



Bethany Presbyterian Church

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Second Sunday after Pentecost



Jesus told them, “When you pray, say:
‘Father, uphold the holiness of your name. Bring in your kingdom.
Give us the bread we need for today.
Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who has wronged us.
And don’t lead us into temptation.’”
Luke 11:2-4 (COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE)

GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome to our service of worship. Although we are worshipping in a variety of locations, we still affirm that God is present in our worship, whether in-person or virtually. Our prayer is that all who worship with us this day will truly feel the presence of God in this time. Know that you are loved and we are so glad you are here! Parts of today’s liturgy are from Ruth Burgess, Fire and Bread: Resources for Easter Day to Trinity Sunday, (Glasgow: Wild Goose Publications, 2006), the Wild Goose Resource Group, A Wee Worship Book, (Chicago: GIA Publications, Inc., 2015), and LiturgyLink, <https://www.liturgylink.net>.

TRINITY CHIMES

PRELUDE: *But the Lord is Mindful of His Own*

FELIX MENDELSSOHN./ARR. BY FRANKLIN RITTER FROM THE ORATORIO, “ST. PAUL”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN #139:** *Come, Thou Almighty King*

FELICE DE GIARDINI

Come, Thou Almighty King,
Help us Thy name to sing,
Help us to praise:
Father, all-glorious,
O'er all victorious,
Come, and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word,
Gird on Thy mighty sword,
Our prayer attend:
Come, and Thy people bless,
And give Thy word success;
Spirit of holiness,
On us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour:
Thou who almighty art,
Now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of power.

Thee, great One in Three,
The highest praises be,
Hence evermore!
Thy sovereign majesty
May we in glory see,
And to eternity
Love and adore.

***OPENING SENTENCES**

1 KINGS 8:23

There is no other like the Lord our God,
keeping covenant and steadfast love.

GATHERING PRAYER

*Lord God of the nations,
you have revealed your will to all people
and promised us your saving help.
May we hear and do what you command,
that the power of evil may be overcome
by the gift of your healing grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
now and forever. Amen.*

OFFERING OURSELVES FOR RENEWAL

A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God,
by your Word and Spirit,
that in your light we may see light,
in your truth find freedom,
and in your will discover your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ENCOUNTERING SCRIPTURE

PSALM 77:11-20

PEW BIBLE, 724

LUKE 11:2-4

PEW BIBLE, 1263

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

AN OFFERING OF OUR PLEDGES

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY #428:** *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

WILLIAM WALSHAM HOW

We give Thee but Thine own,
What e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

*BLESSING OUR GIFTS

***HYMN OF THE DAY #403:** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

JOSEPH SCRIVEN

What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful,
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

TELLING THE TRUTH ABOUT OURSELVES

"ON THE LORD'S PRAYER," NATHAN WILLIAMS

Let us come together to tell the truth about ourselves.

*God of grace,
we confess that we are more eager to receive your mercy
than we are to extend your kindness to others.
We ask for what we need
without considering whether we have what someone else needs.
We seek forgiveness
but hold grudges against others.
We want you to lead us,
but only if you will send us where we want to go.
By your grace, we want to turn this around.
We choose to give you more than we think we can spare;
to forgive even those who have yet to ask for forgiveness;
to follow you wherever you choose to lead us.
Receive our commitment to new life,
in Jesus' matchless name.*

Silence

AN OFFERING OF GOD'S GRACE

I proclaim to you in the name of our holy God that:

You are enough.

You are forgiven.

You are loved.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE #372: *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

THE WORD IN MUSIC: *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*

WORDS BY FANNY J. CROSBY/MUSIC BY WILLIAM H. DOANE

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Sermon: *"The Holiness"*

REV. PHILLIPS

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper today by inviting everyone who wants to participate up front to receive the bread and cup (we use gluten free bread and grape juice). If you are more comfortable remaining seated but would like to participate, raise your hand and we will come to your seat to serve you. We believe that Jesus invites everyone forward to his table to "taste and see," and so we proclaim that all are welcome to participate.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

"EVERYONE WHO ASKS RECEIVES," NATHAN WILLIAMS

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

FROM A WEE WORSHIP BOOK

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord your God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you...
...singing the hymn of your everlasting glory:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

Blessed are you, O God, creator of all things...
...we proclaim the mystery of faith:
***Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.***

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION BY THE PEOPLE

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

"EVERYONE WHO ASKS RECEIVES," NATHAN WILLIAMS

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 #341:** *Blessed Assurance*

FANNY JANE CROSBY

Blessed assurance: Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. **(Refrain)**

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with His goodness, lost in His love. **(Refrain)**

***SENDING**

"AN ALL-DAY SUMMER BLESSING," SIMON TAYLOR

May birds fill the dawn of your day with song,
may the midday sun caress your face with warmth,
may honeysuckle scent the evening breeze around you
and may the summer stars shine bright above you.

And may God,
the giver of summer song and scent,
the Creator of the sun and stars,
touch your life with beauty
and fill your heart with joy. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE: *High Praise*

RACHEL SAWYER

** Please stand in body or spirit.*



Our Faith Community @ Work

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Saturday, June 8th Women of the Church Yard Sale

The Women of the Church Yard Sale will be in the church Fellowship Hall from 7:00am-1:00pm. Donation of items for the yard sale may be brought to the church from 9:00am-12:00 noon Monday - Friday or by calling the office to make arrangements for other drop-off times. Please leave items on the front two tables.

The Men of the Church will be serving Hot Dogs 9:00am-1:00pm.

Tuesday, June 18th Alamance Co. Mobile Library

The Alamance County Public Libraries mobile library will be in the church parking lot 10:30 – 11:30. Please stop by and “check-out” this wonderful service the library has to share

S.A.F.E. (Southern Alamance Family Empowerment)

S.A.F.E.'s donation request for May is Peanut and Jelly. If you have extra plastic and paper bags, please consider donating them.

Save the Date

Saturday, July 13th Vacation Bible School
Saturday, October 26th Fall Festival

Invitation To Scout Summer Program

All youth ages 5-11 years old are invited to attend our Scout Summer Program.

- June 15th Hike at Lake Michael
- June 26th Science STEM Slam
- July 20th Hike at Jaycee Trail Reidsville
- Aug 17th Hike at Bur-Mil Park Greensboro
- August End of Summer Pool Party

For more information contact:

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This Week's Calendar:

Sunday, June 2nd Second Sunday after Pentecost & Communion

11:00 – Worship (In-Person & Live Stream)

Wednesday, June 5th

6:30 – Choir Practice

Saturday, June 8th Presbyterian Women's Yard Sale 7am-1pm

Sunday, June 9th Third Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 – Worship (In-Person & Live Stream)

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