

In lieu of altar flowers, a donation has been made to the Refugee Fund, given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Fred Canova, given by his wife, Connie.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Marc Gutierrez	7/24
Brayden Orwig	7/24
Phillip Sheldon	7/27
Linda Raker	7/27
Jordan Wiles	7/29
Bill Ullery	7/29
Doris Peery	7/30

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY
Liturgist: Gale Taylor
Ushers: Ray and Gayle Pollard
Deacon on Call: Grace Jones

Elon Community Church Staff

- Senior Pastor**
Rev. Randy Orwig
- Associate Pastor**
Rev. Sharon Wheeler
- Office Manager**
Monica F. Nicholson
- Finance Director**
Lori Watson
- Organist**
Joy Rust
- Choir Director**
Dr. Stephen Futrell
- Bell Choirs Director**
Eden Brown
- Nursery Attendant**
Priscilla Cotton
- Custodian**
Delinda Anderson
- Media Operator**
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THIS WEEK AT ELON COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday 7/24
 9:00 am Seekers' Class ZOOM
 9:30 am Sr. Pastor Bible Study
 10:30 am Worship Service

Monday 7/25
 12:45 pm Soaring High Book Club at Alamance Crossing Movie Theater

Tuesday 7/26
 2:00 pm Refugee Resettlement Team Training Meeting

Wednesday 7/27
 5:15 pm Line Dancing in CLC
 8:00 pm AA Meeting

Thursday 7/28
 2:00 pm Refugee Resettlement Team Training Meeting
 2:30 pm Faith Walk Classroom
 3:00 pm Farmers' Market

Friday 7/29
 6:30 pm NA Meeting

Sunday 7/31
 9:00 am Seekers' Class ZOOM
 9:30 am Sr. Pastor Bible Study
 10:30 am Worship Service
 2:00 pm Evangelism Meeting
 6:30 pm Deacons Meeting

SAVE THE DATE: NEXT BLOOD DRIVE
Monday, August 15
Community Life Center
10:00 am—3:00 pm

WE'RE ON THE WEB:
eloncommunitychurch.org

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT TEAM UPDATE

We are no longer in the IF we get a refugee family but WHEN. And the when could be within about 2 weeks. Now is the opportunity to start donating special offerings to the REFUGEE FUND online or on your check memo line. We will need at least \$5,000 to support this family for the first 4 months. Probably with inflation, it will need to be closer to \$8,000 as a goal. We will keep you apprised of our expenditures. This is real and happening soon! Thank you in advance for all you do to make this a success!

LET'S ALL GO TO THE MOVIES

The Book Club would like to invite anyone who's interested to join us for the viewing of Where the Crawdads Sing at Southeast Cinema on Monday, July 25. The book club read this book when it was released a few years ago and thought it would be fun to see the movie together. We will meet in the Alamance Crossing movie theater lobby (also known as Southeast Cinema) at 12:45 pm and purchase tickets together.

ECCUCC TO BURLINGTON SOCK PUPPETS GAME ON AUGUST 4

A summer tradition at ECCUCC has been to take a trip to the ballpark. We will be going to see our local team, Burlington Sock Puppets. The game starts at 6 pm. The cost is \$8 per ticket if we get in the covered area. Email wheeler.sharon04@gmail.com if you are interested in attending. If we have 20 there may be a group rate.

FOOTBALL SUNDAY BLESSING THE ELON UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL TEAM
SUNDAY AUGUST 7 • WORSHIP 10:30 AM
POT LUCK LUNCHEON FOLLOWS

We are expecting around 115 visitors to worship on Sunday, August 7, as the players and coaches will join us for a special time to build community and support for these student athletes. A special prayer of blessing will be given and our hospitality continues as we welcome them to the CLC for a luncheon that is a combination of our dishes to share and supplemental entrees for our rather large visitors.

This is an all hands on deck event! We need you to make homemade desserts and side dishes, even special entrees (pasta casseroles) if you like as we are building a small cadre of volunteers who will be serving Fried Chicken and other meats and potatoes to supplement our dinner so we have enough for our hungry team and all of us. One difference this year is that we will have tents set up outside on our patio to allow for us to be a bit more spread out. We hope you will feel safe and ready to share food and company. This has been a tradition since the 1970's and the team worked with the university and they felt it was safe as well. So, you can start signing up for food donations for this, our biggest potluck of the year!

Green Church Suggestion: Use eco-friendly sunscreen. Protecting your skin with sunscreen can reduce your chances of sun-caused skin cancer and melanoma. However, while it may protect you, chemical sunscreens put coral reefs in danger. One drop of toxic sunscreen can poison coral reefs the size of six Olympic swimming pools. You're best to replace your chemical sunscreen with a zero-waste, non-toxic sunscreen alternative.



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

JULY 24, 2022

10:30 AM

SEVENTH 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 and leave it in the offering plate at either exit.

"If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children,

how much more

will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Luke 11:13, NRSV



Gathering God's People

MINI CONCERT	Southwind <i>Traditional Irish Tune</i>	arr. Ron Zuckerman
	The Ashgrove <i>Traditional Welsh Tune</i>	arr. Ron Zuckerman
	I'll Fly Away	Albert E. Brumley
	Amazing Grace <i>Music Traditional</i>	John Newton

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP—Please Sign In

PRELUDE	Morning Has Broken <i>Traditional</i>	arr. Jeff Furman
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The Call

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather to rejoice in the Holy One.
All: Revive us, O God, make us alive in Christ!
Leader: We assemble as people called to community by and with the Redeemer.
All: Restore us, O God, make us alive in Christ!
Leader: We come open to the possibilities made new by the Creator.
All: Revive us, O God, make us alive in Christ!

† HYMN 386	The Church's One Foundation	AURELIA
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† PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE

Just God, we sense your anger at the injustice that thrives in the world. We share your grief at the discord that rages among your children, the rejection of those who bear your image, and the oppression of those you know by name. We turn toward you for strength and guidance to turn away from the norms of this world, the lure of self-righteousness, and the appeal of comfort over justice. Embolden us to believe that another world is possible and empower us to participate in its creation. Amen.

† ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Leader: The One who is holy and righteous makes us holy and righteous. We are participants, heirs, and co-creators of new life found in the redemptive love of Jesus Christ and in the realm of the Holy One which has no end. In this, grace abounds and liberates us to new mornings, new mercies, and new life.
All: Amen.

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of God be with you.
All: And also with you.
Leader: Share this peace with our world and all our neighbors.

Please let people know what you wish by waving, a fist out to bump, or if you are open to a handshake or even a hug.

† 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, Amen. Amen.

Encountering the Sacred Word

ANTHEM	Oh! Them Golden Slippers	James A. Bland arr. Jeff Furman
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SCRIPTURE LESSON	Hosea 1:2-10	Page 820 (OT)
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Leaders: Through this scripture God is still speaking.
All: And we are listening!

CHILDREN'S TIME	Little Children Come Unto Me	SILER
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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	Luke 11:1-13	Page 71 (NT)
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SERMON	What Is God Like?	Sharon Wheeler
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SERMON MEDITATION	Sweet Hour of Prayer	William Walford arr. Steve Smith
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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 Symbolic Giving of Tithes and Offerings

OFFERTORY	Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing	Robert Robinson arr. Steve Smith
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† THE DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS	LASST UNS ERFREUEN
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**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

Sending God's People

† HYMN 473	Blessed Assurance	ASSURANCE
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† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE	Keep on the Sunnyside	Ada Blenkhorn arr. J. Howard Entwisle
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† *You are invited to stand as able at these moments.*