, and a desire to be entertained. We do not take responsibility for our own misconduct, our abuse of power, and our lack of trust in you. We have little sense of vision to see beyond immediate circumstances or to embrace new possibilities. We miss signs of your grace and resist the empowerment of your Spirit. Mighty God, still the storms within us with your transforming peace and boundless forgiveness. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: All who truly repent can know the love of Christ that surpasses human knowledge. We are rescued, delivered, and restored to fullness of life in God, our creator. We are being rooted and grounded in love that we, in turn, might show love to others. We are invited to join the saints in realizing ever fuller dimensions of life centered in faith and trust. 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

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

2 Samuel 11:1-15

Ephesians 3:14-21

SERMON

Rev. John Pruitt

*Those who are able, please stand.

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 624

“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

TOULON

*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. 610

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

AZMON

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Serving Today (Jul 29)

Greeters/Ushers: Joy Lynn Budkey, Jim Ingram
Lay Reader: Nancy Bolen

Serving Next Sunday (Aug 5)

Greeters/Ushers: Bernie Krecklow, Dale Watts
Lay Reader: Nancy Bolen

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