

HEALTH CONCERNS

Members:

Rita Barger (health issues)
Lucy Dillon (health issues)
Lorna Foster (rehabilitating at home from shoulder replacement)
Bernie Krecklow (health issues)
Hamp Langdon (health issues)
Judy Maxwell (home recuperating from health issues)
Bob Myers (heart issues)
Rosalie Nicholson (recuperating at home from breast cancer surg. and undergoing radiation therapy)
Skip Smith (recuperating from surg.)
Rodgers White (health issues)
Millie Vernon (health issues)

Friends & Family:

Bolen Faye Dean Watson (cancer treatment); Amy Ikerd; Cindy Strickland (diabetes & health issues); Carol Carroll (health issues)
Briggs Rebecca Huminski (daughter—back in ICU at Baptist Hosp.)
Conrad Dave Hoppes (son-in-law—massive seizure and cardiac arrest—ICU in California. Also, he only has one kidney and is on daily dialysis)
Foster Nick Waver (Lorna's grandson—COVID 19)
Polinsky **Chad Amond** (nephew—health issues)
Self Gregory Martin (rare blood cancer)
S. Sharp Dick Pauley (Ambassador at PTI—ICU with health issues)

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Mike & Darcy Polinsky's 48th Wedding Anniversary on 7/22

SPECIAL CONCERNS

N. Bolen Catherine Bolen (health issues); Carrie Hiatt

SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO

Bolen The family of Betty Coggins



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August 23, 2020—12th Sunday after Pentecost

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our help is from God, who made heaven and earth. Come to worship the One who answers our prayers.

People: *If God were not on our side, we could not live. If God were not for us, we would be swept away.*

Leader: God has gifted each one of us in unique ways. In our variety, we complement one another.

People: *We rejoice in God's love and faithfulness. Blessed be our God, whose word is true.*

Leader: In thankfulness, we bring our joyous songs. We are here to pay attention to God's instructions.

People: *We are here, seeking to discern God's will. We are open to God's transforming Spirit.*

All: *Let us worship God!*

*HYMN NO. 267

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

MADRID

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we did not realize that we are among the rich oppressors of this world. We think we are poor when we cannot have everything we want. Keep us from misusing the power we have. We confess our fear of those who are unlike us. We set up barriers against them when we are afraid. Keep us from acting in ways that alienate and divide. When we are tempted to conform to the world's standards, set before us the higher model of sacrifice and service that is given to us in Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God gives us grace to think with sober judgment and to act with confident faith. By that grace, we have unique gifts to use within the body of Christ. God forgives and heals and empowers us with new insights and expanded capacity to serve. In humble obedience, we learn the joy of following Jesus and living for the highest good for all. 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.)

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 124
Matthew 16:13-20

SERMON

"Who Do You Say I Am?"

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 265

"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

DUKE STREET

*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. 263

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

CORONATION

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.

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