

HEALTH CONCERNS

Nancy Butler (upcoming hand surg on 3/24—dominant hand)
Donna Carmichael (Vertigo)
Deryel Clark (heart issues—resident at Spring Arbor of Greensboro)
Lucy Dillon (home recuperating from hip surg.)
Faye Hodges (resident at Kerner Ridge, Phone No. 336-817-5989)
Bernie Krecklow (health issues)
Hamp Langdon (health issues)
Fran McKinney (treatment for ovarian cancer)
Donna Myers (recuperating with Hospice palliative care at The Manor at Countryside Village in Stokesdale)
Lisa Newton (upcoming rotator cuff surg.)
Gerry Sharp (health issues)
Skip Smith (recuperating from shoulder surg.)
Millie Vernon (health issues)
Rodgers White (health issues)
Bolen 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)
Kerr Kelly Kerr (Kerry's brother—Stage 4 prostate cancer); Marla Kerr-Lawson (Kerry's sister—dialysis)
Maxwell Clara Maxwell Yarber (breast cancer)
Myers Keith Downs (nephew—cancer)
R Newton Dolly (Rocky's mother—fell and broke hip)
Polinsky Chad Amond (nephew—primary progressive aphasia)
Pruitt Julian Pruitt (John's father—health issues)
Sharp Marli Correa (Paulo's mother—cataract surg. on Oct. 26)
Thach Hope Border (23 yr. old who has had two mini strokes)
Watts Robert Culler (former member—end stage liver disease); John Towery (heart issues)
Kara S. (cancer treatment—healing)

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Bolen Catherine Bolen
Vernon Prayers for family members

SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO

The family of Jeff Briggs (who passed away 3/17/22)



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March 27, 2022—Fourth Sunday in Lent

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: A new day has dawned, God's gift to us; the fruits of the land are ours to enjoy.

People: *We are a new creation in Jesus Christ; the old has passed away, the new has come.*

Leader: This is a day for forgiveness and reconciliation; celebrate God's love for the lost who are found.

People: *The glad cries of deliverance surround us; shouts of joy arise from our hearts.*

Leader: Let all who are faithful offer up prayers; may all who are in Christ give thanks.

People: *We will be glad and join the dance of life; with the upright of heart, we rejoice and sing.*

All: *Let us worship God!*

*HYMN NO. 624

"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"

TOULON

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we will not try to hide from you the wrong we have done or the good we have neglected. You know our transgressions. You have observed our pretensions. We have claimed too lightly the label “Christian,” for often we cut ourselves off from you and from people we disdain. At times our rebellion leaves us hungry, alone, and friendless. O God, we are not worthy to be called your children. Grant us, we pray, your forgiveness and pardon and a renewed sense of who you intend us to be and become. *(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: We are assured that God forgives the guilt of our sin. Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those to whom God imputes no iniquity and in whose spirit there is no deceit. 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

“Were You There”

MSUMC Handbell Choir

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Joshua 5:9-12

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

SERMON

“The Prodigal Father”

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 475

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

NETTLETON

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

“When I Survey the Wonderous Cross”

MSUMC Handbell Choir

*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. 649

“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”

AMAZING GRACE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory and honor of God and are placed by the Briggs Family in memory of Jeff Briggs.

Serving Today (Mar 27)

Greeters/Ushers: Kae Mattingly, Ellen Watts

Serving Next Sunday (Apr 3)

Greeters/Ushers: Kae Mattingly, Ellen Watts