

Youth Sunday
August 7, 2022 – 10:55 A.M.

*Please stand as you are able

ENTRANCE

MEDITATIVE MUSIC

Jeanne Banks, Pianist

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Noah Burdick

CHIMING THE HOUR

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Amazing Grace

ACOLYTE MINISTRY

Bella Godfrey

GREETING

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Charlie Mitchell

L: Wayward and lost, we have all been there.

P: You call us home, Lord.

L: Frustrated and angry at the way things turned out.

P: Your love beckons us back.

L: Confused and not knowing just what to do.

P: Your wisdom rushes in, God.

L: We come today with our own set of troubles. Some are lost, others are just confused. We thank you God for your love which welcomes all in, regardless of where we are in life.

P: Praise be your name, Father! Amen!

***GOSPEL READING**

John 3:16 (NT pg. 88)

Rachel Worley

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

No. 140

INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN

Where Children Belong

TFWS No. 2233

CHILDREN'S TIME

Noah Buckner

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

PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVING

PRAYER REQUESTS

Lera Gibson

CALL TO PRAYER

Change My Heart, O God

TFWS No. 2152

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

You are the Potter, I am the clay. Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like 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.

OFFERTORY

Redemption

***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!

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hosea 11:1-11 (NT pg. 794)

Ainsley Gibson

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God!

MONOLOGUE

A Longing Mother

Brandi Altice

PRAYER IN UNISON

Addison Gibson

Dear God, thank you for your creative love which brought us into existence.

Thank you for your instructive love, your Word, and your Spirit, which guide

us daily. Thank you for your patient love when we get caught up with every

new attraction the world offers. Thank you for your forgiving love when we

come to you with all our brokenness. Thank you for your healing love, which

patches up both our knees and our hearts. Thank you for searching for us

when we are lost and bringing us back home. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

HOLY COMMUNION

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

At the invitation of an usher, please use a center aisle to come to a Communion Station. After receiving a piece of bread, please place it in the chalice of juice and eat it. A gluten-free station is located at the center of the Communion Rail. Afterwards, please return to your seat via a side aisle. All offerings left at the Rail are used in our "Helping Fund," supporting emergency needs for Franklin County residents.

(Individual communion containers will be available if you would like to use them.)

SENDING FORTH

***CLOSING HYMN**

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

No. 357

***THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY**

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***BENEDICTION**

Noah Burdick

***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. Banks

*The flowers on the Communion Table are given to the Glory of God and
in loving memory of Sam Cook from Ruth and sons, Matt and Sam.*

Serving Today:

Liturgist: Youth

Greeters: Youth

Acolyte: Bella Godfrey

Ushers: Caleb Godfrey, Noah Buckner, Gary English, Hayden Blankenship,
Logan Blankenship

Children's Church: Debbie Caulder

Nursery: Pat Robertson

Counters: Martha Sue Gibson, Becky Newbill

Locking Up After Worship: Mark Newbill

Serving Next Week (August 14):

Liturgist: Ina Clements

Greeter: Kevin Clements

Acolyte: Silas Gibson

Usher: Benny Gibson

Children's Church: Christina Gibson

Nursery: Martha Sue Gibson

Counters: Ina Clements, Ben Whitesell

Locking Up After Worship: Mark Newbill

Prayer Concerns:

Our country, our church and those serving in our armed forces; People of Ukraine; Hazel Henderson; 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.; KC Barron (Becky Newbill); Janis Odom (DJ Pritchard); Everett Cotter (LuAnn Dunbar); Becky Bennett (Jennie Ardis); Mike Shea (Enna Roseberry); Melissa Hays-Smith (Marsha Robertson); Debbie Ford (Ben Whitesell); Dennis Holland (Cyndee Holland); Jerry Davis and Family in the death of his sister, Sue Oesterle; and Family of Dot Angle Harper who passed away on August 2.

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

Meetings and Announcements:

- **Thursday, August 11** **6:30 p.m.**, Cub Scouts
- **Next Sunday, August 14** **10:00 a.m.**, Small Groups
 10:15 a.m., Chancel Choir
 10:55 a.m., Worship
 Following worship, Membership Class in the Assembly Room
 5:00 p.m., Youth Meeting
- **Monday, August 15** **September Newsletter Deadline**
- **Wednesday, August 17** **7:00 p.m.**, Chancel Choir
- **Saturday, August 20** **11:00 a.m.**, Youth are going to the Smith River Fest
- **Tuesday, August 23** **Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen**
 12:00 p.m., Sunshine Girls will meet at Ippy's for lunch
- **Thursday, August 25** **Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen**
- **Sunday, August 28** **10:15 a.m.**, Chancel Choir

Assistive listening devices are available outside the sanctuary.

On August 14, right after worship, there will be a membership class for all those interested in joining the church or wanting to know more about church membership. It'll be from 12:15-2:00 p.m. We'll have food, drinks, and after an informational session about the United Methodist Church and Rocky Mount UMC, we will be taking your questions. In order to plan for food, please RSVP by emailing Will Waller at will@rm-umc.org by August 7.

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.

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!

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee of Rocky Mount United Methodist Church announces an immediate opening for a custodian. The position is a 30-hour a week position. We are looking for someone who communicates well with the pastor and Staff Parish Relations Committee, cleans the building and grounds, and ensures the building is ready for worship services on Sundays or whenever scheduled as well as events throughout the week. One week of paid vacation is given for the first six months with two weeks paid vacation after. Hours are flexible about when to clean. Please send a resume to Ms. Kelly Peterson at ekpeterson@embarqmail.com to apply.

Alzheimer's Annual Yard Sale - What am I going to do with all of these books, clothes, games, toys, old furniture, decorations? You can donate them to the Alzheimer's Yard Sale. It is a win win. You get rid of old things and help out for a great cause. This sale will be held here at the church on Saturday, October 1 from 8:00 am-1:00 pm. Contact Nancy Middaugh (540-597-7581) for more information. Volunteers are needed.

Valerie Latimer, Administrative Assistant, will be on vacation this week.

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