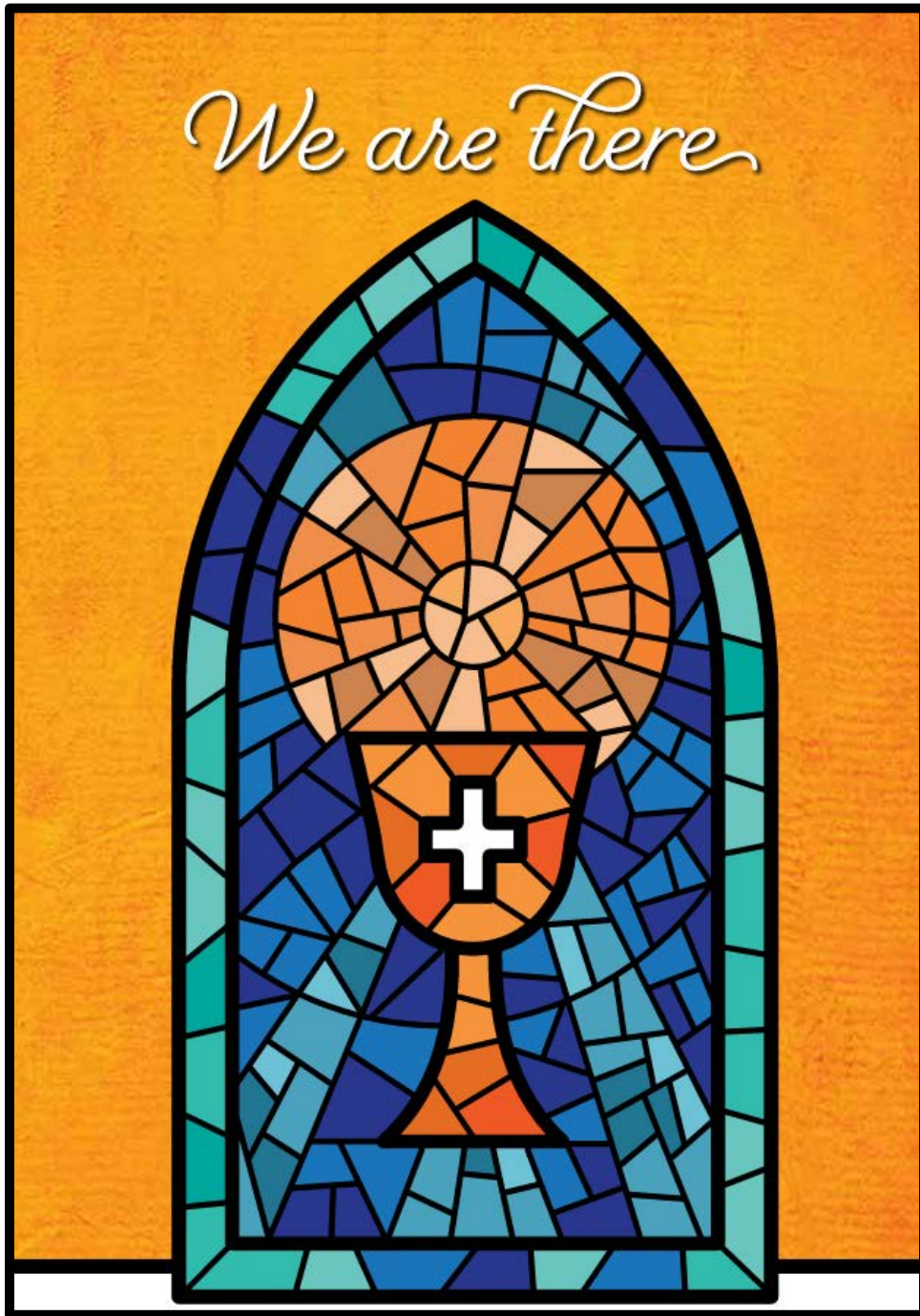


We are there



World Communion Sunday

**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

October 6, 2024

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost – World Communion Sunday

Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly. Leave Gratefully. Serve Faithfully.

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

Lead On, Lead On, O King Eternal
Bringing in the Light of Christ

Bliss

†Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1, 6-7

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship,

People: Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker

Leader: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,

People: The flock under his care.

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;

All: Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

†Congregational Hymn #401

Here in This Place

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy God, you sent your Son Jesus to make all things new. Yet we confess that deep down inside, we're afraid of what that might mean. We've become too comfortable with the sin that has stained and scarred us. We've worshiped you with our lips but not always with our hearts. We've listened eagerly to your Word but been reluctant to let that Word shape the way we live. Forgive us, O God, and make us new! Give us a fresh start – beginning this morning – and make us eager witnesses of the transforming love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In His name, we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

†Sharing of the Peace

†Congregational Response Hymn #582 *Glory to God*

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.*

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. (2x)

A Moment with Young Disciples

No Children's Church today – please return to your seats

Prayer of Illumination

First Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:35-37

Pg 735 in the front of the pew bible

Second Old Testament Reading

Job 38:1-11

Pg 484 in the front of the pew bible

†Congregational Hymn #511 *Come, Behold! The Feast of Heaven*

New Testament Reading

Romans 8:18-25

Pg 158 in the back of the pew bible

Sermon

“On Natural Disasters”

†Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(*In this context, the word catholic is defined as the universal Christian church)

Offering & Offertory

Dedication

Peterson

†**Hymn # 606**

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

*Praise him all creatures here below, Praise him above ye heavenly host, Praise
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

†**Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

Words of Invitation

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Anthem

Lamb of God

Holy Communion

Prayer after Communion

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

†**Closing Hymn 829 v1-3** *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

†**Charge and Benediction**

†**Choral Benediction 829 v4**

When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall
o'er me roll; blest Savior, then, in love, fear, and distrust remove;

O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

Taking the light of Christ into the world

† Please stand as you are able.

We welcome children with all the energy, enthusiasm, wisdom, and vocalization they bring to worship.

Flowers are given to the glory of God in memory and celebration of the life of Johnny Burns.

Today is World Communion Sunday; we will receive our Peace and Global Witness Offering.

Thank you I would like to thank everyone who prayed for me as I went through and recovered from pneumonia. I couldn't have made it without your prayers. Sharon Fogleman

October 20th – There will be a Congregational Meeting during worship to elect two members to the Nominating Committee.

Elder of the Month for October is Jim Ransdell.

Office Closed The office will be open by appointment only from October 3-11 while the Church Administrator is on vacation. Contact Pastor Priddy or the Elder of the Month to make an appointment or for needs that arise.

Bulletin Board Ministry We need volunteers to help create and maintain the bulletin boards around campus. Please contact the church office if you are creative and have some spare time to help.

2024 Auction Excitement is building for Bethesda's fall auction on Saturday, November 2. If you have clean auction items you would like to donate, please contact the church office for pick up. If you are interested in helping with this fun event, contact Jim Ransdell.

Celebrations and Concerns Prayer List

Members

Earlene and Larry McLamb Cy Israel
Terri Combs Peggy Jones Bruce Thomas Jim Thomas

Members in Facilities

Hugh Joyce, Ellen Heckman- Penick Village

Members to Keep in Prayer

Jane Sandrock Kitty Kuzminski Nancy Clark
Jackson Smith Bruce Thomas
Ruth Sinclair Gladys Harris Sara Swartout Karen Robertson

Friends and Family (new additions in bold)

Jenny Abbot
Bill Arlington (friend of Chuck and Nancy Dearborn)
David and Patsy Bailey (friends of Bethesda)
June Bosley (cousin of Sue Wiener)
Ann and Ray Bruce (friends of Bethesda)
The Byerly family (niece of Ann Woodfield)
Sarah Corcoran (Marjorie Downey's granddaughter)
Kyle Donohue (Kitty Kuzminski's niece)
Lisa Eaton (Ann Woodfield's daughter)
Samantha Garrison (former member of Bethesda)
Pete Golden (friend of Laura Hill)
April Graf (friend of Ann Woodfield)
Barbara Greer (Andy Auman's aunt)
Claudia and Mark Gregory (neighbors of Bill and Linda Parke)
Tommy Grove (friend of Bethesda)
Scott Harmer (friend of Ron and Jane Long)
Morgan Hill (friend of Chuck and Nancy Dearborn)
Henry & Vera Hutcherson (Will Jacob's grandparents)
Kam and Mary Kathryn Hurst (friends of Bethesda)
Jesse Joyce (friend of Bill and Linda Parke)
Kelsi (friend of Carolyn Burns)
Christina and Richard King and Family (friends of Bethesda)
Timothy Liles (friend of Leigh Baggs)
Carol and Alan Monroe (friends of Bethesda)
Kacey McDonald (cousin of Al McDonald)
Patrick McLaughlin (son of Pat and Sandy McLaughlin)
Judy and Mike Melendez (friends of Chuck and Nancy Dearborn)
Jeanne Muse (friend of Mary Ann Ward)
Kacy Norton (niece of Lynn Dworak)
Mike Norton (friend of Francisco)
Jack Oxendine (friend of Brittany James)
Betty Parke (Bill Parke's sister)
Carrie Peterson (friend of the Noyes family)
Vickie Pinkston (friend of Gloria Crane)
Jennifer Pinkston (Gloria Crane's daughter)
Tom Pinkston (Gloria Crane's son)
Linda and Sylvia Porter (community people in need)
Marty Bell Prevatte (friend of Bethesda)
Alexander Deaton Riley (Great-grandson of Kitty Kuzminski)
Betty Ann Shaw (mother of Mary Ann Ward)
Denise Schuch (daughter-in-law of Ron Schuch and Connie Atwell)
Ed and Linda Stallings (friends of Jane McInnis)
Floyd Strupe (Mary Katherine's father)
Doris Tulloch & daughters Rebecca and Sarah (friends of John McInnis)
Angie and Abby Underhill (friends of Bethesda and Merry Hearts)
Kathy Walker (friend of Kitty Kuzminski)
Maren Ward and David Ward, Jr. (children of Mary Ann Ward)

October Birthdays

2	Emily DeSpain	20	Wesley Robertson
	Andy Robertson	22	Kathe Wilson
4	Brandon Wilson		Ann Woodfield
	David Byers		Nancy High
6	Madeline McClain		Sam Formanski
7	Vickie Auman	26	Jim Ransdell
9	Marge Downey	27	Terri Combs
	Brian Ferguson	29	Betty Lou Stewart
16	Kathleen White		Jane McInnis
18	Hunter Robertson	30	Bill Parke
	Brooklyn Bean	31	Marsha Southers
	Kelly Jacobs		



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