

**HEALTH CONCERNS**

Deryel Clark (heart issues—resident at Spring Arbor of Greensboro)  
Lucy Dillon (health issues)  
Faye Hodges (resident at Arbor Ridge, 1237 Masten Dr., Apt. 121, Kernersville)  
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 Bobby Crutchfield (cancer); Vivian Crutchfield (health issues); Matt Chaney (Crohn’s Disease);  
Hilda Smitherman (congestive heart); Angie Wilson (possible ALS diagnosis); 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 is-  
sues)  
Bowman Stephanie Piraino (daughter—cancerous thyroid removed and undergoing treatment)  
Budkey Dave Perenic (return of prostate cancer); Dianne & Douglas Raynor (Dianne—broken leg and  
Douglas—prostate cancer); Rob Grier (102 yrs. old—in ICU with double pneumonia); Becca  
Tate (friend—breast cancer); Richard Hedgcock (bone cancer)  
Butler Ed Tweedy (resident at Terra Bella in Greensboro)  
Chaplin Elizabeth Fellicili (cancer)  
Downing Leanna Visser (broken ankle); Steve Miller (Shari’s brother—cancer)  
Joy & Jim Chip Cole (friend—brain bleed); Mickey Hull (friend—health issues)  
Polinsky Chad Amond (nephew—primary progressive aphasia)  
Roudabush Tim Roudabush (Dottie’s son—health issues); Dottie’s daughter-in-law’s mother (health issues)  
Self Lee Self (Norman & Lynda’s son—Kidney surg. Tuesday, 6/25)  
G. Sharp Brenda Johnson (former choir director—assisted living in Walnut Cove)  
S. Sharp Tommy Carter (1st stage prostate cancer); Maria Gomes (friend of Spence & Paulo)  
Sudderth George Peace (cancer)  
Tincher Bernice Tincher (Rich’s mom—health issues)  
Unknown Kara S. (cancer treatment—healing)  
Volcek Brooke Simpson and her 11-year-old twins, Vincent and Ariaah (severely burned in house fire)

**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**

G. Sharp Rabbi & Shari Mann (safe in Jerusalem)



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July 7, 2024 — Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

### GATHERING

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Great is our God and greatly to be praised. Worship the One whose grace covers all our needs.

**All: The God of hosts is with us here. We praise, with joy, God’s holy name.**

One: Ponder God’s steadfast love in the temple. Practice sharing that love while we are together.

**All: God’s love is amazing, beyond our understanding. We seek to share the love we are receiving.**

One: We are here to be equipped for the journey of life. We have gathered that our daily witness might be empowered.

**All: Sometimes we are not strong enough to love. We pray that God will use our weakness for good. Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN NO. 307

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

CWM RHONDDA

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

When we ponder the vast universe at your command, O God, we are astounded. We are nothing, except that you have given us life. How often we have squandered that gift in meaningless pursuits, killing time we might have invested in honoring you! Instead we have belittled your prophets and made light of your commands. We alternate between boasting over personal accomplishments and near-panic at our inability to cope with life's challenges. O God, we confess our desperate need for healing, forgiveness, and a new perspective on life. *(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: Rejoice that the judgments of God are ever tempered with mercy. God understands our weaknesses and is acquainted with our needs. The grace of God is sufficient to cover our sin, for power is made perfect in weakness. When we recognize our weakness, God can strengthen us. When we accept the reign of love among us, we are empowered to be the church, reaching out to a sick and troubled world. 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.*

Ezekiel 2:1-5

Mark 6:1-13

### SERMON

*“Are You Listening?”*

Rev. John Pruitt

## SENDING

### \*HYMN NO. 722

*“Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak”*

CANONBURY

### \*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. 720

*“Jesus Calls Us”*

GALILEE

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

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#### Serving Today (Jul 7)

Greeters/Ushers: Joy Lynn Budkey, Jim Ingram

#### Serving Next Sunday (Jul 14—Communion)

Greeters/Ushers: Joy Lynn Budkey, Jim Ingram

Element Prep: Lynda Self, Wanda Sampson

Assisting Elders: Lynda Self, Nancy Bolen,

Skip Smith, Kerry Kerr

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