

Children's Sabbath/Mother's Day

May 8, 2022 – 10:55 A.M.

*please stand as you are able

ENTRANCE

MEDITATIVE MUSIC

Jeanne Banks, Pianist

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lynn Meeks

CHIMING THE HOUR

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Children's Medley

ACOLYTE MINISTRY

GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 96)

Miles Gibson

L: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

P: Sing to the Lord, bless God's name; proclaim God's salvation from day to day.

L: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!

P: Then shall all the trees of the wood sing for joy before the Lord, Praise the Lord! Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

How Great Thou Art (vs. 1 & 2)

No. 77

INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN

Where Children Belong

TFWS No. 2233

CELEBRATING WITH THE CHILDREN

Tammy Burdick

(Afterwards, children in preschool through 2nd grade may go to Children's Church.)

PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVING

GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

I Am a Child of God

*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,

whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Evan Hatchett

MUSICAL CALL TO PRAYER

All I Need Is You

TFWS No. 2080

All I need is you, Jesus, all I need is you. You are the source of all I need.

All I need is you.

MORNING PRAYER

Silas Gibson

We pray that the Church will fulfill Jesus' call to welcome the children in word and deed, spirit and action, love and justice.

Lord in your mercy...

Hear our prayer.

We pray that we can work as congregations, communities, nations, and the world to end all that threaten families well-being; poverty, violence, discrimination, sickness, hunger, and war. Lord, in your mercy...

Hear our prayer.

We pray that we might relieve the burden of families who struggle to make ends meet.

Lord, in your mercy...

Hear our prayer.

We pray that your embracing love and presence are felt by all who are lonely, Lord, in your mercy...

Hear our prayer.

We pray that your healing comfort is felt by all who suffer in mind, body and spirit, those on our prayer list and those throughout the world.

Lord, in your mercy...

Hear our prayer.

Finally Lord, help us to be open to the work of your Holy Spirit, so that we will follow you wherever you may lead us.

Lord, in your mercy...

Hear our prayer.

Now as Jesus taught us let us pray,

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

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PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READING

Proverbs 3:5-6

Levi Call

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE

The Tale of the Three Trees by Allen Pote & Tom Long

Jovie Angle, Georgia Angle, Levi Call, Lucas Call, Waverly Clements, Landry Foutz,
Miles Gibson, Fisher Gibson, Silas Gibson, Evan Hatchett, Lillie Hatchett,
Audrey Mitchell, Berklie Perdue

*CLOSING HYMN

Hymn of Promise

No. 707

*BENEDICTION

Lillie Hatchett

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

HYMN REPRISE

Mrs. Banks

*The flowers on the Communion Table are given by Josh and Heather Quinn
to the glory of God and in honor of Connor Quinn's 4th birthday and Zeke Waller's 3^d
birthday. They would also like to wish all the mothers a Happy Mother's Day!*

Serving Today:

Liturgists: Children

Acolyte: Crosby Eitner

Greeters: Rodney and Pat Cundiff

Ushers: Bill Collins and Debbie Caulder

Children's Church: Susan Hatchett

Nursery: Suzanne Ross

Counters: Ina Clements, Ben Whitesell

Locking Up After Worship: Benny Board

Serving Next Week (May 15):

Liturgist: Bill Cooper

Acolyte: Charlie Mitchell

Greeter: Nathan Angle

Usher: Sharon Angle

Children's Church: Jessica Mitchell

Nursery: Jessica Call

Counters: Linda Handy, Charlotte Hill

Locking Up After Worship: Benny Board

Will Waller, Pastor
Lynn M. Meeks, Director of Music/Diaconal Minister
Jeanne Banks, Pianist
Valerie Latimer, Administrative Assistant
Jennifer Ardis, Nursery Attendant
Rebecca Dillon, Children's Church Coordinator
Craig Jamison, Custodian

Prayer Concerns:

Our country, our church and those serving in our armed forces; People of Ukraine; Kathleen Higgins; Lillie Hatchett; Bobby Hodges; Jerry Davis; Tim Funk; Barbara Huffman; Lynn Cooper; Anna Campbell; Betty Dillon; CO Brickey; Dick Shoemaker; Jennifer Cooper; Eva Prillaman; John Cooper; Arnold Dillon, Sr.; Janis Odom (DJ Pritchard); Richard McDaniel (Lindsay McDaniel); Doris Ferguson (wife of Bill Ferguson, former pastor of RMUMC); Everett Cotter (LuAnn Dunbar); Becky Bennett (Jennie Ardis); Sophia Moore (CO Brickey); Mike Shea (Enna Roseberry); Melissa Hays-Smith (Marsha Robertson); Debbie Ford (Ben Whitesell); and Dennis Holland (Cyndee Holland).

Forget-Me-Nots:

Eleanor Woody

Meetings and Announcements:

- **Monday, May 9** 7:00 p.m., Boy Scouts
- **Tuesday, May 10** 7:00 p.m., Jubilant Ringers
- **Wednesday, May 11** 5:30 p.m., Wonderful Wednesday Picnic in Mary Elizabeth Park
7:00 p.m., Chancel Choir
- **Thursday, May 12** 6:30 p.m., Cub Scouts
- **Next Sunday, May 15** 10:00 a.m., Small Groups
10:55 a.m., Worship-Graduate Sunday
Following worship, Youth Workday
- **Monday, May 16** June/July Newsletter Deadline
- **Tuesday, May 24** Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen
12:00 p.m., Sunshine Girls will meet at Ippy's for lunch
6:00 p.m., Little Lambs Graduation
- **Thursday, May 26** Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen
- **Monday, May 30** The church office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day

Assistive listening devices are available outside the sanctuary.

The Samaritan offering for Virginia United Methodist Homes will be received today through Father's Day, June 19. Your gift supports residents who have been blessed by longevity but have outlived their financial resources. Samaritan gifts are not used for operational, capital, or administrative cost but are instead made available only for benevolent care. Make your checks payable to RMUMC and designate "Samaritan Offering" on the memo line. Thank you!

Graduate Sunday will be observed next Sunday, May 15. This will be a special time of recognition for this year's high school and college graduates.

Youth, while you're off this week, next week we have a very special event after Graduation Sunday. We'll be visiting the yards of two of our local seniors, spiffing up their home's outside. We're asking for you to bring a brown bag lunch to consume after the service, and rakes, shovels, garden gloves, big hats, and great attitudes as we do some spring sprucing.

The honor of your presence is requested at the reaffirmation of the wedding vows of Emily Meeks and Michael Littlely on Saturday, the twenty-eight of May, 2022 at two in the afternoon, Rocky Mount United Methodist Church. Proud parents, Lynn and Mike Meeks hope to celebrate with you. Save the Date!

On June 1, Pastor Will Waller and Lay Leader Tammy Burdick will host a town hall style event discussing where the United Methodist Church current stands on LGBTQ inclusion, the proposed changes on inclusion within the United Methodist Church, and the formation of the Global Methodist Church. Some may have many questions and we want to answer those questions in a thoughtful manner. We believe that informed people are less likely to be anxious people. The event will be held in the Atrium of the church, starting at 7 pm. Nursery will be available.

Save the Date: How does packaging 10,000 meals in just over an hour sound? Impossible. Come to church on September 11, 2022 and see.

We are collecting canned tuna for Heavenly Manna this month. Please put your donations in the barrel located in the narthex. Thank You!

Last week we raised \$642 for Native American Ministries Sunday. Thank you!

Pastor Will will be on vacation through May 14. If you have an emergency, please call Rev. Bruce Tuttle (540-488-4101).