

"They need not go away; you give them something to eat..." Mark 6:37

Bethesda Presbyterian Church Aberdeen, North Carolina Founded 1788

"Glorifying God by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through love, faith, prayer, and service."

Service for the Lord's Day August 2nd, 2020 ~ 9th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

CHIMING OF THE TRINTIY

PRELUDE Shall We Gather at the River

Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, seek the Lord with patient and hopeful hearts.
People: We hunger for Jesus, the bread come down from heaven.
Leader: We hunger for the nourishing presence of the Spirit.
People: Lord, feed us with the living bread of your presence.
Leader: Open our hearts to joyfully receive your life-sustaining Spirit.
ALL: Give us the food our spirits need, so we will be truly satisfied.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord, focused on ourselves, we have drawn the circle of your love too small. Forgive us for accepting systems of greed and injustice which ignore your command to "love one another". We have enough food to end hunger in our world. Forgive us when we do not see the needs of those around us. Forgive us when we forget that by your presence and power, we can accomplish much. Forgive us for lacking courage to share from your bounty. Empower us by the Spirit to walk worthy of our calling. [Silence]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 145:8-19

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you. They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down. The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing. The Lord is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings. The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry, and saves them. **SPECIAL MUSIC**

Sweet Hour of Prayer by William Emily Braun - handbells Bradbury

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick.

When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me."

Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

SERMON

"That All Might Be Fed!"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

4.124 125 Q. What does the fourth petition mean?

"Give us this day our daily bread" means: "Do take care of all our physical needs so that we come to know that you are the only source of everything good, and that neither our work and worry, nor your gifts can do us any good without your blessing. And so help us to give up our trust in creatures and trust in you alone".

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Nettleton"

Wyeth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for your continued financial support. We appreciate that you are keeping up with your offerings and pledges! You may mail these to the church.

Thank you from Connie Monds for all of the calls, cards, and well-wished following her surgery. She continues to recuperate at home.

Prayers and sympathy to Mona Kahl and family upon the death of her son-inlaw Larry Horton.

Prayers and sympathy to the Sheppard family upon the death of Jim. Jim passed away July 23rd at the age of 96.

Congratulations to Jim and Kay Mack on the birth of a new granddaughter! Elizabeth Logan Haney (Eliza) was born July 27th to parents Lauren and Brian Haney. She joins her brother Oliver who is two years old.

Elevator Campaign - Many thanks for all the individuals/families who have contributed. With your contributions added to all other sources we have a total of: **\$203,283**. We're continue to move ahead!

Habitat for Humanity – We are looking for 12 volunteers (ages 16 and up) to help with a Habitat build in Hoke County October 24th. If you would like to be a part of this opportunity, please call the church office!

Women's Circles – Information on the Circles will be coming soon. Be on the lookout!

New Website – Bethesda has a new website that is now live. It is at the same address as before: www.bethesdapres.church Be sure to check it out!

Blood drive – Bethesda will be hosting a blood drive September 10th. Stay tuned for more information and to how sign up to donate.

Food Drive – We are collecting food donations for our CALL program families. Food needed includes beans, corn, fruit, mac'n cheese, spaghetti sauce, and tuna. Our next food distribution for these families is scheduled for August 8th. Please drop your donations off at church anytime.

School Supplies – We are also collecting school supplies for our CALL families as well as any other children in need from Aberdeen Elementary. Supplies needed include backpacks, rulers, 1½" binders, packs of 24ct Ticonderoga pencils, packs of color pencils, packs of 24ct crayons, glue sticks, black dry erase markers, highlighters, packs of index cards, pencil pouches, packs of 8 or10 tab/section dividers, marble composition notebooks, head phones, color 3-prong folders, wide ruled filler paper, 100 page spiral notebooks, scissors, and hand sanitizer.

Celebrations and Concerns <u>Members</u>

Nate Forbis C.J. Dunn Jennifer Pinkston Devin Goodwin Gladys Harris Doris Blue Don McGiffin Doug Lawrie Nancy Dearborn Sharon Fogleman Linda Worley Johnny Burns Luke Sutphen Melinda Gooden Nancy Arnold Connie Monds

Friends and Family

Regina Armswood (Bob's wife) David Bailey (friend of Bethesda) Lynn Caldwell (Neil Caldwell's wife) Bernie Capstick (friend of Bill and Alice Demastus) Jan Carper (Nancy Arnold's sister) Sarah Corcoran (Marjorie Downey's granddaughter) Bob Dantzer (friend of Craig and Sharon Fogleman) Carole Douglas (Lisa Noyes' mom) Trish Fizer (George McManus' daughter) Julie Fogleman (sister-in-law of Craig & Sharon) Keilah Goff (Kitty Kuzminski's daughter) Yvonne Holzkamp (former member of Bethesda) Sarah Horrocks (cousin of Shaw Ray) Henry & Vera Hutcherson (Will Jacob's grandparents) Jerry Kahl (Jim's son) Bob Lee (Chris Lee's father) Glenda Lyle (friend of Bethesda) Patrick McLaughlin (son of Pat and Sandy McLaughlin) Dick Rodda (friend of Bethesda) Charley Rose (friend of Robert Leach) Paul Shaffer (friend of Bill and Alice Demastus) Melvin Spain (Laurie Sweeney's dad) Jessica Stringfellow (friend of Ashlyn Owens) Chris Watts (Mona Kahl's nephew) Kathy Weston (Nancy Dearborn's cousin) Traci Wilber (friend of Becky Brown)

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August Birthdays

August 2 – Andrew Formanski, Latasha Harrison, Sierra Huffman, Michelle Wilson-Smith August 5 – David B. Keith, Cecilia Neill August 6 – Jamie Clarke, Terry Hardison August 9 – Patrick Byers, Bill Demastus, Jim Mack, Sam Ransdell August 11 – Justin Andersen, Christian Blue, Lynn Dworak, **Brenda Huffman** August 12 – Nelson Blue, Kelly Clark August 14 – Mona Kahl, Steve Morgan August 15 – CJ Dunn August 16 – Scarlett Roth, Mary Lynn Sutphen August 17 – Davis Clark, Nancy Gorba August 18 – Barb Ficklin, Mark Jessup August 20 – Nancy Dearborn, Cy Israel, Janet Peele August 21 – Tucker Martin August 22 – Moneen Bethea August 24 - Marilyn Shannon August 26 – Katie Godin, Dan Gooden August 30 – Shaw Ray August 31 – Ella Clark, Gloria Crane



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