

# Spruce Pine United Methodist Church

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November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
All Saints Sunday

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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. TODAY WE CELEBRATE ALL-SAINTS SUNDAY, WHEN WE REMEMBER AND GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED IN THE FAITH OF CHRIST BUT WHO NOW MAKE UP THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Welcome and Announcements**

AARON BUCHANAN

**Prelude**

**"I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"**

ARR. LANI SMITH

**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**

**"Rejoice in God's Saints"**

UMH 708

**^Call to Worship:**

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. God calls us to be saints, together will all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Hebrews 12: 1-2)

**In the company of the saints we cry:**

**"Praise God! Salvation, glory, and power belong to our God!"**

**^Opening Prayer**

Let us pray together.

**Almighty God, your people of all the ages live and praise you without ceasing.**

**In our communion with you, we have communion  
with generations past and generations yet unborn.**

**Before your throne we are one with a great multitude which no one could number,**

and in praising you we join with those from every nation and time.  
Grant now to your church on earth  
that as we celebrate the triumph of your saints in glory  
we may be strengthened by their example  
and enter with them into the inexpressible joys  
you have prepared for those who love you,  
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.”)*

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

**Offertory**    “How Beautiful”    KATHEY HOLLIFIELD

**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.)*

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

^ **Scripture Reading**    John 11:1-6; 17; 32-44    NT 99-100

**Proclamation of the Word**    “When Jesus Cried”    REV. JEREMY TROXLER

**Responsive Prayer**    (Please see screen)

**Reading of the Names of the Saints**

**Silence**

**Choral Anthem**    “Saints Today, Saints of Old”    CHANCEL CHOIR

## **HOLY COMMUNION AND SENDING FORTH**

**Invitation to the Lord’s Table / Prayers of Silent Confession**

^ **Great Thanksgiving / The Lord’s Prayer**    UMH 15-16

**Sharing Holy Communion**  
*The congregation is invited to join the choir in singing the following hymns during Holy Communion:*  
UMH 614 - “For the Bread Which You Have Broken”  
UMH 616 - “Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast”

**Prayers of the People**

^ **Sending Hymn**    “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”    UMH 712

^ **Benediction**

^ **Choral Response**    “Saints Today”    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

- **HILLTOPPERS AND SUMMIT STUDENT MINISTRY TODAY!** All kids (K-5th grades) and youth (6th-12th grades) are invited to meet at the church from 5:30 - 7:30pm for a time of food, fun, fellowship, and faith.
- **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY** - The new home for the Hudgins family is under way and there will be a workday on Saturday November 10th at 9:00 AM til noon. Please pray for this family and the volunteers working to build this new home, just off Penland Rd on Stuart Rd. For more information call Marvin at 766-5379.
- **MISSION TRIP MEETING** - There will be a meeting for all people interested in the November Mission trip on Wednesday November 7th in the Welcome Center to discuss Logistics of the trip, Travel arrangements, Devotion, Food and our work. For information call Marvin 766-5379
- **FALL MISSIONS TEAM** - Hurricane Florence devastated several communities in eastern NC recently. We are sending a team to the New Bern from November 11 - 16th to help rebuild homes and community. As our previous trips have proven, building skills are not required. We are provided with a place to sleep and cook at New Song UMC. United Methodist Committee on Relief provides case management and construction coordination. Please prayerfully consider joining this team for part or all of this week of service. For more information contact Aaron 467-5130 or Marvin 766-5379.
- **POOR MAN'S SUPPER TO BENEFIT HONDURAS YOUTH MISSION TRIP - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH FROM 5-7 PM AT SPUMC** - In June 2019 a group of our Summit youth and parents are going to be joining 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.**

## ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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.
- **BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION** are collected to help Red Bird Mission in Kentucky. Please continue to save the box tops. Thanks to each of you for your participation. This is an on-going project so keep placing your donations in our Red Bird Mission box on the table in the Welcome Center. - Marie Brown
- **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
11/11	Chelsea Thayer	Sharon Drum	Jack Riley / Tony Woodby	Katie Willett	Dwight Willett
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

# 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; Bob Downs; 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 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; the family of Joy Chism
- **FOR THOSE PREPARING FOR/RECOVERING FROM TESTS OR SURGERY:** Luke Sherman (liver); Joyce LaFar (heart oblation); *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); *Frank Baskin (blood clots); Diane Struble (back); James Ouzts (knee replacement); Wally Thompson (knee); Jan Hamilton (neck surgery); Amanda Drum; Angela Pitman; Ann Denny*
- **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				ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK		
4 - Carolyn Riley	6 - Larry Bohannon, Sam Wood	8 - Framton Gibson	10 - Carolyn Burleson	4 - Greg & Deb Stanbery	7 - Ken & Sue Phillips	9 - Jim & Norma Smith
<b>PRESENCE:</b>		<b>October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>		<b>9:00 - 33 11:00 - 100</b>		
<b>GIFTS</b>	<b>October 28, 2018</b>	General Fund - \$3,611.00		Weekly budget need - \$4,397.00		
		Online giving - October - \$1,793.00		YTD Budget Need - \$191,165.00		
		Year to Date - \$196,941.62		Mission Trip / Meal - \$623.00		
		Children's Offering - \$39.10 - Shepherd's Staff		Community Assistance - \$205.00		
		Children's Offering - \$39.10 - M-Y Parish Food Bank		Shepherd's Staff Donations - 22		

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

Lector: Aaron Buchanan      Greeters: Margaret McGraw / Freddy Jones      Children's Time: Sharon Drum  
Head Usher: Vernon Coulter      Nursery: Becky Nance      Preschool: Brandy Miller      Offertory: Kathey Hollifield

**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 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018\*\***

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17; Psalm 127 or 42; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44