

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 17, 2022 – 10:55 A.M.

*Please stand as you are able

ENTRANCE

MEDITATIVE MUSIC Jeanne Banks, Pianist
ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Will Waller
CHIMING THE HOUR
OPENING VOLUNTARY *Just As I Am*—Wood Lynn Meeks, Organist
ACOLYTE MINISTRY

GREETING

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Ina Clements, Liturgist
L: She came in, at first begging, and later screaming, for someone to help her.
P: Unstop our ears, God, to hear the cry of one's needing a second chance.
L: She needed relief. Her daughter needed healing. Her house was being torn apart.
P: Unclose our eyes, Lord, to the ones needing relief from the burdens they shoulder.
L: They said, "Pipe down." They said, "Not now." They said, "Out with you."
P: Unclose our fists, Jesus, to give to those most desperate.
L: He said "She's healed." He said, "Your faith did that." He said, "She's well."
P: Make us aware Lord of the ones we forget, and make us acknowledge you are the God of second chances. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *This is a Day of New Beginnings* (vs. 1, 2, 3) No. 383

INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN *Where Children Belong* TFWS No. 2233
This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.
Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Waller
(Afterwards, children in preschool through 2nd grade may go to Children's Church.)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 15:21-28 New Testament pg. 16

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Another Shot: Crumb Eaters* Rev. Waller

OFFERTORY *Take My Hand*—Page

***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**

ANTHEM *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*—Carter Chancel Choir

PRAYER REQUESTS

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.

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

SENDING FORTH

***CLOSING HYMN** *O Christ, the Healer* (vs 1, 2, 3) *alt. tune-Gift of Love* No. 265

***THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY**

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *As We Go*
As we go, may your spirit go before us. As we go, may we follow where you lead.
May we live what we have learned, share the message we have heard,
and be a light unto the world, as we go.

***GOING FORTH** Rev. Waller

***POSTLUDE** Mrs. Meeks

*The rosebud on the Communion Table is given to the Glory of God and
in honor of the birth of Sophia Jade Godfrey on July 6 to Tyler and Ti Godfrey.*

Serving Today:

Liturgist: Ina Clements
Greeters: Jim and Martha Anderson
Acolyte: Crosby Eitner
Ushers: Jim and Martha Anderson
Children's Church: Jane Waller
Nursery: Peggy Hodges
Counters: Ina Clements, Ben Whitesell
Locking Up After Worship: Conrad Lavinder

Serving Next Week (July 24):

Liturgist: Becky Newbill
Greeter: Judy Anderson
Usher: Jack Watts
Children's Church: Betty Worley
Nursery: Mittie Hambrick
Counters: Martha Sue Gibson, Becky Newbill
Locking Up After Worship: Conrad Lavinder

Prayer Concerns:

**Our country, our church and those serving in our armed forces; People of Ukraine;
Peggie Foster; Kathleen Higgins; Lillie Hatchett; Jerry Davis; Tim Funk; Barbara
Huffman; Lynn Cooper; Anna Campbell; Betty Dillon; CO Brickey; Dick Shoemaker;
Jennifer Cooper; John Cooper; Arnold Dillon, Sr.; Dr. James Callis (Mike Meeks); KC
Barron (Becky Newbill); Janis Odom (DJ Pritchard); 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

**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**

Meetings and Announcements:

- **Today, July 17** **Noon**, Vacation Bible School Decorating and Setup – meet in the Assembly Room and lunch provided

- **Monday, July 18** **August Newsletter Deadline**

- **Monday, July 18-Thursday, July 21** **6:00–8:00 p.m.**, Make Waves Vacation Bible School

- **Next Sunday, July 24** **10:00 a.m.**, Small Groups
 10:15 a.m., Chancel Choir
 10:55 a.m., Worship

- **Tuesday, July 26** **Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen**
 12:00 p.m., Sunshine Girls will meet at Ippy’s for lunch
 1:00 p.m., Youth Meeting – Pizza and Treetop Quest
 6:00 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting
 7:00 p.m., Church Council Meeting

- **Wednesday, July 27** **5:00 p.m.**, Nominations Committee Meeting
 7:00 p.m., Chancel Choir

- **Thursday, July 28** **Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen**

- **Sunday, July 31-Wednesday, August 3** **Youth Week**

Assistive listening devices are available outside the sanctuary.

Sign-up your child for Vacation Bible School and start a ripple effect! Make Waves VBS will be here at Rocky Mount UMC July 18-21 from 6:00–8:00 p.m. They'll learn how God can help them change the world around them. Go to rmumc.org/vbs to sign-up today.

Danville District Mission Encounter, Sunday, July 17 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at Pleasant Grove UMC. We will carpool from Rocky Mount UMC promptly at 2:00 p.m. RSVP to virginiaheartgirl@yahoo.com (Phyllis Lavinder) or lindaw@shentel.net (Linda Walters) if you plan to attend. Enjoy the mission program “Seasons of a Christian Life,” fellowship and refreshments followed by a Hat Fashion Show.

Campus Ministries across the Virginia Conference and The United Methodist Church connection shape leaders of our church, cultivate clergy, and impact not just their college campuses but entire communities. We want to make sure that all graduation youth and college students are invited into the transformative ministries of our campus ministries. We're collecting the names, email addresses, and campus addresses. Please submit student names and information to Serena Jamison, sjamisonus@yahoo.com, our higher education chairperson at RMUMC, by July 18.

How does eliminating hunger sound? How does participating in an event with the ENTIRE church strike you? How does helping our neighbors fight back against hunger move you? On September 11, we're partnering with Rise Against Hunger to package 10,000* meals. We're going to share a meal together and then we're going to get to work. All ages are welcome; there's a job for young and old. Visit our registration and donations page (<https://rm-umc.org/rise-against-hunger/>) to sign-up and to give. Your tax-deductible donations are not required to participate, yet are appreciated. *We can package far more than that if we get more than expected in financial donations.

Congratulations! We collected 148 pounds of canned food for Heavenly Manna. We are collecting green beans and corn for Heavenly Manna this month. Please put your donations in the barrel located in the narthex. Thank You!