

PRAYER LIST. Mildred Bray, Mary Childs, Millie Dunn, Troy Clements, Kathleen Griffin, Donna Helms, Carolyn Hunter, Vera Hunt, Jane-Hunt Grady, Jackie Lumsden, Andi Nichols, Dot Nichols, Joe Philpot Mildred Pollard, and 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 who is taking chemo. Bobby Taylor and Patti Taylor as Bobby takes chemo and radiation, Special prayers for Millie Dunn who is having some health problems, and John McWhite.

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 pint and half-pint jars to make their homemade Jellies, jams, etc.

Office Closed tomorrow. The Office will be closed tomorrow for Labor Day.

For Your Information

Attendance for August 27th: S.S. – 23; Worship – 58

Financial report for August 27th:

Received for Budget \$3,102.13

Other Funds received:

Esperanza donation \$11.00

Furnace Fund \$100.00

Edith Watts Memorial \$215.00

Bob Cehen Memorial \$50.00

Glenn Wells Memorial \$175.00

Hurricane Harvey: How you Help: The United Methodist Committee on Relief exists precisely to provide the answer. Pray for the safety of those affected by the storm, emergency responders and Early Response Teams providing relief efforts. **Build and donate relief kits**

Relief-supply kits answer a need for disaster survivors while, at the same time, offering an important connection for the giver.

Berea Friendship will collect items for Health kits and Cleaning (flood) bucket kits, and then assemble and deliver the kits to the collection location.

No donation is too small. You may donate 1 or multiple items, or you may make a financial donation designated as "UMCOR kits". Items may be placed in the back of the sanctuary, and financial donations may be placed in the offering plate. There is a list on the back door of the sanctuary that will help you.



August 07 Masen Willard
August 09 Tremaine Gordon
August 10 Vera Hunt
August 10 King Amir Gordon



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

Vickie Failor &
Lynnsey Nalley
Nursery

Vickie Failor
Trustee of the Month

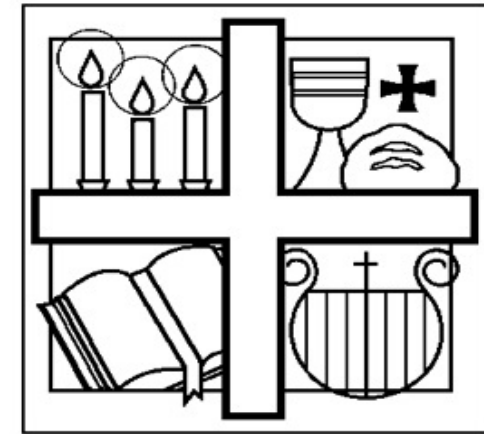
Terri McCloud
& Melissa Miller
Children's Church

Terri McCloud
Children's Message

Tony Earnest
Stewardship

Ellen Holman
Altar Guild

Steve Capps
Tony Earnest
Corky Holman
Ronnie Hunter
Ushers



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**13th Sunday after Pentecost/in Kingdom Tide
Communion Sunday
September 3, 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.

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 **Deep River** Spiritual

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP **Lord, Be Glorified** Bob Kilpatrick

*HYMN –No. 64 **Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty**

*OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray

O gracious God, we pray for your holy Church universal, that you would be pleased to fill it with all truth, in all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, establish it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of him who died and rose again, and ever lives to make intercession for us, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

*ACT OF PRAISE- No. 828 Methodist Hymnal Psalm 105: 1-11

PROCLAMATION 5th 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. 56, 90 Exodus 3:1-15 Lay Servant

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

*GOSPEL LESSON pg. 991, 1553 Mark 2:1-12 Lay Servant

CHORAL ANTHEM **I Have Decided To Follow Jesus** Unknown / Eugene Thomas

SERMON Reverend Shirley Gordon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

CONCERNS AND PRAYER

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION pg. 7 - 11 Musical Setting A United Methodist Hymnal

OFFERTORY **Fill My Cup, Lord** Richard Blanchard

*DOXOLOGY – 95

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN – No.415 **Take Up thy Cross**

*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 **Toccatina** G. Larcidelli

+ Congregational Favorites

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.

Charge Conference Additional Reports. If you have a report to be added to our charge conference packet, please turn it in to Vickie (Chair of Council) by this coming Wednesday, September 6, 2017.

Leadership Positions. As we prepare for this year's 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 on 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.

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!

OPEN DOORS FOR CHILDREN IN NEED. Epworth Children's Home goes above and beyond just food and shelter for children who have experienced abuse, neglect and tragedy. It provides children with tutoring, counseling, health care, fun activities, and the spiritual formation they need to heal and gain a sense of belonging. Through the ministry of Epworth Children's Home we open our doors to these children, surround them with comprehensive care and provide them with the opportunity to transform their lives. On Sunday, September 10th our congregation will stand with Epworth to break the cycle of abuse, neglect and shame through our collection of the Annual Epworth Work Day Offering. Without the support of churches like ours, Epworth could not provide transformational care for children in need. We invite you to give generously to the children who call Epworth home. For more information, please visit Epworth on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

Nursery Workers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to work in the nursery during church service on Sunday morning. If you would like to help, please contact Vickie Failor at 294-9755. All that is necessary is for you to complete the Safe Sanctuary paperwork.

Furnace Fund. The church trustees and administrative council has approved a special fund be established for the purchase of an new heating system for the Sanctuary. We have a quote of almost \$20,000.00 to replace the existing system. If you would like to make a special donation for purchase of a new heating system, you may do so, by placing your donation in the offering plate and designating it as Furnace fund. If you have any questions, you may call the church office.

Trustee Committee Meeting. The trustee committee will meet on September 13th at 6:00 P.M. in the Ruth Bible class.

Administrative Council Meeting. There will be a special called Administrative Council Meeting on Monday, September 11, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. in the Ruth Bible Class. All members of the council need to be present for this meeting. The purpose of this meeting to complete paperwork for the Charge Conference.

Fall Festival Committee Meeting. The Fall Festival Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Methodist Men. The Methodist Men will meet on Saturday, September 16th at 8:00 a.m.

Covered Dish Lunch. Our 3rd Sunday Covered Dish Lunch will be held on Sunday, September 17th following the morning service. Bring a dish to share and come join us for a wonderful meal!

Greenville District Annual Meeting. The Greenville District UMW will have its annual meeting on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at St. Mark UMC. All women of the church are invited to attend. Registration starts at 8:30 and the program start at 9:30 a.m.

Morning Circle. The Morning Circle starts back on September 19, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Quilters Room.

Charge Conference. Our charge conference will be on Sunday, September 24, 2017 at 3:00 P.M. at New Saint Luke UMC in Travelers Rest. All members of the church are invited to attend. All leaders need to attend.

Fall Festival. The church will have a Fall Festival on Saturday, September 30, 2017 from 1 PM until 3 PM. We need volunteers to help with the festival. We will be taking donations of non-chocolate candy, small trinket type toys to be used as prizes at the games. We would love to have an inflatable item at the festival. If you have connections with a company that rents inflatables, please contact the church office and give Debbie the information, so the festival committee can contact them and look into getting one. The approximate cost for an inflatable is around \$200-\$250.00. If you have any ideas or would like to volunteer to help at the festival please contact Debbie at the church office or you can contact Vickie Failor.

