

**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 surg Nov. 10 & 11)  
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)  
Watts Denice Watts Gray (end stage lung cancer)  
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)



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October 24, 2021—22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

### GATHERING

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is gathering us from many different places. No one is worthy, but all are invited.

**People: God lifts us up when we stumble and leads us back. God cares for us amid our pain and losses.**

Leader: We are delivered from our fears and saved from trouble. Happy are those who take refuge in a loving God.

**People: Our lips pour forth laughter and joyous singing. We join in shouts of praise to God Most High.**

Leader: Taste and see how good God is. Trust in the One who awakens joy in place of tears.

**People: We will bless our God in all times and places. Let us exalt God's name together!**

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN NO. 712

“As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought”

FOREST GREEN

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we confess that our lives have made of you a distant deity. We listen to what others say about you, but we have seldom glimpsed for ourselves who you are. We are dominated by our doubts instead of by our practice of prayer. We are not ready to repent in dust and ashes, but we do ask for mercy as we face up to sins we have not recognized and wrongdoing we have tried to ignore. Instill in us a new appreciation of righteousness, and help us to grow in the way you would have us go. *(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: Our God, who has reached out to us in love, welcomes even our timid answers. God is more generous in blessing us and uplifting us beyond our losses and our fears. In Christ, we are linked with God's saving grace for all time and eternity. Let us praise God, recognizing that faith has power to heal. 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 34:1-8

Mark 12:28-44

### SERMON

*"How Much Is Enough?"*

Rev. John Pruitt

\*Those who are able, please stand.

## SENDING

### \*HYMN NO. 708

*"We Give Thee but Thine Own"*

SCHUMANN

### \*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. 697

*"Take My Life"* (verses 1-4)

HENDON

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

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#### Serving Today (Oct 24)

Greeters/Ushers: Rusty Sudderth  
Priscilla Henderson

#### Serving Next Sunday (Oct 31)

Greeters/Ushers: Rusty Sudderth  
Priscilla Henderson

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