

HICKORY RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Bulletin July 17, 2022

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 17, 2022

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Our hearts are ready, O Lord, our hearts are ready!
We will sing and make melody! We will awaken the dawn!
We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples, we will sing praises to you among the nations.
For your steadfast love is great above the heavens,

and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, warfare, prejudice, and greed. God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS³

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE & 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

OFFERATORY PRAYER & OFFERTORY

Each Sunday we collect loose change that will be given to a designated mission. The mission for this month is Senior Services Meals on Wheels. Please contribute if you feel led.

*DOXOLOGY

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!



OLD TESTAMENT READING

- ¹ These are other proverbs of Solomon that the officials of King Hezekiah of Judah copied.
- ² It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out.
- ³ Like the heavens for height, like the earth for depth, so the mind of kings is unsearchable.
- ⁴ Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel;
- ⁵ take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness.
- ⁶ Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great,
- ⁷ for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen
- ⁸ do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame?
- ⁹ Argue your case with your neighbor directly, and do not disclose another's secret,
- ¹⁰ or else someone who hears you will bring shame upon you, and your ill repute will have no end.
- ¹¹ A word fitly spoken

is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.

¹² Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise rebuke to a listening ear.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION²

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out upon us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to know the things that pertain to life and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SCRIPTURE TEXT

Luke 10:38-42

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him.
³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."



Holy Bible

CALL: The Word of God for the People of God. RESPONSE: **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE "The one thing that is needed" Pastor Craig

*HYMN Be Thou My Vision

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DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE



- 1. *The Worship Sourcebook*, Faith Alive Christian Resources, Grand Rapids, MI, 52.
- 2. Ibid., 92.
- 3. United Methodist Book of Worship, #478.
- 4. https://prayerist.com/prayer/illuminationumc.html

PRAYER REQUESTS

All Military Personnel and All First Responders

The people in Ukraine Iris Bennett Sister-in-law to Kay Huneycutt Janet Bottoms Friend to Margie Gordy Cousin to Harold Kincaid David Conrad Delinda Dunlap-Ryan Friend to Emily Kincaid Wait Frye Cousin to Pat Bennett Bruce Hall Friend to Keith & Martha White **Betsey Harper** Cousin to Becky Montgomery Cousin to Joe Bennett Cathy Hrestak **Rick Lane** Husband to Janice Lane Scott Lane Son to Janice Lane Janice Lane Cancer Treatments Wanda Lingle Friend to Sara Overton Freddie Masencup Tappy McMillian Sister-in-law to Sara Overton Friend in neighborhood Gay Moorefield Johnny Ogburn Brother to Sara Overton Carrol Roseberry P.O. Box 248, Germanton, NC 27019 Ruby Roseberry P.O. Box 248, Germanton, NC 27019 Donna Sims Friend to Margie Gordy Leon & Margaret Friends to Margie Gordy Styers **Richard Thomas** Cousin to Lawson Family Mark Wall Friend to Margie Gordy Daughter-in-law to Becky Weeden Debbie Weeden Christian Willard and family Cousin to Lawson Family Nancy Wimpish Wife of Rev. Wes McCloud Becky McCloud Graveside service Monday, July 18, 11 am at Harold Abshire family Redbank Missionary Baptist Church.

Shut-ins

Ron Fulp705 Meadowlark Drive, Apt. B, King, NC 27021Betty MartinMallard Ridge, 9420 N NC Hwy, 150, Clemmons 27012Barbara White1294 Priddy Road, King, NC 27021

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrative Council, Tuesday, August 2, 7:00 pm.

United Methodist Women meets on the second Friday of each month at 3:00 pm. The next meeting will be August 12.

Homecoming will be held Sunday, August 14. Service will be followed by covered-dish luncheon.

WELCOME FROM HICKORY RIDGE

We've been waiting for you! We believe that every person who comes into this special fellowship is sent by God, himself. Above all else, we want to express Christ's love for you with genuine, heartfelt warmth. We are eager to know you, and we are excited to share with you the marvelous ways God is working in our church and in our lives. It will not take long to discover that this is truly a family, rich in the relationships that matter most. Our hearts, our doors, and our minds are open. If you have been thinking, praying, searching for a place to belong, we say to you, "Welcome home!"

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

At Hickory Ridge United Methodist Church, our purpose is to communicate God's Word through evangelism, to provide fellowship and community to believers, to educate G od's people through discipleship, to demonstrate God's love through service, and to celebrate God's presence in worship.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Hickory Ridge United Methodist Church 6012 Germanton Road, Winston Salem, NC 27105 www.hickoryridgeumc.org Office: (336) 767-0380

> Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11:15 a.m.

Craig Toth, Pastor Mobile: (336) 500-1767 Email: craigmtoth@gmail.com Office Hours: Tue. & Thur. 12:00-3:00 p.m.

Clara Long, Pianist/Organist