

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

TEN-THIRTY A.M.

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| WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS | | Rev. Joe Collins |
| *GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS | | |
| PRELUDE | <i>“Grand March”</i> | Stephenson/Catena |
| PRESENTING THE CROSS | | |
| PRESENTING THE LIGHT | | |
| INTROIT | <i>“Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring”</i> | Chancel Choir |
| *HYMN | <i>“The Church In The Wildwood”</i> | No. 121 (Cokesbury) |
| PASTORAL PRAYER | | Rev. Joe Collins |
| THE LORD’S PRAYER | | |
| CHILDREN’S CORNER | | Jeanna Spiker |
| OFFERING | | |
| Offertory | <i>“Ivory Palaces”</i> | Stephenson/Catena |
| *Doxology | | No. 95 |
| SCRIPTURE LESSON | Ephesians 2:4-10 | OT, Pg. 182 |
| MESSAGE | “A Bridge to Somewhere” | Rev. Joe Collins |
| HOLY COMMUNION | | No. 12-16 |
| ANTHEM | <i>“Let Us Break Bread Together”</i> | Chancel Choir |
| *HYMN | <i>“Jesus Saves”</i> | No. 131 (Cokesbury) |
| *CHORAL BENEDICTION | <i>“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”</i> | Chancel Choir |
| *POSTLUDE | <i>“Coro”</i> | Handel |

*Please stand if able

CHANCEL FLOWERS:

The flowers are placed in the church today to the glory of God and in honor of Linda Barger by Vernon and Betty Smith.

KITCHEN & HOMECOMING COMMITTEES will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 5, at 7:00pm.

UMKIDS (ages 3 through 5th grade) will start Wednesday night classes this Wednesday, Sept. 6. Parents may drop their children off on the playground starting at 5:15. Supper is at 5:30 in the fellowship hall. You may pick your child up between 7:15 and 7:30 on the playground.

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY will start this Wednesday, September 6. Supper at 5:30 with Bible study from 6 to 7:30 pm.

Youth Prayer Breakfast and Prayer in the Parlor for our Children and Youth will begin this Thursday, Sept. 7. Prayer breakfast starts at 7 am at Home Folks. Prayer in the Parlor is at 8 am. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE will meet on Thursday, Sept. 7, at 7:00pm in the parlor.

Mark Lee from Third Day will be in concert at First Presbyterian Church in Gastonia on Sunday, September 10. **The YOUTH** will be attending this free concert. We will leave the church at 6:00 pm. We only have 20 spots reserved. Let Jeanna know if you are going as soon as possible.

Wednesday Fellowship meals followed by a Pastor's Bible Study begin September 13. Meal at 5:30 pm for UMK's and their parents; 6 pm for adults. Cost is by donation. *Any organization within the church interested in preparing and serving a Wednesday night meal (September 13 - October 25), please contact the church office.*

The United Methodist Church is responding in the aftermath of **Hurricane Harvey**. During Communion today or next Sunday, September 10 we will take up a special offering for this cause. If you would like to contribute to this, please mark in the memo section of your check "*Texas Disaster Response*" and place it in the baskets at the altar or in the offering plate.

Our fall festival will be Sunday, Oct. 8, 4:00PM at the home of Warren and Sandra Beam. A special thanks to the Beams' who willingly open their home to our church. Hotdogs will be served and we ask that you bring your favorite dessert or appetizer and a lawn chair. Don't miss this afternoon of great fellowship!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sunday, September 3

9:30am - Sunday School

10:30am - Worship

Monday, September 4

Church office closed

Tuesday, September 5

7:00pm - Kitchen & Homecoming committees meet

Wednesday, September 6

5:30pm - UMK's

6:00pm - Youth Bible Study

6:30pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal

7:00pm - UMW Executive Board meeting

Thursday, September 7

7:00am - Youth Prayer Breakfast at Homefolk's Café

7:00pm - Education Committee meeting

Sunday, September 10

8:45am - Early Worship

9:45am - Sunday School

11:00am - Worship

6:00pm - Youth

Monday, September 11

2:00pm - Lola Allran Circle

7:00pm - Vera Eaker Circle

7:00pm - Callie Beam Circle

7:00pm - Aunt Pearl Circle

Tuesday, September 12

7:00pm - Worship Committee meeting

STEWARDSHIP REPORT AUG. 27, 2017

Previous Total \$217,186.95

Offering \$5,270.00

Total To Date \$222,456.95

Needs To Date \$241,053.05

ATTENDANCE – AUGUST 27, 2017

Sunday School 75

Worship 134

USHERS TODAY:

Michael Baity, David Baity, Kristen Husen, Harlee Austin, Patience Foster

NURSERY WORKERS:

Sept. 3 - Julie Wyatt & Loren Stroupe

Sept. 10 - Kelly Brown & Preston Elliott

PRAYER LIST (Members)

Bo Baity, Joanne Carpenter, Anne Dellinger, Cheryl Dobson, Buzz Eaker, Nell Griggs, Nora Heavner, Aura Ann McGinnis, Barbara McGinnis, Sue Nolen, Debbie Payseur, Becky Phillips, Karleen Price, Frances Putnam, Margaret Smith, C.V. Thornburg, Earlene Williams, and all our homebound and nursing home members.

PRAYER LIST (Family & Friends)

Kristen & Seth Austin & unborn baby, Allie Beam, Shaunda Camp, Morgan Drum Morrow, Mary Wheatley, Linda Whitworth and our loved ones in the military.

LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY:

#Ethan Beck, #Jake Dellinger, Aron Dickerson, Kenny Greene, Jessica Lovell, *Travis Kiser, Cody Spiker.

Church Member; *Stationed in the Middle East