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Day of Pentecost

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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 IS PENTECOST SUNDAY, A FESTIVAL DAY WHEN CHRISTIANS REMEMBER AND CELEBRATE THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT WAS GIVEN TO JESUS' DISCIPLES AFTER JESUS' RESURRECTION AND ASCENSION. AS THE DISCIPLES GATHERED TO PRAY ON THE JEWISH FESTIVAL OF PENTECOST, THEY EXPERIENCED THE PRESENCE AND POWER OF GOD IN A NEW AND MIGHTY WAY, BEHOLDING THE SPIRIT IN TONGUES OF FIRE THAT PUSHED THEM OUT INTO THE STREET TO PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST TO OTHERS. TODAY YOU WILL NOTICE THE COLOR RED IN THE SANCTUARY, REPRESENTING THAT FIRE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. PENTECOST IS SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS THE "BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH," BECAUSE AFTER THAT PENTECOST-EVENT, THE MOVEMENT STARTED BY JESUS BEGAN TO SPREAD EVER WIDER: LIKE A WILD-FIRE. PENTECOST IS ALSO A BEAUTIFUL SUNDAY TO CELEBRATE THE GIFT OF BAPTISM. AS YOU PREPARE FOR WORSHIP TODAY, PRAY THAT WE MIGHT EXPERIENCE THE PRESENCE AND POWER OF GOD THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

GATHERING OF THE CONGREGATION TO WORSHIP

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

TIM DRUM

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

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

UMH 328

^Opening Prayer of Confession

Let us pray together: God of Pentecost, we confess that the spirit within us has so often been the destructive spirit of this world, and not your Holy Spirit. Forgive us and fill us, we pray.

Let your Spirit descend upon us as it did upon the crowds in Jerusalem.

Let it strike us as a mighty wind, blowing away the chaff of our pride.

Let it burn within us as a tongue of fire, consuming our selfishness.

Let it lead us forth into the world in loving mission,

so that the young see visions, and the old dream dreams, and all shall see your glory.

Holy Spirit, be among us as the power that compels,

the truth that convicts.

the love that converts,

and the grace that saves us and makes us holy. 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.")

Baptisms of Lila Jane and Paul Marshall Willett (please see insert)

Offering our Praises and our Gifts to God

Offertory

"Nearer, My God, To Thee"

TIM DRUM - TRUMPET

Doxology

"We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus" vs. 3

TFWS 2251

Children's Message

BRUCE IKARD

Children's Change Offering

HOSPICE OF THE BLUE RIDGE / RELAY FOR LIFE

(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

"Water, River, Spirit, Grace"

TFWS 2253

Prayers of the People / The Lord's Prayer

PROCLAIMING AND HEARING GOD'S WORD

Choral Anthem

"A Bright Flame Before Me"

CHANCEL CHOIR

^Scripture Reading

Acts 2: 1-18, 37-42

NT 112-114

Proclamation of the Word

"The Eighth Day"

REV. JEREMY TROXLER

RESPONSE TO THE WORD AND SENDING FORTH

^Sending Hymn

"Spirit of God"

TFWS 2117

^Benediction

^Postlude

^IF ABLE, PLEASE STAND

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- FYOU'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.
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 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.

JUNE / JULY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SUMMIT AND HILLTOPPERS ARE TAKING A BREAK FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS.** Our Sunday evening youth and children's ministries will have occasional gatherings in June and July, and will resume in August.
- DO YOU FEEL THAT GOD IS CALLING YOU OR YOUR CHILD TO BE BAPTIZED? Baptism is the experience through which a person publicly receives God's saving gift of forgiveness and love, joins the church of Christ, and becomes a follower of Jesus. In the United Methodist Church, adults and children from all ages can be baptized through immersion or through the pouring of water. We will be having a special baptismal service at the Church on Sunday, June 9th and at Swiss Pine Lake on Monday, June 17th. If you would like to consider being baptized, please contact Pastor Jeremy at 336-870-9980 or at spumcpastor@bellsouth.net.
- FAREWELL COOKOUT/PICNIC FOR THE TROXLERS Monday, June 17 at 6 pm at Swiss Pine Lake Pavilion. We have the area reserved from 3 pm until dusk. UMW will provide hamburgers & hotdogs, everyone else bring a side dish.
- PASTOR JEREMY'S LAST SUNDAY WILL BE JUNE 23RD. PASTOR RICK SCHILLING'S FIRST SUNDAY IN THE PULPIT WILL BE SUNDAY, JULY 14TH. The Troxlers will loading their U-Haul on Tuesday evening, July 2nd, and will be moving out of the Parsonage on Wednesday morning, July 3rd. Rick and Suzanne Schilling will be moving into the Parsonage on Thursday, July 4th. Please be in prayer for these families and for our Church during this time of transition.
- A COLLEGE WORK-TEAM WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WILL BE STAYING AT THE CHURCH FROM THIS MONDAY, JUNE 10TH THROUGH FRIDAY, JUNE 14TH. Please help us to welcome them and to thank them for their service in our community.

ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **CONTACT PERSON** Jan Hamilton is the contact person for the 2nd quarter and may be calling if someone is in need of food, transportation, etc. Her phone number is 828-385-2201.
- **SONS OF THE SON & BRIDGE OF HOPE HOMELESS MINISTRY** Needs: coats, gloves, hats, socks, blankets, sleeping bags, tarps, food, toiletries and your prayers. 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.)

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DATE	LECTOR	CHILDREN'S TIME	GREETERS	NURSERY	PRESCHOOL		
6/16	Beverly Hale Greene	Greg Hoilman	Tom & Eva Jobin	Quincy Sparks	Kim Ledford		
6/23	Janet Ouzts	Ginny Downs	Jack & Ursula Chandler	Sherry Sherman	Meredith Hoilman		
6/30	Matt Miller	Sharon Drum	Josh & Jennifer Newton	Rachelle Shock	Brandy Miller		
7/7	Grant Sparks	Kathey Hollifield	Glen & Janie DeVos	Chelsea Thayer	Tracy Deyton		

REGULAR MEETINGS									
GROUP	DAYS	ROOM	CONTACT						
Blue Ridge Bridge Club	Mondays, 10 am	Fellowship Hall	Nancy Ball						
SPUMC Book Club	1 st Tuesday, 10 am	Parlor	Margarett McGraw						
Weight Watchers	Tuesdays, 5 pm	Fellowship Hall							
UMW Nightingale Circle	2 nd Monday - 7 pm	Welcome Center	Sharon Drum						
Choir Practice	Wednesdays - 7:00 pm	Sanctuary	Kathey Hollifield						
Al-Anon	Thursdays - 7:00 pm	Youth Room	467-1193 & 704-609-5379						

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, Ramona Gragg); Beth Wyatt & Reg Bezzola; Jo Thomas; June Wilson; David Hoeppner; Bretta Walker; Charles Hale; All expectant mothers and unborn children (Carolyn Boles); Laura Curtis Hodges; for those in addiction: for recovery and sobriety in 2019; Sandra & Louis Woodard; Maggie Snyder (caregiver); Troubled Teenager; Lynda Briggs; Jan Hamilton's family, Weston Stout; Jane Greenwood; Tim Hollifield; Muffy Dayton; Marcia Murphy; Rosemary Allen (Stan Cook's sister); Frank Henline; Wayne Lemzoni; Laura Moore (back); Doris Sparks; Jacquelyn Taylor; Ed Terrell (recovering from car accident); Trevor Higgins; Elaine Wyatt; Jennifer Willett (expecting); Shirley Hise; Rick Aldridge; Mike McKinney; Lora Lanier (allergic reaction)
- FOR THOSE WHO MOURN: those who have suffered miscarriage; family of Ruth Buchanan; the family of Cary Pitman; the family of Zoe Ellis; Gloria Schulman & family; family of Henry Street; family of Bea White; the family of John Ahlquist; the family of Maggie Young; the family of Bill Hayes; family of Larry Howell; Tim & Kristen Drum and family; family of Mary Ballew; Ally & Sydney, family of Tess Coulter; the family of Jane Lewis; the family of Audrey Davenport
- FOR THOSE PREPARING FOR/RECOVERING FROM TESTS OR SURGERY: Atlas Benton (back); Wayne Whitson (*Ima's brother*); Madeline McKenzie (Shoulder); *Danna Gibson (Crohn's*); Heather Walker (heart transplant); Tom Wilson (recovering from surgery); Wayne Hoilman (lung transplant); Ann Winfield (heart surgery); Wanda Henline; Ozzie Hernandez; *Ann Denny (broken arm)*; Mary Woodfrey (hip); Patti Morgan
- FOR THOSE WITH CANCER: Judy Rinard; Diane Meatyard; Joyce Woody; 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: Claire Spence; Peggy Granthan (bladder); Eliza Bray (4 yr. old) and family; Marcia Murphy; Danny Gortney; Marianna Jaeger; Gary Graham; Patti Morgan; Diane Cathey (brain tumor)
- FOR THOSE LIVING WITH PAIN, ILLNESS OR INJURY: Mike Snyder (Parkinson's); Aubree (encephalitis); Wanda McClellan (lupus); Mary Kay Thompkins (MS); Heather Blackburn; Sandra Glenn; Danna Gibson; Allison Street; Carol Woodward; Jamie Burleson
- FOR SURVIVORS OF INJUSTICE, DISASTER, OR TRAGEDY: Survivors of sexual abuse or harassment; Survivors of child abuse; Separated children & families; Victims of human trafficking; Samuel Oliver Bruno family; people of Venezuela; Clement & Mary of Colombo, Sri Lanka, their family & church family at St. Anthony's
- FOR AREA CHURCHES & MINISTRIES: The Toe Valley UMC Charge (Mt. Zion Pine Grove); Bakersville UMC, Red Hill Deyton 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; Lynn Kennedy (Burkino Faso)
- 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
- FOR OUR NEW PASTOR AND FAMILY: Rev. Rick and Suzanne Schilling

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.

BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK		ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK					
15 th - Chelsea Thayer		9 th - Wayne &	12 th - Neil &	13 th - Jim &		14 th - Jack &	15 th - Gary &
		Wanda Henline	Marie Brown	Shirley McMan	us	Ursula Chandler	Susan Curtis
PRESENCE:		June 2 nd , 2019			9:00 - 46 11:00 - 124 Total - 170		
GIFTS	June 2 nd , 2019	General Fund - \$5,788.00			Weekly budget need - \$4,583.00		
		Year to Date - \$118,005.60			YTD Budget Need - \$100,826.00		
		Children's Offering - \$35.75 - Kairos			Community Assistance - \$20.00		
		Children's Offering - \$35.75 - M-Y Habitat			Shepherd's Staff Food Donations - 43		

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

Lector: Tim Drum Greeters: Sue & Lee Roy Ledford Children's Time: Bruce Ikard Head Usher: Vernon Coulter Nursery: Katie Willett Preschool: Tracy Deyton Offertory: Tim Drum

WITNESS: WHEN JESUS' DISCIPLES BECAME OVERWHELMED BY A SENSE OF GOD'S PRESENCE WITH THEM ON PENTECOST, THE HOLY SPIRIT DROVE THEM OUT INTO THE STREETS TO PROCLAIM GOD'S GOODNESS. THE GOOD NEWS OF THE LOVE OF GOD IN CHRIST CAN NEVER BE KEPT TO OURSELVES - IT IS CONTAGIOUS, IT OVERFLOWS THE CUP OF OUR HEART, IT SPILLS OVER THE BOUNDS OF OUR SELVES, IT MOVES US FROM OUR PEWS OUT INTO THE STREETS AND EVEN DEAD-END ROADS. HOW ARE YOU ALLOWING THAT GRACE TO FLOW BEYOND YOUR OWN LIFE INTO THE LIFE OF OTHERS? HOW ARE YOU INVITING OTHERS TO KNOW THAT SAME ABUNDANT LOVE?