

<p><u>IN THE LORD'S SERVICE</u> <u>Alcolyte:</u> Alonzo Cunningham <u>Cross Bearer:</u> Tommy Simmons <u>Elder(s) of the Month:</u> Greg Reitzel & Michael Lingle <u>Nursery Attendant:</u> Sonya Starnes</p>	<p><u>REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:</u> <u>Liturgist:</u> Dennis Falder <u>Lay Reader:</u> Tera Rockett <u>Flower Calendar:</u> Jennifer Lingle</p>
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Flowers By Lester Lane
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To ensure your flowers are delivered by Sunday, Lester Lane asks that you give him plenty of time to get your vases together. He requests that calls be made by TUESDAY of the week that you have flowers. Tamara will try to get reminders out as soon as possible during the week. Thank you for your help in this matter.

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NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 7, 2022—10:30 A.M.

**Denotes "Those who are able please stand."*

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Peggy Stout

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE Marty Light (*recording*)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*based on Psalm 27 & John 4:23*) Naomi Smith, Liturgist
Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

Let us come with shouts of joy to sing and make music to the Lord.
Let us worship God in spirit and in truth, that He may teach us His ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION (*Responsively*) Naomi Smith, Liturgist
Mighty God, we do not yet see the glory you plan for all humankind, but in faith we see and know Jesus. We thank you for the humility and holiness with which He lived and died. We praise you that He freed us from our sin, that He comforts and strengthens us through our struggles, and that He gives us courage to follow Him. For this, we now join all creation and shout for joy: ***Holy, holy, holy are you, O Lord! Amen.***

*HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #318 Blue Book

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Peggy Stout
Loving God, you have sent us your Son Jesus the Christ, the "Bread of Life," to satisfy our spiritual hunger.

Forgive us, O Lord, when we try everything else before we turn to you!
You have blessed our lives in so many ways, but what we often focus on are the problems and the obstacles, rather than the possibilities.
Forgive us, O Lord, when we only see the negative and fail to trust you with our concerns.

Renew our faith and restore us in the ways of Christ, who taught us to pray:

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



OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 33:12-22

¹²Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he chose for his inheritance. ¹³From heaven the LORD looks down and sees all mankind; ¹⁴from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth—¹⁵he who forms the hearts of all, who considers everything they do. ¹⁶No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength. ¹⁷A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; despite all its great strength it cannot save. ¹⁸But the eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love, ¹⁹to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine. ²⁰We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. ²¹In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. ²²May your unfailing love be with us, LORD, even as we put our hope in you.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

OLD TESTAMENT READING #2 *Esther 4:6-16*

⁶So Hathak went out to Mordecai in the open square of the city in front of the king’s gate. ⁷Mordecai told him everything that had happened to him, including the exact amount of money Haman had promised to pay into the royal treasury for the destruction of the Jews. ⁸He also gave him a copy of the text of the edict for their annihilation, which had been published in Susa, to show to Esther and explain it to her, and he told him to instruct her to go into the king’s presence to beg for mercy and plead with him for her people. ⁹Hathak went back and reported to Esther what Mordecai had said. ¹⁰Then she instructed him to say to Mordecai, ¹¹“All the king’s officials and the people of the royal provinces know that for any man or woman who approaches the king in the inner court without being summoned the king has but one law: that they be put to death unless the king extends the gold scepter to them and spares their lives. But thirty days have passed since I was called to go to the king.” ¹²When Esther’s words were reported to Mordecai, ¹³he sent back this answer: “Do not think that because you are in the king’s house you alone of all the Jews will escape. ¹⁴For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father’s family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?” ¹⁵Then Esther sent this reply to Mordecai: ¹⁶“Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my attendants will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

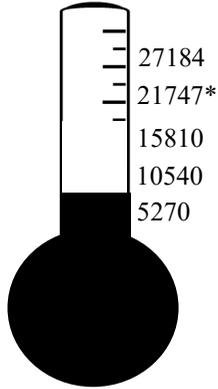
Congregational CARE NOTES today! There are Care Note pads provided on the end of each pew. Please take a moment to write a note of care, thought, or appreciation to someone on the church prayer list. *Please write their name on the top of the paper.* We will take the notes up after the service and mail them directly to the person’s home.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits

<u>RECUPERATING AT HOME</u>	<u>PIEDMONT CROSSINGS (Thomasville)</u>
Don Patrick Martha Sigmon Margie Reaves Rev. Earle Potts	Linda Hill Virginia Brown Paul Towery Sherry Eckard
<u>HOMEBOUND</u>	<u>ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:</u>
Diane Loftin Wanda Sue Ammerman	Larry Pope—at home, recuperating from COVID Jo Ann Simmons—hip replacement surgery on Aug. 8th @ CVMC
<u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u>	*Dr. Bob Andrews (husband of Barbara Andrews) - at home, recuperating
<u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u>	*Kim Crotts (husband of Debbie Crotts)
Joan Williamson (Room 240) Joe Schell (Apt 205)	*Michael Gantt (son of Charles & Brenda Gantt)
<u>CONOVER NURSING/REHAB</u>	
Pauline Pope (Room 101)	
<u>CV ASSISTED LIVING</u>	
Mary Crump (Room 114)	
<u>GATEWAY (Lenoir)</u>	
Pat Roark (Room E-146)	
<u>TRINITY VILLAGE</u>	
Sarah Hoffman (Room 1009) Bobbie Whisenant (Room 405)	

On behalf of all of us at the Blowing Rock Conference Center, I would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting our ministry with your generous donation of \$500 to the Bourdon Fund. Gifts to the fund have a dual purpose: one-half of the gifts are used to build up the fund’s equity and the other half will help to support the work of our long-term programs and ministries here at BRCC.

- Sincerely, Ted Wilson (Executive Director, BRCC)



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF JULY</u>				
	Sanctuary	Lahu	Livestream	Envelope Giving
July 03	65	24	45	\$ 3,665.95
July 10	61	11	46	\$ 2,819.50
July 17	77	24	43	\$ 3,353.50
July 24	91	12	38	\$ 4,392.50
July 31	80	18	43	\$ 3,517.00
TOTALS	374	89	215	\$ 17,748.45

Goal for a four week month is \$21,747* and for a five week month is \$27,184.

This Week

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
10:30am—YouTube Live Stream
11:30am—Consistory Meeting

MONDAY, AUGUST 8

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

5:00pm—Singles Outing, Jin's Buffet
5:30pm—Board of Property Meeting
7:00pm—Board of Christian Ed Mtg.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

9:30am—Hugs & Stitches Ministry
6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

*Helpers needed to cook BBQ
100pm—LEC Reserved (Spain)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
10:30am—YouTube Live Stream
11:30am—Lemonade/Cookie Fellowship, out under portico

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Apostle's Creed*)

Todd Dickerson

Let us confess the faith of our baptism:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

ORGAN INTERLUDE

Marty Light (*recording*)

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Rev. Peggy Stout

Offertory

*Doxology

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"
***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*Offertory Prayer

*HYMN

"Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult"

#399 Blue Book

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE

Marty Light (*recording*)



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given in Loving Memory of Donna Griffin Cox and in Loving Honor of Stan & Margie Griffin's 70th Anniversary!

- Given by their Church Family

THIS Tuesday, August 9th:

The Board of Property will meet at 5:30pm and the Board of Christian Ed will meet at 7:00pm.