

HEALTH CONCERNS

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)
Judy Maxwell (recuperating from a medical procedure on 1/19/24)
Stan Stigall (health issues)
Millie Vernon (post-lumpectomy tests revealed no additional cancer)
Rodgers White (health issues)

Bolen Matt Chaney (Crohn’s Disease); Hilda Smitherman (congestive heart); Angie Wilson (possible ALS diagnosis); Steve Crutchfield (brain lesions); 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 Becca Tate (friend—breast cancer); Richard Hedgecock (bone cancer)
Butler Pat Tweedy (in Wesley Long Hosp. with inoperable brain tumor); Ed Tweedy (in Cone Hosp. ICU with head hematoma)
Downing Karen O’Dell (Ken & Konnie’s sister—bladder surg.); Steve Miller (Shari’s brother—cancer)
Joy & Jim Chip Cole (friend—brain bleed); Mickey Hull (friend—health issues)
Kerr Ed Musiol (triple by-pass); Roger Kerr (Kerry’s cousin—health issues)
Polinsky Chad Amond (nephew—primary progressive aphasia)
Rodriguez Julie White (Laura’s mother—successful bursitis surgery)
Roudabush Tim Roudabush (Dottie’s son—health issues); Dottie’s daughter-in-law’s mother (health issues)
G. Sharp Brenda Johnson (former choir director—assisted living in Walnut Cove)
S. Sharp Maria Gomes (friend of Spence & Paulo)
Tincher Bernice Tincher (Rich’s mom—health issues); JoAngie Semonco (breast cancer—surg. 12/19)
Unknown Kara S. (cancer treatment—healing)

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Bolen Catherine Bolen (diagnosed with ALS)
Vernon Prayers for family members
Watts Kent Watts (Ellen’s son—recuperating from shoulder surg. and travelling mercies—travelling a lot for his job)

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Budkey Linda Spencer (Joy’s neighbor—home from hospital—doing well); Killean Phillipp (had 2nd surgery—home recuperating—supposed to walk around Christmas)
G. Sharp Rabbi & Shari Mann (safe in Jerusalem)

SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO

Thach The family of Marge Birmingham (who passed away March 2, 2024)
The family of Alvena Hummer



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March 10, 2024 — *Fourth Sunday in Lent*

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Light has entered our world; rejoice! Light is God’s gift to each, and to all together.

All: Give thanks to God for days of watchful care. The steadfast love of God endures forever.

One: Let those whom God has redeemed rejoice! Let them tell the world of God’s good news!

All: We will thank God for wonderful works. We will rejoice in God’s love for all humankind.

One: By God’s word, we are delivered from destruction. By God’s mercy, we are healed and made whole.

All: Our voices will join in songs of joy. Our lives will offer sacrifices of thanksgiving. Let us worship God!

*HYMN NO. 634

“To God Be the Glory”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Healing God, we are sick through our sinful ways. We are impatient, complaining, and troubled. We love the night because it hides the evil we have done and the doubt that shows on our faces. By our self-indulgent habits, we are destroying ourselves and depriving others. We seem content to be dead in our trespasses, for we are afraid to embrace the changes that come with the new life you offer. We cry out to you in our trouble. Save us from our distress.

(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: God loved the world so much that Jesus Christ was sent to show us the way to eternal life. We are not condemned, but offered saving grace. Come to the light. Let its warmth melt away our resistance to God's truth. We are re-created in Jesus Christ so that we may do the good that God intends and make that goodness our way of life. Friends, believe the good news...

All: *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.*

*RESPONSE

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.*

Numbers 21:4-9

John 3:14-21

SERMON

"God So Loved"

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 515

"I Come with Joy"

DOVE OF PEACE

*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. 215

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

WONDROUS LOVE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Serving Today (Mar 10—Communion)

Greeters/Ushers: Priscilla Henderson, Lorna Foster

Element Prep: Nancy Sharp, Linda Volcek

Assisting Elders: Nancy Sharp, Tom Parker,
Rich Tincher, Skip Smith

Serving Next Sunday (Mar 17)

Greeters/Ushers: Mike & Darcy Polinsky

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