

PRAYER LIST. Mildred Bray, Mary Childs, Troy Clements, Kathleen Griffin, Donna Helms, Carolyn Hunter, Vera Hunt, Jane-Hunt Grady, Jackie Lumsden, Andi Nichols, Dot Nichols, Joe Philpot, Mildred Pollard, Glenn Wells, Allen Zorn. Glenda Argo and Carolyn Hunter's mother, Doris Hollingworth, Jim Durham as he heals from an accident he had at home, and Fredda Powell as she goes through Chemo treatments. Special prayers for Fredda Powell's son- in-law who is waiting for a liver transplant, and her daughter, Cathy Brown her daughter who is having some health problems.

Thank You. The family of Glenn R. Wells acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy. We want you all to know we appreciate all the calls, prayers, and visits you gave Glenn during his illness.

Quilters. The Quilters meet Tuesday at 10:00 and 7:00 p.m. and Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Quilters Need Jars. The Quilters need jars to start making their homemade Jellies, jams, etc. for the church bazaar in November, and they need pint and half-pint jars. We will accept your empty jars as well as new jars. Thanks so much!

Newsletter Deadline. Tomorrow, August 21st is the deadline for the September newsletter.

SALVATION ARMY NEEDS HELP

The Salvation Army provides food boxes to families unable to make ends meet. During the summer when school is out, the amount of requests for food increases. The summer food crisis is here. Our food pantry is looking bare. It has become difficult to assemble nutritionally complete meals in our food boxes with what we have left. We need help.

Last year, we provided food to almost 3,000 families and over 200,000 meals in our dining hall right here in Greenville, SC. It looks like that number will be higher this year.

If you would like to help, please bring your food to the church and put it in the blue tub located in the back of the church. Items needed are: Peanut Butter, Instant Milk, Cereal, Pasta, Crackers, Instant Potatoes, Canned Meats, Boxed Dinners, Canned Fruit, Rice, and Canned Vegetables.

EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY! Where do children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? What about when a mother is struggling with addiction and is neglecting her children? Last year 181 of these children found refuge in the ministry we share as United Methodists in SC. Epworth Children's Home has been welcoming children in Christ's name for 120 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 10th, to benefit the children who call Epworth home. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, you can visit them on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org or find them on Facebook.

Finance Committee Meeting. The Finance Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 30th at 6:00 p.m.

Accountability Board for the CDC. The Accountability Board will meet on Tuesday, August 29th at 10:00 a.m.

CPA Meeting. There will be a CPA Meeting held on Tuesday, August 29th at 2:00 p.m.



August 20 Jim Rawson
August 22 Michelle Artificio Johnson
August 26 Matthew Willard



Dr. Jonathan Holston
Resident Bishop

Dr. George Howle
District Superintendent

Elder Enrique Gordon
Pastor

Joan Kotrady
Director of Music

Joan Kotrady
Organist

Debbie Capps
Admin. Assistant

Pat Teat
Membership & Financial Secretary

Terri McCloud
Treasurer

Debbie Gissendanner
Acolyte

Lynne Dyson &
Debbie Capps
Nursery

Rick Greer
Trustee of the Month

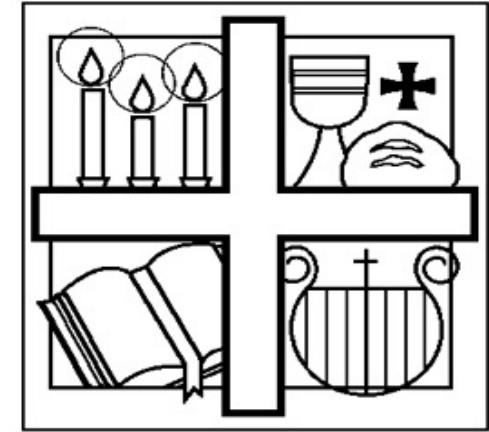
Melissa Miller
Children's Church

Terri McCloud
Children's Message

Tony Earnest
Stewardship

Ellen Holman
Altar Guild

Steve Capps
Rick Greer
Corky Holman
Ronnie Hunter
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**11th Sunday after Pentecost/in Kingdom Tide
"Call to Ministry Sunday"
August 20, 2017
10:30 a.m.**

Vision – A place where all of God's children can feel welcome and are able to grow mentally, emotionally, physically, and above all spiritually in Jesus Christ.

Mission – Berea Friendship Church is to be intentional about making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by making space for God to work and being a church that is in ministry with the members and the community.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

CONCERNS AND PRAYER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - 881

OFFERTORY

Rock of Ages

Arranged / Harold De Cou

*DOXOLOGY – No. 95

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN – No. 140

Great Is Thy Faithfulness+

*EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Now in Peace

Natalie Sleeth

(The congregation is invited to sing)

Go now in peace, go now in peace,
May the love of God surround you everywhere,
Everywhere you may go.

*POSTLUDE

Victory in Jesus

Arranged / Marilyn Arison

+ Congregational Favorites

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for our 3rd Sunday Covered Dish Lunch

OUR PRAYER COVENANT:

Our Prayer focuses for this new conference year will continue to be:

- The direction in which God is leading the church to do ministry in the church, in the community, and the world
- The people God will send our way to be in ministry with us
- The new and existent ministries that will be the cornerstone of Berea Friendship Church

Spanish Worship. The Spanish Worship hour is at 1:00 every Sunday afternoon.

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:

Sunday – Christian Spiritual Formation/Worship; Visitations

Monday – Sabbath Time

Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and Community Outreach/Visitations from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – 10:30, CDC children's church, Office hours 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Sermon preparation from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday office hours 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.—Community Outreach/ Visitations 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. except last Thursday of the month (Prayer and Reflection day)

Friday – Family Time

Saturday- Family Time and Worship Preparation; Please call the church office to make an appointment.

Welcome to Berea Friendship United Methodist Church!

If you are new to our community, we hope you will participate in our service as you are comfortable. An asterisk (*) indicates that you are invited to stand as you are able. **Bold print** indicates that you are invited to join the community in reading aloud those passages that are indicated.

Please take a moment to sign the Worship Attendance Pad that is found in your pew.

Welcome to this assembly of the people of God!

ENTRANCE

THE PRELUDE **O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing** Arranged / Frederick Swann

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP **Something Beautiful** Bill and Gloria Gaither

*HYMN - No. 452 **My Faith Looks Up to Thee**

*OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray

O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives, bringing new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty. We thank you that you do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole. Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, and to attend to the gently guidance of your Spirit, that we may know the joy you give your people. Amen.

*ACT OF PRAISE- pg. 850 Psalm 133: 1-3 United Methodist Hymnal

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let us pray

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

FIRST LESSON –pg. 47, 75 Genesis 45:1-15 Lay Servant

CHILDREN'S MOMENT *(ages 3-5th grade are dismissed at this time for Children's Church.)* Terri McCloud

*GOSPEL LESSON - pg. 1037, 1627 Luke 17: 5-10

CHORAL ANTHEM **All the Way My Savior Leads Me** Joseph Martin

SERMON **"How Big Is Your Faith"** Reverend Enrique Gordon

Furnace Fund. We are collecting donations for the furnace to be replaced, if you would like to give just place it in the offering plate and mark the envelope “furnace fund”.

Sympathy. The Pastor and congregation express their deepest sympathy to Linda Crouch and her son Chance upon the death of his grandmother Nana Crouch who lived in Danville, Virginia.

Sympathy. The Pastor and congregation express their deepest sympathy to Bobbie Bogan, Henry Philpot, and Alex Philpot upon the death of their aunt Edith Watts who passed away this past week in Peachtree, Georgia. Edith joined the church in 1983. The service was held on Saturday, August 19, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Dacusville United Methodist Church and Reverend Lawson Hall, Edith’s great nephew officiated. The burial was held immediately after the service at the church cemetery.

CHURCH BAZAAR- As you can see we have about 2 ½ months before this yearly event sponsored by the Berea Friendship UMC Quilters is here. So far this year the Quilters have provided money to help pay for the church’s utilities (\$3500.00) flooring for the parsonage (approximately \$3,800.00) renovating the “guest” bathroom (approximately 3,700.00), maintenance contract for copier in Pat’s office (\$250.00) and other projects. So you can see that it takes the Quilters and the entire congregation to make these things happen. What can we expect of you this year? There are sign-up sheets on the doors in back of the sanctuary – please go by and sign your name to help make this another successful Bazaar. Whether your specialty is canning, baking, crafts, art work, Knitting, sewing, quilting, setting up for the Bazaar, working those days – just please let us know what we can expect from you. Thanks and enjoy these very “hot” days left in summer!!!

By the way folks, we surely appreciate all the ladies who are not members of Berea Friendship but are dedicated to coming each week to quilt and work on crafts, etc...for us. We couldn’t do without them!

Leadership Positions. As we prepare for this year Charge Conference we want to invite you to serve in one of the leadership positions that are available: Pastor Parish Relation, Trustees, and Lay Leadership committees. If you would like to serve in any of these positions please call the office or let someone in the Committee on Lay Leadership know. And if you are currently serving in a position of leadership and don’t want to serve in 2018, let the Committee on Lay Leadership know. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve.

For Your Information

Attendance report for August 13th:

S.S. – 25; Worship – 62

Financial report for August 13th:

Received for Budget \$2,275.00

Received to-date in August for budget \$5,167.00

Other funds received:

Doris Williams memorial \$50.00

Glenn Wells memorial \$40.00

Donation from Esperanza \$122.91