

# Worship on the Lord's Day

September 17, 2017

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Eleven O'clock

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ralph Adams

MINISTRY OF FRIENDSHIP - -

PREPARE TO WORSHIP

Please sign attendance registers

PRELUDE

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship/O Worship the King-

Doerksen/Fettke

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Pastor:** Behold, God is doing a new thing.

**People:** *Here. Now. In the midst of our routines.*

**Pastor:** The Holy One who created heaven and earth forms us afresh today.

**People:** *Let our spirits rise to greet our Maker.*

\*INVOCATION

\*HYMNS OF PRAISE

This is the Day & Surely the Presence of the Lord

*THIS IS THE DAY*

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made;

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

*SURELY THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD*

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;

I can feel His mighty power and His grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face.

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Caring and compassionate Creator, we enter this place set apart for your worship, knowing that we have failed to see you in other places. We have ignored your beauty around us, in earth and sky, in plants and creatures, in the people who surround us. We have chosen to live more by our fears than by our faith, to be weighed down by what we do not have, rather than rejoicing in your gifts to us. In these moments together, draw us so close that we cannot help but know every day that you are with us, wherever we go. Enlarge our capacity to care, so we may see you in all whom we meet. In Jesus' name. 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!**

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN (*After the Children's Sermon, children are led to Children's Church*)

Mrs. Sarah

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.*

VOICES OF GRACE

A Broken Spirit

Harris/Nystrom

SCRIPTURE LESSON

New Testament Reading

Matthew 18:21-35

SERMON

"Forgiveness- A Healing Word"

Rev. Doug Blaikie

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**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

Thou Art Worthy

Pauling M. Mills

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*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.*

\*CLOSING HYMN

Take the Name of Jesus with You

see insert

\*BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the love of God, our Father;*

*And the fellowship of the Spirit be with us –*

*Forever, and ever, forevermore. Amen*

\*POSTLUDE

How Can I Keep From Singing

Lowry/Smith

*\*Please stand, if able*

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## Remember in Prayer

### At Bethesda

Geraldine Blackmon	Michelle Melton
Edna Pinson	Steve Rawdon (Ruth's husband)
Bill Dover	Jonathan Lauckner & family (2 <sup>nd</sup> heart bypass)
Vic Adkins	Jimmy Neely (Westminster)
Robert Jones (Brookdale- Spring Arbor)	Claire Williamson, surgery 8-28-17
Gloria Melton Hope	

**Homebound:** Nancy Moore (Carolina Gardens) and Amelia Simmers

**Deaths:** Family and Friends of Donald Paul Bailey, Jr. (David & Esther Bailey's nephew) 9-2-17

### In the Community and Beyond

Larry Rockholt (Carolyn's son)	Chris Brackett (Gwen Carpenter's brother)
Pat Jones Reeves (Retired CDC Teacher)	Virginia & Randy Medley (Beaty Family)
Lilly Davis (Bill Davis' grandmother)	Melvin Collins (Becky Adams' father) heart condition
Christine Roberts	Catherine Porter family(her cousin's daughter)- fatal disease
Dorothy Hazard (LaRayne's sister-in-law)	Erlene Henderson(Julie Cornwell's mother) broken shoulder
Natalie Bentos-Pereira (Old Pointe 5 <sup>th</sup> grade student)	Gene Carter (Jimmy Carter's brother)
Jennifer Simmons (Faye Rockholt's granddaughter)	Reed Wagner (Hildegard Bell's friend) leukemia
Woody Percival(Mike Percival's brother)	Elsa Carabello (Lauren & Emily Medley's aunt) cancer
Martha Costner (Liz Blackwell's mother)	Laney Allen ( Mike Percival's brother-in-law)
Julie Pickel (Debbie Simpson's daughter's friend's mother)	uterine cancer
Eva Bailey (10 yr. old daughter of Christina Hibbard's co-worker)	leukemia

### Bethesda Global Mission Partners:

The Matias Family in Brazil, Tito Palacios in Guatemala, and the Driggers Family in Papua New Guinea

#### TODAY'S NURSERY WORKERS

Debbie Darby and Edith Gordon  
Youth Helper: Will Johnston

#### NEXT SUNDAY'S NURSERY WORKERS

Donna Hagler and Edie Nettles  
Youth Helper: Adam Cole

#### SEPTEMBER USHERS

Trey Amick, Ralph Adams, Ernice Bookout

#### TODAY'S CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Liz Blackwell and Cathy Goodband

### **Take the Name of Jesus with You**

1. Take the name of Jesus with you, child of sorrow and of woe;  
It will joy and comfort give you, take it, then, where'er you go.

#### Refrain:

Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heav'n;  
Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heav'n.

2. Take the name of Jesus ever, as a shield from every snare;  
If temptations round you gather, breathe that holy name in prayer.  
(repeat refrain)
3. O the precious name of Jesus! How it thrills our souls with joy,  
With His loving arms receive us and His songs our tongues employ!  
(repeat refrain)
4. At the name of Jesus bowing, falling prostrate at His feet;  
King of kings in heav'n we'll crown Him when our journey is complete.  
(repeat refrain)

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### *The BPC Calendar*

Sunday	9:15 am	Morning Prayer
	9:30 am	Prayer with Holy Conversations Team- Sanctuary
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	5:00 – 6:30 pm	Youth- Gym
	6:30 pm	Personnel Committee- Session Room
	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Monday	6:00 pm	Evening Circle- Becky Adams' House
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts- Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	9:30-3:00 pm	Bethelwoods- TTT Fall Trip
	7:00 pm	Cub Scouts- Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Dinner- Fellowship Hall
	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday	7:00 pm	Bible Study- Fellowship Hall

### *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** and a member of **The Fellowship of Presbyterians**.

**2017 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 328-1360 or email [bethesda@comporium.net](mailto:bethesda@comporium.net) by previous Tuesday.

The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary to the **Glory of God** by **Janie Sullivan**.

Next Sunday, September 24 is a collection day for **PATH**. Please bring non-perishable food and/or hygiene items.

**The Evening Circle** will meet on Monday, September 18 at 6:00 pm at Becky Adams' House.

**Pastor Appreciation Luncheon:** Mark your calendars. The month of October is Pastor Appreciation Month. The Congregational Life and Care Committee invites the members of the congregation to a covered dish Pastor Appreciation Luncheon in the Family Life Center following the morning worship service on Sunday, October 1, 2017. (Drinks will be provided.) Please bring your favorite covered dishes and join us in showing our gratitude to Rev. Doug Blaikie for his service as Interim Pastor at Bethesda.

**Bethesda Buddies** are coming back to Bethesda! Not familiar with Bethesda Buddies? This is a program where an adult member is paired with a child or youth to pray for and encourage each other and get to know each other. If you would like for your child to participate, information forms are in the vestibule and the front left pew of the church. Pick one of these up, fill it out, and return to Sarah or Karen by October 8. After all the child/youth participation forms are collected, the names of those participating will be placed on the bulletin board in the Sunday School Building and adults who want to participate will pick a name. This is a great intergenerational way for our members to get to know each other and care for one another. The Christian Education Committee hopes that you will consider participating.

**TTT Fall Trip- Bethelwoods-** Join us as we take a trip to Discovery Place IMAX on Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> to see "Dream Big," a journey through the past and future of human engineering! We'll meet at Bethelwoods at 9:30 am and return by 3:00 pm. Cost of \$15 includes transportation and cost of film. Bring additional money (\$10-15) for lunch after the film. RSVP required by Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. Contact Cameron Pruette, Program Coordinator, at **(803)366-3722** or [cameron@bethelwoods.org](mailto:cameron@bethelwoods.org)

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FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)  
INVITES YOU  
TO THE DEDICATION AND CELEBRATION SERVICE  
OF OUR NEW WORSHIP CENTER

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2017 AT 3:00 PM

7520 Charlotte Highway, Indian Land, SC 29707  
(Hwy 521 and Van Wyck Road, at the light)

The Rev. Dr. David M. Bender, Pastor, Faith Presbyterian Church  
The Rev. Dr. Mark Verdery, Executive Presbyter, Providence Presbytery

*Refreshments following the service*

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Financial assistance may be available through our **Church's Benevolence Fund** for those in our church or community needing help on power bills, rent or other needs. Application for this assistance can be made through the church office and will then be reviewed by the Benevolence Team for action.

#### **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 (313) 580-7961

#### **August 2017 Financial Update**

INCOME \$15,533.81

EXPENSE 18,254.49

NET LOSS (\$ 2,720.68)

**SESSION**

**Class of 2017**

Ralph Adams  
Elizabeth Blackwell  
Ernice Bookout  
Faye Boyd  
John Nettles  
Stacy Russell

**Class of 2018**

Darius Alexander  
Trey Amick  
Todd Russell

**Class of 2019**

Debbie Darby  
Cheryl Forlines  
Karen Percival

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Superintendent..... Mike Percival/Carol Hope

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

Moderator..... Carol Hope  
Vice Moderator..... Nell Glover  
Secretary..... Donna Hagler  
Treasurer..... Barbara Thompson

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