

**HEALTH CONCERNS**

**Members:**

- Jeff Briggs (health issues)
- Donna Carmichael (Vertigo)
- Deryel Clark (heart issues—resident at Spring Arbor of Greensboro)
- Ginger Clark (health issues—resident at Spring Arbor of Greensboro)
- Konnie Conrad (spinal fusion soon)
- Lucy Dillon (health issues)
- Faye Hodges (resident at Kerner Ridge, Phone No. 336-817-5989)
- Bernie Krecklow (health issues)
- Hamp Langdon (health issues)
- Donna Myers (recuperating with Hospice palliative care at The Manor at Countryside Village where they live in Stokesdale)
- Bob Myers (heart issues)
- Jean Nitkin (recuperating at home)
- Gerry Sharp (health issues)
- Millie Vernon (health issues)
- Rodgers White (health issues)

**Friends & Family:**

- Bolen R.D. Marshall (quintuple bypass); Marie Tuttle (breast cancer); Brett Tuttle (health issues with a brain tumor); Faye Dean Watson (cancer treatment); Cindy Strickland (diabetes & health issues); Carol Carroll (health issues)
- Budkey **Jeff Emory** (throat & tongue cancer); Heather Camp (Retired Executive Director of The Shepherds Center—living with daughter and recuperating from broken femur); Patricia Kennedy (Joy’s aunt—end stage of condition)
- Gonzalez Jeff & July White (COVID)
- Kerr Marla Kerr-Lawson (Kerry’s sister—on dialysis)
- Maxwell Clara Maxwell Yarber (breast cancer)
- McKinney **Jayme Sasson** (pancreatic cancer)
- Myers Keith Downs (Bob’s nephew—cancer)
- Polinsky Chad Amond (nephew—health issues)
- Pruitt John Fair (organist—cancer); Julian Pruitt (John’s father—health issues)
- Roudabush Daughter-in-law’s mother (bladder cancer)
- S. Sharp Marli Correa (Paulo’s mother—cataract surg. on Oct. 26)
- Thach Hope Border (23 yr. old who has had two mini strokes)
- Amelia Summers (YMCA employee—diagnosed with Lymphoma)

**SPECIAL CONCERNS**

- Bolen Catherine Bolen
- Budkey Barry Rush’s family (Joy Lynn’s brother—loss of home due to fire)
- S. Sharp Paulo Correa (Brazilian brother—waiting for job transfer to new location)
- Vernon Prayers for family members
- Watts Matt Wiggins (son-in-law—injured Achilles tendon—may be out of work extensively)

**PRAYER OF PRAISE**

- S. Sharp Paulo Correa (Brazilian brother—successful move)
- Nicholson Ralph & Diane Nichols (both recuperating from COVID at home and doing well)

**SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO**

- Bolen The Family of Dan Smith
- Nitkin **The Nitkin Family** (death of their granddaughter)



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October 10, 2021—20th Sunday after Pentecost

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

### GATHERING

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, all who look for God with unseeing eyes. Come, all who listen for God but hear nothing.

**People:** *Oh, that we knew where to find God! We want to hear and understand God’s Word.*

Leader: The word of God is living and active. It pierces and judges and opens us to God’s grace.

**People:** *We cannot hide from God who knows us. God understands our thoughts and intentions.*

Leader: Leave everything to follow Jesus in this hour. This is the time to embrace new ways.

**People:** *Here we set the patterns for everyday life. Here we are strengthened for every day’s challenges.*

**All:** *Let us worship God!*

\*HYMN NO. 307

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

CWM RHONDDA

\*Those who are able, please stand.

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, hear us if you can. Know that many times we feel forsaken and terrified more than supported and comforted. We cry out and hear no answers. We suffer and find no relief. We are tempted to blame you even though we are the ones who cut off communication. We complain in the midst of plenty and groan over imagined slights. When we feel mocked and scorned and despised, we turn inward with the hurt instead of opening ourselves to your healing touch. Have mercy on us, and help us in our time of need. *(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession.)*

Amen.

### KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Remember that Jesus shared our common lot and is able to sympathize with our weakness. The Man of Nazareth was tempted as we are tempted. Our confessions, from both those spoken and those without voice, are no surprise to the Christ, who is our great high priest. Yet we are counted as brothers and sisters in the faith and offered abundant grace and mercy. 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.*

Psalm 22:1-15

Mark 6:30-44

### SERMON

*“What Is Stewardship?”*

Rev. John Pruitt

\*Those who are able, please stand.

## SENDING

### \*HYMN NO. 714

*“God of the Fertile Fields”*

ITALIAN HYMN

### \*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

### OFFERTORY

### \*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. 39

*“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

FAITHFULNESS

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

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#### Serving Today (Oct 10)

Greeters/Ushers: Skip Smith  
Millie Vernon

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#### Serving Next Sunday (Oct 17)

Greeters/Ushers: Lynda Self  
Kae Mattingly

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