

Worship on the Lord's Day

November 22, 2020

Christ the King/Reign of Christ

Ten O'clock

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

MINISTRY OF FRIENDSHIP -

PREPARE TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Now Thank We All/Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

arr. Cindy Berry

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

People: **His steadfast love endures through all generations.**

Leader: Blessed be the Lord, our God, who does wondrous things.

People: **Blessed be His glorious name forever! May His glory fill our lives!**

*INVOCATION

Liturgist

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

1. Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.
God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied;
Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.
2. All the world is God's own field, fruit unto God's praise to yield.
Wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.
3. Even so, Lord, quickly come to Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou Thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin.
There forever purified, in Thy presence to abide;
Come, with all Thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, behold us and hear us for the erring children that we are. Gifted with sight, we miss the glory that surrounds us; gifted with conscience, we make our peace with sin; gifted with the power to think, we fall for lies that cater to our prejudices; gifted with imagination, we plod along afraid to dream as hope; gifted with love, we waste our affection on things that matter little. Forgive our misuse of life, and grant that the very act of penitence may get us started in a new direction, lest we gain the world and lose our souls. AMEN.

SILENT CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON/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. A-men A-men.*

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you!**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Congregational Response

PRAYER RESPONSE

*Before our Father's throne, we pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.*

SOUNDS OF GRACE

The Thank You, Lord Medley

Sharon & Cheryl White

SCRIPTURE LESSON

New Testament Readings

Matthew 25:31-46

SERMON

"Christ's Way of Meeting Us"

Rev. Doug Blaikie

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Liturgist

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.

GIVING OUR GIFTS TO GOD'S WORK

Offertory

Give Thanks

Henry Smith

*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.

Prayer of Dedication

*CLOSING HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God

see insert

*BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Let the peace of Christ rule in your heart.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your heart,

And whatever you do, in word or deed

Do it in the name of the Lord.

Giving thanks, giving thanks to God, thro' Christ the Lord;

Giving thanks, giving thanks to God, thro' Christ, the Lord.

*POSTLUDE

Let All Things Now Living

Welsh Folk Melody

*Please stand, if able

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Remember in Prayer

Closing Hymn – Now Thank We All Our God

1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours **today**.
2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.
3. All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given.
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
The God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

On June 21st, 2020 the Session, after listening to feedback and suggestions from the first two “in-person” worship services, approved the following changes to in person worship.

- Worshippers are welcome to participate in worship responses and singing **IF** they wear a protective mask.
- The congregation will exit the sanctuary by rows guided by ushers and requested to completely exit the building into the parking lot before congregating in fellowship.
- The worship time for children will only be available on-line until children return to worship services.
- The online worship service will return to being recorded earlier in the week so that it can be made available at 10:00 am Sunday.
- All other safe worship practices will be maintained as previously communicated.

How Do I Contact My Pastor? Rev. Blaikie is available in the church office Tuesday – Friday between 9:00 am – Noon. Otherwise, you may contact him on one of the phones shown below:

Church office (803) 328-1360

Manse (803) 329-6441

Cell Phone (803) 833-201

At Bethesda

Michelle Melton
Bill Dover
Sonny Moore
Eddie Alan Smith, back
PNC Committee
Lou Anne Hildebrand- back pain

Steve Rawdon (Ruth's husband)
Ethan Hose
Ruth Rawdon, back surgery
Anita Ferguson Buffolino
Ray Johnson
Joni Walker- back

Homebound: Robert Jones (Brookdale- Spring Arbor), Billie Ann Burton (Carolina Gardens)

In the Community and Beyond

Dorothy Hazard (LaRayne's sister-in-law)
Doris Duncan (Christine McCraven's mother) ALS
“Leggs”
Amanda Hall (LaRayne's daughter) leukemia
Paul Short (Lindy's father)
Karen Blaikie (Doug's sister-in-law) cancer
Larry Rockholt (Carolyn's son)
Barbara Good (Debbie Darby's mother) cancer
Mary Parkman (Walkers' friend) stomach cancer
Cheryl Hughes, spine surgery
Mattie Thomas (Jim Percival's cousin's granddaughter)
Heath (Tara Rogers' 3 year old friend) cancer
Karen Starkey, cancer (husband runs nearby garage at Gordon Rd.)
Jeff Lewis (Josh Stallard's friend) lung surgery
Ella Kingston (Lou Anne's 2 yr old friend) genetic disorder
Shay Turney (Doris Jonas' daughter)
Brian Hughes (Phil & Cheryl's son) hospitalized in North Dakota, COVID-19 & pneumonia

Hildegard and Jim Bell's granddaughter, lupus
Jessie Mitchell (Childers' friend) cancer
Vivian Fulmer (Bobby's mother)
Casey Lane (Nancy Smith's nephew) dialysis
Ellen Green
Scott McDaniel (Bill Dover's son-in-law)
Edna Rhinehart (Carolyn Rockholt's sister)
Joe Ligon (Carol Hope's uncle) cancer
Tommy Ligon (Carol Hope's cousin) stroke
Phil Hughes, leukemia, Atrium- bone marrow transplant
Johnny Rockholt (Faye's son)
Josh Turney (Doris Jonas' grandson)
Blakely Percival- spinal surgery 11-2-20

Bethesda Global Mission Partners:

The Matias Family in Brazil and Tito Palacios in Guatemala

TODAY'S NURSERY WORKERS

Nursery service suspended for now

NEXT SUNDAY'S NURSERY WORKERS

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NOVEMBER USHERS

Linda Messer, Steve Childers, Debbie Simpson

The BPC Calendar

Sunday	9:45 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 4:00 pm 5:30 pm	Sunday School —Cancelled Worship Children’s Church- Fellowship Hall Property Committee- Fellowship Hall Pickle ball Family Life Center - Cancelled
Monday	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts- Picnic Shelter/Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Cub Scouts- Picnic Shelter/Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Wednesday Dinner - Cancelled Choir Music Room -Cancelled
Thursday		Thanksgiving Holiday- Church Office Closed
Friday		Thanksgiving Holiday- Church Office Closed
Saturday	9:00 am	Hanging of the Green

Life of the Church

WELCOME TO BETHESDA PRESBYTERIAN! We are glad you’re here. We hope all here will feel at home, strengthened in your faith, and that the Lord will be honored as we worship Him and respond in discipleship. If you have special needs, questions about Bethesda, or need Nursery assistance for children, please see one of our Ushers. If you are a guest who has been attending who is interested in becoming a member, we would love for you to see an Usher to discuss what it means to be a Presbyterian and a member of our church. Bethesda is a congregation of the **PCUSA**.

2020 FLOWER CHART: Flower chart is in the Sunday School building- sign up to place flowers in Sanctuary for Sunday morning worship and, if you wish info in bulletin on that Sunday, notify secretary, Pat Jones, at 803-328-1360 or email bethesda@comporium.net by previous Tuesday.

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary to the **glory of God by Bobby and Debbie Fulmer**.

Next Sunday, November 29 will be a collection day for **PATH**. Please bring non-perishable food and/or hygiene items.

In order to make the necessary safety precautions, **TGIF Wednesday Dinners will start on December 2**. More details to come.

Thursday Bible study will not meet this week.

There will be no Community Thanksgiving Service this year.

Bulletins- If you know of someone who can’t attend in person and needs a bulletin each week by email or mail, please let the church office know.

Children’s Church. Any children ages 3 and above are invited to come to children’s church during the regular worship time. We will meet in the fellowship hall where we can practice social distancing. During this time, we will have a worship service, a lesson, and some fun activities. When parents come to church, they can just leave their children at the fellowship hall. We do ask that the children wear masks during this time. We hope this will allow parents and children to fully enjoy their worship time.

Operation Christmas Child – Any shoebox items being brought to Bethesda need to be dropped off at the church by 2:00 today. We will wrap the shoeboxes and drop take them to a drop off location on November 23.

However, there are still opportunities to participate after today.

-Take filled shoeboxes directly to a drop off location the week of November 16-23. The following website lists drop off locations and times in our area.

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/drop-off-locations/>

-Bethesda also has set up an online page so that anyone can build a shoebox online. Just go to the following website, and build a shoebox online to help meet the Bethesda goal of 25 boxes.

<https://build-a-shoebox.samaritanspurse.org/goal/view/3e307657-3485-4ad0-a4a7-d6a243d174a4>

Heifer Advent Calendar: We will have advent calendars available for the children in the fellowship hall on **November 29**. The advent calendars were supplied by Heifer International, and we will use them to encourage support for their mission. The mission of Heifer International is to end hunger and poverty while caring for the Earth. Heifer does this by providing appropriate livestock, training and related services to small-scale farmers and communities worldwide. All students at Children’s Church will receive a calendar on November 29. WE will also discuss the mission of Heifer International and ways that we can support their mission. Members of the congregation are also welcome to come pick up a calendar in the fellowship hall to share with children in their families.

Do you recycle? If so, start saving your plastics because Bethesda is going to participate in the Trex Plastic Recycling Challenge! Save your grocery bags, bread bags, case overwrap, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, ice bags, wood pellet bags, ziplock & other resealable bags, produce bags, bubble wrap, salt bags, and cereal bags. All materials must be clean, dry and free of food residue. A container will be placed on the Fellowship Hall porch to collect the plastics. If we collect 500 pounds of plastic by April 15, Trex will award us with a beautiful Trex bench. It sounds impossible; but it’s not-hundreds of schools and churches have done this. This bench will be placed near the playground beside the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday Worship is available on the YouTube channel on our website. www.bethesdapres.org Check the **Bethesda website for updates, information and family resources.**

Join Pastor Doug each week for an “on-line” Bible Study. The new Study is on the Minor Prophets. Bible Study Lessons will be posted each Friday morning on our church YouTube Channel www.bethesdapres.org. Gather together, share with friends and family as we grow in God’s Word together.

Feed the Hungry: Mobile Food Pantry Sites for November and December 2020

November 30: 9:00 am- Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, 1875 Ridge Rd., Clover

December 14: 9:00 am- Jerusalem Baptist Church, 435 Farris Rd., Clover

December 30: 9:00 am- Green Pond UMC, 983 Bethel St., Clover

Thank you in advance for your assistance with these pantries. Questions? Call Catawba Area Agency on Aging 803-329-9670.

Sharing our passion for Christ in the neighborhood and the world: **Bethesda weekly worship services and Bible study lesson are available on YouTube.** Follow the link from the Bethesda Website (bethesdapres.org) to the Bethesda YouTube channel. While there subscribe to the channel and share this link with others. We are a spiritually connected church.

SESSION

Class of 2020

Ralph Adams
Mark Boyd
Steve Childers
Stacy Russell

Class of 2021

Trudy Amick
Bobby Fulmer
Jim Percival
Debbie Simpson

Class of 2022

Ernice Bookout
Irvin Jones
Linda Messer
Dorothy Williamson

John Nettles, Clerk of Session

Todd Russell, Treasurer

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent.....
Assistant Adam Cole

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