

PRAYER LIST — August 13, 2023

HEALTH CONCERNS

Donna Bowman (recuperating from cataract surg.)
Donna Carmichael (Vertigo)
Deryel Clark (heart issues—resident at Spring Arbor of Greensboro)
Lucy Dillon (health issues)
Faye Hodges (resident at Kerner Ridge, Phone No. 336-817-5989)
Bernie Krecklow (resident at Brookdale Lawndale Park, 336-286-3432)
Kae Mattingly (home recovering from a stroke)
Judy Maxwell (health issues)
Fran McKinney (undergoing treatment for recurrence of cancer)
Millie Vernon (health issues)
Rodgers White (health issues)

Bolen Isaac Bunch (broken collarbone); Marie Spainhour (broken leg); Steve Martin (recurrence of cancer); Ron Smith (cancer); Carmen Spoon (dementia); Lila Bolen (cancer); Amy Ikerd (health issues); Marie Tuttle (breast cancer); Cindy Strickland (diabetes & health issues); Carol Carroll (health issues)

Bowman **Stephanie Piraino** (daughter—cancerous thyroid removed and undergoing treatment)

Budkey **Killean Phillipp** (injured right leg in hit-and-run motorcycle accident—leg completely turned around and knee will have to be rebuilt); Richard Hedgecock (bone cancer)

Downing Steve Miller (Shari's brother—cancer)

Kerr Roger Kerr (Kerry's cousin—health issues); Kelly Kerr (Kerry's brother—Stage 4 prostate cancer); Marla Kerr-Lawson (Kerry's sister—dialysis)

Mattingly Lisa Tuttle (stage 4 emphysema)

Murray George Murray (recovering at home from procedure to fix two subdural hematomas)

Polinsky Chad Amond (nephew—primary progressive aphasia)

Roudabush Tim Roudabush (Dottie's son—was hospitalized with seizures—now home but still being monitored for seizures); Dottie's daughter-in-law's mother (bladder cancer)

G. Sharp James Swaim (Baptist hosp. with pneumonia)

S. Sharp Maria Gomes (friend of Spence & Paulo)

Tincher JoAngie Semonco (breast cancer—surg. 12/19)

Unknown Kara S. (cancer treatment—healing)

Watts **Kent Watts** (Ellen's son—recuperating at home from stent surg. on 8/8)

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Ingram Maria Braucht (Jim's sister—at Novant Rehab Hospital)

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Bolen Catherine Bolen (diagnosed with ALS)

S. Sharp Tyler Carter (nephew—safe travel home from Kosovo)

Vernon Prayers for family members



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August 13, 2023—Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Over the wind and waves, Christ comes to us. Do not fear to meet Christ today.

All: We have heard the invitation. Our hopes have brought us together.

One: The storms of life do not have the last word. Our faith keeps us from sinking.

All: Our doubts lead to greater faith. Our losses open us to greater possibilities.

One: Let us call on God's name and give thanks. Let the hearts of all who seek God rejoice.

All: We will sing of God's wonderful works. We will share with others God's marvelous deeds. Let us worship God!

*HYMN NO. 353

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

SOLID ROCK

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we confess that we are dreamers more intent on our own importance than on your vision for us. We like our favored position on this earth, and we are jealous of those who have even more than we. We want to walk on water before we have even learned to stand upright on the land. We want to rise above others rather than reaching out with helping hands, that all might be uplifted by you. We pray for pardon and a chance to live and serve with faithfulness.

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

Amen.

RESPONSE

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: O you of little faith, why do you doubt? Take heart. Do not be afraid. The harsh winds will abate. The seas will not overwhelm. The treachery of some will not wipe out the good God intends. Everyone who calls on God's name will be saved. Remember God's wonderful works and share the good news. Let all humankind praise God. Friends, believe the good news...

All: *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

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: *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.*

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Matthew 14:22-33

SERMON

"Stepping Out of the Boat"

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 834

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

PRECIOUS LORD

*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.

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

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Words of Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving—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.

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of God's Gifts

The Communion Prayer

*HYMN NO. 720

"Jesus Calls Us"

GALILEE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Serving Today (Aug 13 — Communion)

Greeters/Ushers: Lorna Foster, Rosalie Nicholson

Element Prep: Nancy Bolen, Nancy Sharp

Assisting Elders: Nancy Sharp, Priscilla Henderson,
Rusty Sudderth, Rich Tincher

Serving Next Sunday (Aug 20)

Greeters/Ushers: Lorna Foster, Rosalie Nicholson

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