

# Spruce Pine United Methodist Church

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November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
Veteran's Day

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Kathey Hollifield, Music Director  
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**WELCOME TO WORSHIP!** THE WORD "WORSHIP" COMES FROM THE OLD ENGLISH WORD FOR "WORTHY." WHEN WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD, WE ARE DECLARING THAT GOD ALONE IS "WORTHY" OF OUR LIVES AND OUR PRAISE. TODAY IN WORSHIP WE WILL ALSO RECOGNIZE THE VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY.

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

CHELSEA THAYER

Prelude

INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE

Entry of the Light of Christ

PLEASE USE THIS TIME TO FOCUS YOUR WHOLE SELF - MIND, BODY, AND SPIRIT -  
ON WORSHIPPING GOD, THE FATHER, AND THE SON, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

## OFFERING OUR PRAISE, GIFTS, AND PRAYERS

^Song of Praise

*"Great Is the Lord"*

TFWS 2022

^Prayer of Confession

*Let us pray responsively: please respond with the worlds in bold.*

Lord, we put ourselves into your hands.

**Help us to face what it is in us that deadens our souls, and cuts us off from you.**

Help us to face what it is in us that causes ill-feeling in our homes and strife at our work.

**Help us to face what it is in us that deadens the work of the Church  
and wounds the body of Christ.**

Save us from wasting time blaming ourselves for things that went wrong,

**when you have forgiven us and are giving us a clean start.**

Save us from passing on the blame to other people,

**when we should be seeking to turn all things to good ends.**

Save us from holding on to a sense of grievance against others,

**when we should be forgiving them even as we have been forgiven.**

We pray now for all those who have wronged us,  
those who have gone out of their way to hurt us,

those who have hurt us without meaning to,  
those whose ideas are very different from our own.

*(Time for silent prayers)*

As you have borne our sin, and have risen above it,  
**so teach us to forgive them as to rise above past differences.**

When situations arise that tempt us at points of weakness,

**may your Holy Spirit of love be our strength.**

When we are challenged with problems too big for us to tackle,

**may your Holy Spirit of power uphold us and equip us to face them.**

When we are faced by suffering or death,

**may your Holy Spirit of life fill us through and through.**

Enable us, as individuals and as a congregation,

**to bear witness to your gospel of forgiveness and new life to all in this community.**

Join us with your church throughout the world

**to preach the goodness of your forgiveness and life to all people. Amen.**

**^ Sharing of the Peace of Christ**

*“The peace of Christ be with you”*

**“And also with you.”**

*(Through the gift of Jesus Christ, we have been granted forgiveness and peace with God and with one another. As a sign and celebration of the peace we have been given, we invite you to turn to your neighbors, extend your hand, and greet/bless them with the words, “The Peace of Christ be with you.”)*

**^ Hymn of Praise**

***“How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely”***

TFWS 2042

**Offering our Praises and our Gifts to God**

**Offertory**

***“Amazing Grace”***

SHARON & TIM DRUM

**Doxology**

***“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”***

UMH 95

**Children’s Message**

SHARON DRUM

**Children’s Change Offering**

CENTRO LATINO HISPANIC OUTREACH

*(Following the children’s change offering, parents of small children may choose to escort their little ones to our church nursery: our nursery volunteers will meet you in the welcome center just outside the sanctuary.)*

**Call to Prayer**

***“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”***

TFWS 2200

**Prayers of the People / The Lord’s Prayer**

## **PROCLAIMING AND HEARING GOD’S WORD**

**Choral Anthem**

***“Canon of Praise”***

CHANCEL CHOIR

**^Scripture Reading**

**Mark 5:1-20**

NT 37

**Proclamation of the Word**

***“Legion”***

REV. JEREMY TROXLER

## **RESPONSE TO THE WORD AND SENDING FORTH**

**^Sending Hymn**

***“Wounded World That Cries for Healing”***

TFWS 2177

**^Benediction**

**^Choral Response**

***“Song of Hope”***

CHANCEL CHOIR

**^Postlude**

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**^IF ABLE, PLEASE STAND**

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **IF YOU'RE NEW HERE . . . WELCOME!** We're glad you could join us, whether you're new to the community, new to our church, or if you might be new to this whole "church" thing altogether. We hope you won't be nervous: it doesn't matter who you are, what you've done, what you're wearing, what you believe, or what you don't believe – you are welcome here. You are among friends, and we hope you feel at home in this place of grace.
- **A SPECIAL WELCOME TO CHILDREN!** Parents, we are so grateful that you and your children are here to worship with us! We believe that children have much to teach us about how to receive the Kingdom of God, so please don't worry about your kids being a distraction in worship: the sounds that children make are music to our ears, and we are genuinely grateful that they are in our midst.
- **CHURCH NURSERY** - If it is helpful, you are welcome to leave your child with the caring and trained volunteers in our church nursery, which is located in our Sunday School hallway; or, if you prefer, you can make use of the "family room" which we set up each Sunday in the blue-carpeted foyer at the back of the sanctuary: that way your child can play and roam freely while you can relax and listen in to the service.

## NOVEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **THERE WILL BE NO SUMMIT STUDENT MINISTRY OR HILLTOPPERS TODAY:** all are invited to join in supporting the mission trip meal. Summit (6th-12th grades) and Hilltoppers (K-5th) will resume next week with a time of food, fun, fellowship, and faith.
- **POOR MAN'S SUPPER TO BENEFIT HONDURAS YOUTH MISSION TRIP - TODAY! FROM 5-7PM AT SPUMC** - In June 2019 a group of our Summit youth and parents will join Carolina Cross Connection in a mission trip experience to the country of Honduras. This meal is the first in a series of suppers to raise funds for the trip, and will include dark chicken, mashed taters, corn, beans, carrots, roll, drink, and desert. To attend, please purchase advance tickets from one of our teenagers or parents for \$10.00 per plate. **Please Note: in honor of the 11th being Veterans' Day, ALL VETERANS EAT FREE.**
- **NEW BERN MISSION TRIP THIS WEEK** - A team from our church, including Pastor Jeremy, will be traveling to New Bern, NC this week to help with the continuing clean-up and rebuild following Hurricane Florence. Thank you for your prayers for them.
- **UMW THANKSGIVING MEAL** - Monday, November 12 at 6 pm. If you have signed up to come, we'll see you there.
- **ECUMENICAL COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE: NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH AT 5:00PM @ TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH.** We will be joining together with our brothers and sisters from First Presbyterian, Trinity Episcopal, and Central Baptist in a special service of thanksgiving that also celebrates our unity in Christ.
- **OUR LAST 9AM EARLY SERVICE OF THE YEAR** WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH.

## ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **THANKS TO JACK RILEY** - For repairing and painting the Little School House Book Lending Library located on the north side of our property adjacent to Martha Drive.
- **CONTACT PERSON** - Beverly Hale is the contact person for the 4th quarter and may be calling if someone is in need of food, transportation, etc. Her phone number is 704-502-6015.
- **BRIDGE OF HOPE / SONS OF THE SON** - wants you to be part of our Ministry by Praying for us: Needs: coats, gloves, hats, socks, blankets, food and toiletries etc. Thank you & God Bless, Phil White
- **WE INVITE EACH FAMILY TO BRING AT LEAST ONE CAN OF FOOD EACH WEEK** for the Shepherd's Staff food assistance ministry. There is a box in the Welcome Center...let's fill it each week! Please check the "Best Used Before" date on the items you donate and make sure it is more than 30 days before expiration. Thank you.
- **PLEASE FILL OUT THE PEW REGISTRATION PADS** by the windows at the end of each pew. **Pass them to the inside** and the ushers will pick them up after they receive the offering.

### WORSHIP LEADERSHIP SCHEDULE:

(If you are unable to serve on the date scheduled, please exchange dates with someone and let the church office know.)

DATE	LECTOR	CHILDREN'S TIME	GREETERS	NURSERY	PRESCHOOL
11/18	Dwight Willett	Melanie Murphy	Beth Ziemba / Bill Dailey	Grace Buchanan	Tracy Deyton
11/25	Meredith Hoilman	Ginny Downs	Bill & Judy Sears	Quincy Sparks	Ginny Downs
12/2	Tim Drum	Greg Hoilman	Wayne & Wanda Henline	Sherry Sherman	Kim Ledford
12/9	Bruce Ikard	Tracy Carroll	Glen & Jane DeVos	Rachelle Shock	Meredith Hoilman
12/16	Marvin Walker	Bruce Ikard	Jack Riley / Ima Conroy	Becky Nance	Brandy Miller
12/23	Sharon Drum	Chelsea Thayer	John Campbell / Ginny Downs	Katie Willett	Dwight Willett

# OUR COMMUNITY COVENANT

When a person becomes a professing member of the body of Christ at Spruce Pine United Methodist Church, he or she covenants to participate faithfully in the ministries of the congregation and in life in the world by their prayers, their presence, their gifts, their service, and their witness.

- **GENERAL PRAYERS:** For all who do not know the love of God in Christ Jesus the Lord; for the well-being of our community; for local, state, national, and world leaders
- **SUSTAINING PRAYERS:** Our homebound members (*Shirley McManus*); Brian Center, Smoky Mountain, and Mitchell House Residents; Staff, and Families (*Mabel Whiton, Audrey Davenport, Bea White; Ramona Gragg; Ruth Buchanan; Beth Wyatt & Reg Bezzola; Jo Thomas; June Wilson; John Ahlquist; David Hoepfner; Brett Walker; Charles Hale*; All expectant mothers and unborn children (*Carolyn Boles*); *Laura Curtis Hodges*; for those in addiction: for recovery and sobriety in 2018; *Sandra & Louis Woodard*; Maggie Snyder (caregiver); Troubled Teenager; Lynda Briggs; Edwin; Jan Hamilton's family, Weston Stout; Jordan, Meredith & Keziah Nance; Rosemary; Jane Greenwood; Heather Boone; Irene Poteat & Cody; Leigha Basini & baby; Rachel Jones; *Tim Hollifield*; Guy Hoilman (dementia)
- **FOR THOSE WHO MOURN:** family of Jerry McMahan, family of John Vance; family of Tony Humphrey; family of Billy Pitman; family of Paula Scifres; family of Tudor Vance; family of Seth McKinney; family of Tony Yancey; family of Natasha Hullett; Vito's family; family of Joy Chism; family of Bill Stewart; family of Bob Downs; family of Zachary Solomon
- **FOR THOSE PREPARING FOR/RECOVERING FROM TESTS OR SURGERY:** Luke Sherman (liver); Joyce LaFar (heart ablation); *Tracy Carroll* (recovery from knee surgery); Ima Jean Metcalf; Bill Sparks; Jerry Morgan (*Quincy's* dad - back); Stanley Urbina (shoulder surgery); Atlas Benton (back); Ann Stuck (back); *Diane Struble (back)*; James Ouzts (knee replacement); Wally Thompson (knee); Jan Hamilton (neck surgery); Amanda Drum; Angela Pitman; *Ann Denny; Leroy Ledford*
- **FOR THOSE WITH CANCER:** Nora Murray (*Neil Brown's* sister); *Jim Smith*; Judy Rinard; Diane Meatyard; Tom Wilson (tumor); Chip Smith (colon); Joyce Woody; Carol Batton (breast cancer); Laurie Norman (esophageal); Holly (brain tumor); Randy Chambers (cancer treatment); Jada Daniels (lung); Larry Metcalf (liver); Chase Ambrose; Ava Hollifield; Shirley Hise; Hal Harrison; Janet Ward Slaughter; Gloria Smith (lung); Brian Baker: Rev. Brenda McDaniel; Claire Spence; Becky Hoilman; Unnamed Person
- **FOR THOSE LIVING WITH PAIN, ILLNESS OR INJURY:** Wayne Hoilman; Mike Snyder (Parkinson's); Aubree (encephalitis); Wanda McClellan (lupus); Dan LaFar (shingles); Mary Kay Thompkins (MS); *Kathey Hollifield (fall)*; Warren Lewis; Heather Blackburn
- **FOR SURVIVORS OF INJUSTICE OR TRAGEDY:** Survivors of sexual abuse or harassment; Survivors of child abuse; WNC Flooding Survivors; Separated children & families; Victims of human trafficking; California wildfires; Survivors & responders to Hurricanes Florence & Michael; Victims & Survivors of Tree of Life Synagogue
- **FOR AREA CHURCHES & MINISTRIES:** The Toe Valley UMC Charge (Mt. Zion - Pine Grove); Bakersville UMC, Red Hill - Dayton Bend UMC; The Newdale UMC Charge (Celo-Martin's Chapel-Windham); SPUMC (Pastor, Staff & Members); M-Y Parish Food Bank; Lamplighters Children, Families and Staff; Shepherd's Staff
- **FOR THOSE TRAVELING, ON MISSION, OR IN THE MILITARY:** Dallas Martin (Marines); Tucker McElrath; Lindsey Potter (Army National Guard); Ben Potter (Army); those on Mission Trips; Students starting college; Donnie Peters' daughter India

We want to join with you in prayer for your concerns and needs. Simply contact Pastor Troxler or the church office and tell us about your prayer concern. Please submit names to the church office by Thursday morning to be included on the weekly list.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK						ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK
11 - Ann Denny	13 - Greg Hoilman	13 - Louis Woodard	15 - Jack Chandler	17 - Peter King	17 - Deb Stanbery	17 - Peter & Susann King
<b>PRESENCE:</b>		<b>November 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>				<b>9:00 - 38    11:00 - 102</b>
<b>GIFTS</b>	<b>November 4, 2018</b>	General Fund - \$4,396.00				Weekly budget need - \$4,397.00
		Year to Date - \$195,888.62				YTD Budget Need - \$191,165.00
		Children's Offering - \$33.30 - Centro Latino				Mission Trip - \$780.00
		Community Assistance - \$1,540.00				Shepherd's Staff Donations - 30

**SERVICE:** Thanks to those who are serving in special ways throughout the past week and today ...

Lector: Chelsea Thayer      Greeters: Jack Riley /Tony Woodby      Children's Time: Sharon Drum  
Head Usher: Vernon Coulter      Nursery: Katie Willett      Preschool: Dwight Willett      Offertory: Tim & Sharon Drum

**WITNESS:** THOSE SAINTS WHO HAVE COME BEFORE US HAVE LEFT BEHIND LIVES THAT WITNESS NOT JUST TO THEMSELVES, BUT TO THE GOODNESS OF CHRIST. HOW ARE YOU LEAVING BEHIND SUCH A WITNESS IN YOUR LIFE NOW?

**\*\*Next Week's Scripture - November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018\*\***

1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10 or Psalm 113; Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25; Mark 13:1-8