



Today's altar flower arrangement is given by Patricia Woody to the glory of God, in memory of her beloved son, Robert Woody, and in honor of her mother, Estelle Perry Willard.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Nick Reynolds 8/8
Virginia Griffin 8/8
Louise Barnett 8/9
Gary Cooper 8/9

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Greeters: Patricia Woody
Ushers: Bob Abrahamson, Bob Lawton, Jean Lawton, Bill Blanchard
Acolyte: Grier Ingalls
Liturgist: Ray Pollard
Deacon on Call: Russ Martin
Communion Deacons: Russ Martin, Rosilyn Dudley, Derek Tang, Gary Weerts

WEEKLY GIVING

Received Last Week: \$3,626.13
Received to Date: \$300,116.62
Expenses to Date: \$301,573.49
NBF Last Week: \$1,395.06
NBF Loan Balance: \$569,561.00

Elon Community Church Staff

Senior Pastor
Rev. Randy Orwig
Associate Pastor
Rev. Sharon Wheeler
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THIS WEEK AT ELON COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday 8/5

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service

Tuesday 8/7

8:00 am LIFT Exercise Class

Wednesday 8/8

5:15 pm QiGong
8:00 pm AA

Thursday 8/9

8:00 am LIFT Exercise Class
3:00 pm Farmers' Market
6:00 pm Overeaters Anon.

Friday 8/10

6:30 pm NA

Sunday 8/12

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
12:00 pm Football Sunday Lunch
5:15 pm Hospitality Committee
5:30 pm Music Committee
6:30 pm Church Night
7:30 pm Church Council

WE'RE ON THE WEB:

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ALLIED CHURCHES PANTRY NEEDS: Recently Ray and Gayle Pollard took the bread to the pantry and could not believe how bare the shelves were. One of the long-time volunteers said she couldn't remember when they had so little. Therefore, the Mission and Outreach Board would like to send out an appeal for non-perishable food items to be brought to the church. They especially need breakfast items, canned meat and peanut butter. Thank you for your help!

FOOTBALL SUNDAY RETURNS ON AUGUST 12! One of the biggest worship services of the year as we welcome 115 visitors into church for worship, blessing the team, and the largest meal of year we hold! Make sure you plan to attend for this wondrous tradition! Drinks, chicken, pot roast, mashed potatoes, and macaroni and cheese will be provided. The congregation is asked to bring salads, vegetables, pasta, and desserts. They love our homemade food, so please bring a generous amount! Sign up on the insert in the bulletin.

CLASSROOM CLOSET COLLECTION: During the month of July we will be collecting school supply items for Alamance County's Classroom Closet. This is a place where teachers from our county may go to get supplies for their classrooms. Do you know that with budgets cuts to our education programs, teachers spend on the average of \$1,000 a year on supplies for their classroom? They need help from the community. Please check out the school supply sales now going on and pick up notebooks, paper, pencils, glue and glue sticks, crayons, and more! Boxes will be in the narthex and atrium to place the items in. Thanks for your help!

women's under the parasol tea: The Women's Under the Parasol Tea will be held on August 26 from 2-4 pm in the Community Life Center. A variety of teas will be provided. Women's Ministries will discuss the programs available at the church. Hats and gloves are optional. Keep an eye out for sign-ups in the bulletin. All women of the church are invited!

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE! Click or scan the QR Code on the top right of our website, eloncommunitychurch.org. Or look for the QR Code in the bulletin and Torch! From here you can use a credit card to fulfill pledge obligations or donate to various other funds. You can also go to the Finance Tab on our website to set up an account for regular giving!

CHAT AND CHOW will meet next at 5:30 pm on Friday, August 10 at O'Charley's on Huffman Mill Road in Burlington. Please sign-up on the insert if you plan to attend. Please see Margaret McTaggart with any questions.

Green Church Suggestion: Mercury is present in small quantities in fluorescent bulbs, and in larger quantities in older thermostats and some light switches. These items must be disposed of at a hazardous waste collection site.

Prayer List

Lori Cole	Stuart Hoyle	Howard Welborn	Estelle Willard
Don and Shirley Judd	Bill Franklin	Victoria Hughes	Brittany Rogers
Dominick Lawrence	Carolyn Loritsch	Lynne Horne	Lee Emily
Terry Mitchell	Terry Merced	Donna Glass	Beverly Huntington
Jennifer Price	Vicki Price	Marilee George	Flo Brown
Bill Price	Jerry Godwin	Ruth Stamback	Michael Neal
E.J. Emerson	Marianne Hart	Anita Davis	Scott Dixon
Ponise Youngblood	Cathy Rose	Steven Brown	Curtis Foster
Nancy Wharton	Raymond and Deborah Beck	Beth Lockamy	Diane Halliday
Emma Brooks	Margaret Harrington & Family	Barbara Seigler	David Boseley
Helmut and Linda Vogt	Heather Rodney	Craven Ford	Sue Wilson
Mike and Linda Smith	Phil and Melanie Del Gaizo	Revs. Jamie and Elizabeth Armstrong	

ELON COMMUNITY CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

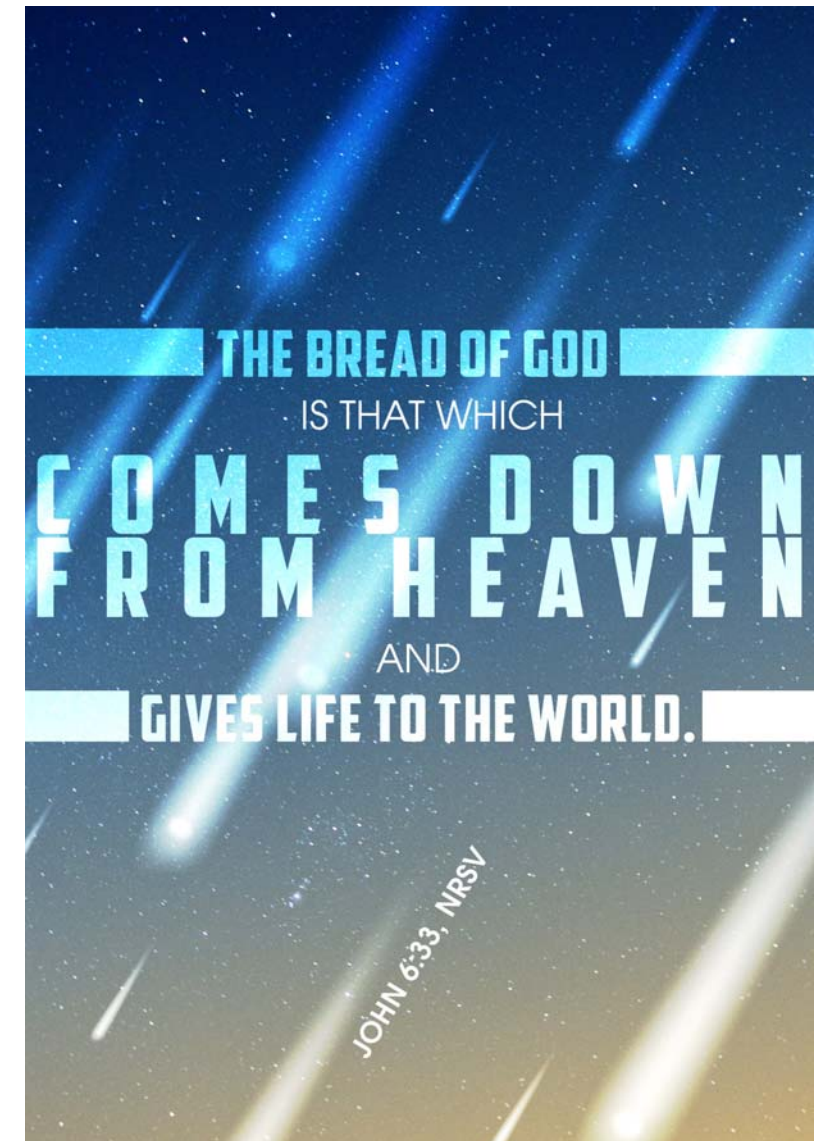
Dedicated to spiritual renewal, we strive to be an accepting, thinking, and serving community of faith.

AUGUST 5, 2018

10:30 AM

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We welcome all guests and members who worship with us this morning. If you are a visitor, please take time to sign the visitor portion of the insert. Join us in the Community Life Center after worship for snacks & refreshments!



Large Print and Children's Bulletins are available. If you would prefer to have one of these, please ask an Usher.

Gathering God's People

CHIMES

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP—Please Sign In

PRELUDE

The Call

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: You call your people to prayer and praise in many ways. This day, bring us together just as you called the people of Israel to gather manna in the desert to eat and sustain life.

All: God of unity, give us this day our daily bread.

Leader: Offer us the nutrients we need to remain connected to you. As spiritual beings, we desire to receive food that endures—faith, hope, and love.

All: God of grace, give us this day our daily bread.

Leader: All life is created and nourished by you! May we grow into new circles of understanding and being, reflecting the ways in which we have been touched by your holy manna.

All: Holy Spirit, come! Give us this day our daily bread.

† HYMN 332 As We Gather at Your Table BEACH SPRING

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we confess that we often spoon-feed ourselves items and ideas that do not provide us the energy we need to do your work. This creates space between you and us, between ourselves and each other, as members of Christ's one body. Oftentimes, we are willing to risk our sustained health and well-being for immediate satisfaction.

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Through Jesus, we have been given an example of one who was truly nourished and sustained by God. In Christ, we are forgiven, made whole, and restored to the one body.

All: Thanks be to God, Amen

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And Also with you.

Leader: Let us outwardly profess our Christian unity by offering each other a sign of peace

† GLORIA PATRI (Traditional Version)
**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.**

Encountering the Sacred Word

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 4:1-6 Page 190 (NT)

Leaders: Through this scripture God is still speaking.
All: And we are listening!

CHILDREN'S TIME Little Children Come Unto Me SILER
*Little children come unto me, Little children come unto me.
 You are made in God's image so perfectly.
 Little children come unto me.*

GOSPEL John 6:24-35 Page 96 (NT)

HOMILY Building Up The Body Sharon Wheeler

UCC STATEMENT OF FAITH Hymnal Page 885

Responding to the Word

SHARING OF JOY AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison. "Forgive us our **trespasses...**")
*Please address God in the way that is most comfortable to you:
 "Our Father," "Our Father and Mother," "Our God," etc.*

PRESENTING TO GOD OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

The Call to Give

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

OFFERTORY

† THE DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS LASST UNS ERFREUEN
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God, all creatures here below!
 Sing your praises, Alleluia!
 Praise God above you heavenly host;
 Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost,
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

† OFFERTORY PRAYER

The Table

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Leader: In one hand, we embrace a piece of one common loaf.
All: Sharing one cup, we drink of the Christ's new covenant of unity.

Leader: With one voice, we lift up our prayers to you, the one great God,
All: The one who embraces our differences yet rejoices in our unity in this one communion act. Amen.

Leader: Come for the table is ready and all are welcome at this table.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP
*Please come forward as invited by the ushers. You may take a piece of bread and then dip it into the cup, responding with the word "Amen."
 There is a separate plate available for those with gluten allergies.*

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN 330 Let Us Break Bread Together LET US BREAK BREAD

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Sending God's People

† HYMN 539 Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant? SERVANT SONG

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

† You are invited to stand as able at these moments.