

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 who is waiting for a liver transplant.

Thank you. Thanks to all my church family for the cards, calls, and visits during my disability. As I continue to improve I sure would appreciate your continued prayers. I am living evidence of divine providence and God's love. Jim Durham.

Thank you. Thank you for all the cards, calls, and other acts of kindness following our mom's passing. She loved BFUMC and appreciated how you kept in touch after she moved to Knoxville. Thank you for all you've meant to her. Sincerely, Tracy Walker & Greg Williams.

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

Men's Club. The Men's Club will meet this coming Saturday, July 22, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

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.

Hymn Festival. Please join us next Sunday, July 23rd at 4:00 p.m. for an afternoon of beautiful music. Featuring a special performance by organist, Carolyn Hamlin. We are honored to have Carolyn as our guest organist. She is a composer of both organ and choral works and has performed across the United States. Carolyn is a member of the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers.

For Your Information

Attendance report for July 9th: S.S. – 18; Worship – 63

Financial report for July 9th: Received for Budget \$1,910.00

Received to-date in July for Budget \$4,594.00

Other Funds received July 9th:

Bob Cehen Memorial \$15.00

Doris Williams Memorial \$150.00



- July 17 Eugene Bondurant
- July 19 Vickie Failor
- July 20 Ronnie Argo
- Ivy Evans
- Reaja Gordon
- July 21 Rhonda T. Hovious

Jonathan Holston
Resident Bishop

Dr. George Howle
District Superintendent

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

Debbie Capps & Lynne Dyson
Nursery

Corky Holman
Trustee of the Month

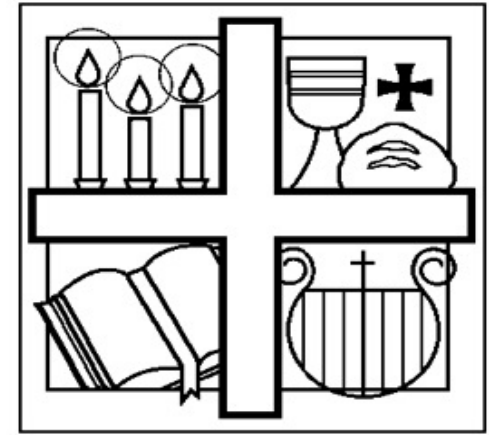
Melissa Miller
Children's Church

Terri McCloud
Children's Message

Tony Earnest
Stewardship

Margaret Rawson
Altar Guild

Steve Capps
Rick Greer
Corky Holman
Ronnie Hunter
Ushers



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6th Sunday after Pentecost/ in Kingdom Tide

**July 16, 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 **My Jesus, I Love Thee** A. Gordon / Carolyn Hamlin

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP **Sanctuary** John Thompson and Randy Scruggs

*HYMN - No.600 **Wonderful Words of Life**

*OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray

Almighty God, in a world of change you placed eternity in our hearts and gave us power to discern good from evil. Grant us sincerity, that we may persistently seek the things that endure, refusing those which perish, and that, amid things vanishing and deceptive, we may see the truth steadily, follow the light faithfully, and grow ever richer in that love which is the life of all people; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*ACT OF PRAISE- pg. 756 Psalm 25: 1-10 Response 2 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. 24, 38 Genesis 25: 29-34 Lay Servant

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

*GOSPEL LESSON - pg. 968, 1516 Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

CHORAL ANTHEM **Lead Me Lord** Samuel Wesley / Setting by Bill Sherrill

SERMON Lay Leader, Terri McCloud

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

CONCERNS AND PRAYER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - 881

OFFERTORY

Dear Lord, Lead Me Day by Day

Philippine Folk Hymn

*DOXOLOGY – No. 95

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN – No. 707

Hymn of Promise +

*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

Come, We that Love the Lord

A Williams / M. Thallenger

+ Congregational Favorites

Please join us for our 3rd Sunday Covered Dish Lunch following the service today in the fellowship hall

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 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 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.

Newsletter Deadline. The newsletter deadline is this coming Thursday, July 20th.

MISSION OPPORTUNITY

Berea Friendship is excited to participate in a local mission opportunity this summer at Victor UMC in Greer. It is a week-long Monday through Friday (8:30am-1:00pm) commitment in ministry to children elementary age, and will occur July 24-28.

It is intense and is just as big a commitment as leaving on a mission trip going out of the area; we will be ministering to children in an under-served community. The kids participating in SUMMER FUN:

- Love to be Loved
- Need Consistency
- Challenge the Status Quo
- Are Full of Energy
- Have a Variety of Learning Styles
- Will Light Up Your Life!!

We are partnering with other churches so that there will be a sufficient number of volunteers. The adults and youth participating must love God, love kids and love to serve God. If you feel a sense of call, please prayerfully consider this mission opportunity. There will be a mandatory training for all serving, both adults and youth. Please contact Terri McCloud at 834-0381 or 354-9364 if you would like to participate.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

"God's Great Gallery" Vacation Bible School will be held on August 5th, from 10 until 2! We need lots of volunteers to make this (and the Back-to-School Bash) a success! Please contact the church office if you would like to volunteer.

COLLECTING SCHOOL SUPPLIES

As you may have noticed in your calendar, we will be collecting school supplies throughout the month to hand out at our "Back-to-School Bash" on August 5th following VBS. We need notebook paper, pencils, notebooks, colored pencils--all those items that will help students be successful in school! There is a collection box in the back of the sanctuary--please give generously to support this mission!

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, Peanut Butter

Pasta, Crackers, Instant Potatoes, Canned Meats

Boxed Dinners, Canned Fruit, Rice, Canned Vegetables