

# Spruce Pine United Methodist Church

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August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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Kathy Miller, Organist

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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.

## GATHERING OF THE CONGREGATION TO WORSHIP

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Tim Drum

Prelude

"How Great Is Our God"

Praise Band

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

^Greeting

May the grace of our Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

^Song of Praise

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Worship & Song 3008

Prayer of Confession

Sisters and brothers, remember that God loves us;  
therefore, by the mercy of God,  
let us cease to do evil and learn to do good.

Holy God, you call us to do good,  
seek justice, and care for those in need,  
yet how often we place our own comforts  
above compassion for others.  
Forgive us, we pray,  
and cleanse us from these and all our offenses  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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**    **“Blessed Be the Name”**    **Worship & Song 3002**

**Children’s Message**    **Greg Hoilman**  
**Children’s Change Offering**    **Rise Against Hunger**  
(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**    **“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”**    **TFWS 2193**

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

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

**Choral Anthem**    **“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”**    **Chancel Choir**

^ **Scripture Reading**    **Isaiah 1.1, 10-20 CEB; Psalm 50.1-8, 22-23 CEB;**    **CEB 835, 702, 1267**  
**Luke 12.32-40 CEB**

**Proclamation of the Word**    **“Two Way Street”**    **Rev. Rick Schilling**

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

**Offering our Gifts and Praises to God**

**Offertory**    **“Days of Elijah”**    **Praise Band & Choir**

**Doxology**    **“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”**    **UMH 95**

^ **Sending Hymn**    **“Here I am, Lord”**    **UMH 593**

^ **Benediction**

^ **Postlude**

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(CEB) denotes Common English Bible

^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.

## **AUGUST 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 July and will resume in August.
- **HOUSE GATHERINGS** - SPUMC’s Pastoral Transition Team is hosting a series of house-gatherings during August and early September so that the congregation can get to know Pastor Rick and he can get to know us better. The gatherings are informal times of fellowship and conversation. There will be about 6 or 7 house gatherings, so you will have several options available as far as day of the week. Sign-up sheets for the house-gatherings are in the church

Welcome Center. Pastor Rick and Suzanne are looking forward to spending time with everyone, so come ready to share some time and a story or two!

- **CD'S AVAILABLE IN THE WELCOME CENTER** – Proceeds will benefit the Lamplighters program.
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN/YOUTH** will resume on Sunday, September 8th with a breakfast in the fellowship hall at 9:45am. Sunday school for children/youth will run through Memorial Day weekend. We need 2 additional helper/teachers for Sunday school to be successful (and comply with safe sanctuaries.) Could this be YOU?? One helper would be in the preschool classroom and one for the elementary classroom. Please be prayerful about where God might be calling you to serve at SPUMC. We also have a need for subs for our wonderful Sunday school teachers. If you are unable to make a 9 month commitment BUT are willing to serve as an occasional sub, then this is the role for you!! Please contact Chelsea Wilson Thayer, [chelseawthayer@gmail.com](mailto:chelseawthayer@gmail.com) to volunteer for any of these roles. Volunteer/teacher training will be held immediately after service on August 25th. If you have not attended training or had a background check and plan to assist with our children's ministry in any capacity please plan to attend. Lunch will be provided by the Nurture Committee.

## ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **CONTACT PERSON** – Wanda Henline is the contact person for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and may be calling if someone is in need of food, transportation, etc. Her phone number is 828-765-9771.
- **BOX TOP MISSION PROJECT** – We will discontinue our Box Top Mission Project on July 31<sup>st</sup>. If you have any box tops please bring them by this date & I'll send them. Thank you for helping Red Bird Mission in Ky. – Marie Brown
- **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
- **LEFT BEHIND IN THE HIGH COUNTRY - SUPPORT GROUP FOR SUICIDE LOSS SURVIVORS** - Meets at 6:30 pm the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday every month in the Oak Room, Sloop Medical Offices Building, Cannon Hospital, Linville, NC. Contact Bob at 321-243-1640 or Sandy at 828-467-5379.
- **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
8/18	Bruce Ikard	Greg Hoilman	Greg & Meredith Hoilman	Chelsea Thayer	Kim Ledford
8/25	Marvin Walker	Kathay Hollifield	James & Janet Ouzts	Becky Nance	Maddie Landon
9/1	Jack Riley	Sharon Drum	Becky Nance / Jan Hamilton	TBA	TBA
9/8	Sharon Drum	Ginny Downs	Framton & Danna Gibson	TBA	TBA

### REGULAR MEETINGS

GROUP	DAYS	ROOM	CONTACT
Blue Ridge Bridge Club	Mondays, 10 am	Fellowship Hall	Nancy Ball
SPUMC Book Club	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 10 am	Parlor	Margarett McGraw
Weight Watchers	Tuesdays, 5 pm	Fellowship Hall	
UMW Nightingale Circle	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday - 7 pm	Welcome Center	Sharon Drum
Choir Practice	Wednesdays - 7:00 pm	Sanctuary	Kathay 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*); *Beth Wyatt & Reg Bezzola*; Jo Thomas; June Wilson; David Hoepfner; *Bretta Walker*; *Charles Hale*; All expectant mothers and unborn children (Carolyn Boles); for those in addiction: for recovery and sobriety in 2019; *Sandra Woodard*; Troubled Teenager; Lynda Briggs; Jan Hamilton's

Mother Jo (healing), Weston Stout; Jane Greenwood; *Tim Hollifield (new meds)*; Muffy Dayton; Marcia Murphy; Rosemary Allen (*Stan Cook's sister*); Frank Henline; Wayne Lemzoni; Laura Moore (back); Jacquelyn Taylor; Trevor Higgins; Elaine Wyatt; Jennifer Willett (*expecting*); Shirley Hise; Rick Aldridge; Mike McKinney; Lora Lanier (allergic reaction); Brannon & Amy Young; Chris Dobson & family; Kathy Baker (grief); Faye Vickers family

- **FOR THOSE WHO MOURN:** those who have suffered miscarriage; *the family of Jane Lewis; the family of Audrey Davenport*; the family of Brian Baker; *the family of Richard Rodgers; the family of Louis Woodard*; the family of Eddie Black; family of Ernest White; family of Forrest Biddix; Alvin & Keisha
- **FOR THOSE PREPARING FOR/RECOVERING FROM TESTS OR SURGERY:** Atlas Benton (back); Madeline McKenzie (Shoulder); *Danna Gibson (Crohn's)*; Heather Walker (heart transplant); Wayne Hoilman (lung transplant); Ozzie Hernandez; Mary Woodfrey (hip); Patti Morgan; *Jack Riley (recovering from surgery)*; Louie Smith (*Lila Baskin's brother*); Larry (Jack Chandler's cousin) hip replacement
- **FOR THOSE WITH CANCER:** Judy Rinard; Diane Meatyard; Joyce Woody; Holly (brain tumor); Randy Chambers (cancer treatment); Larry Metcalf (liver); Chase Ambrose; Ava Hollifield; Janet Ward Slaughter; Gloria Smith (lung); Claire Spence; Peggy Grantham (bladder); Eliza Bray (4 yr. old) and family; Marcia Murphy; Danny Gortney; Marianna Jaeger; Gary Graham; Patti Morgan; Diane Cathey (brain tumor); Lori Haythorn (brain tumor); Phil White (prostate)
- **FOR THOSE LIVING WITH PAIN, ILLNESS OR INJURY:** Aubree (encephalitis); Wanda McClellan (lupus); Mary Kay Thompkins (MS); Heather Blackburn; Sandra Glenn; Danna Gibson; Allison Street; Carol Woodward; Jamie Burleson; Annette McKinney (ALS); Gene Higgins – healing; *Martha Long (fall)*
- **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:** 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); The Troxlers and Guilford College UMC; Peter Constantian; Rev. Rick and Suzanne Schilling
- **FOR THOSE TRAVELING, ON MISSION, OR IN THE MILITARY:** Dallas Martin (Marines); Tucker McElrath; Lindsey Potter (Army National Guard); Ben Potter (Army); Josh Swindler (Navy); Ben Smith (Army); Luke Hamlyn (Marines – boot camp); Karen (new teacher in Istanbul)

*We want to join with you in prayer for your concerns and needs. Simply contact Pastor Rick 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
12 <sup>th</sup> – Kenneth Carroll	14 <sup>th</sup> – James (Bo) Glenn	16 <sup>th</sup> – Sylvia Beaver	11 <sup>th</sup> – Glenn & Becky Nance
<b>PRESENCE:</b>		<b>August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>	<b>9:00 - 52 11:00 – 110 Total - 162</b>
<b>GIFTS</b>	<b>August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>	General Fund - \$5,501.00	Weekly budget need - \$4,583.00
		Year to Date - \$135,402.60	YTD Budget Need – 119,158.00
		Children's Offering - \$67.21 Rise Against Hunger	Rise Against Hunger - \$50.00
		Lamplighters – \$20.00	
		Community Assistance - \$5.00	Shepherd's Staff Food Donations -13

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

Lector: Tim Drum      Greeters: Josh & Jennifer Newton      Children's Time: Greg Hoilman  
Head Usher: Vernon Coulter      Nursery: Rachelle Shock      Preschool: Tracy Deyton      Offertory: Praise Band

**WITNESS:** THE MARQUEE OF A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN SOUTH CAROLINA READ: LOVE GOD. LOVE PEOPLE. DO STUFF. WHAT A GREAT MODERN-DAY TRANSLATION OF JESUS' TEACHINGS: *YOU MUST LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR BEING, WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF* (LUKE 10.27 CEB). OUR FAITH IS ONE OF CONTEMPLATION AND ACTION; PERSONAL HOLINESS AND SOCIAL HOLINESS. IT REQUIRES US TO PUT OUR FAITH INTO ACTION TO HELP MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR NEIGHBORS. WHETHER THAT IS REPAIRING SOMEONE'S HOUSE, COOKING A MEAL, GIVING EXTRA IN THE OFFERING SO THAT SOMEONE CAN KEEP THEIR LIGHTS ON, OR JUST SPENDING TIME WITH SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T OFTEN GET VISITORS, WE ARE CALLED TO BE GOD'S HANDS, FEET, AND LOVE IN THIS WORLD. LET'S CHALLENGE OURSELVES TO BE SALT AND LIGHT AS WE WITNESS TO THE CHARACTER OF OUR GOD. LET'S LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, AND DO STUFF!

**\*\*Next Week's Scripture - August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019\*\***

Isaiah 5:1 – 7 (CEB), Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19, Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2, Luke 12:49-56