



HICKORY RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Bulletin
October 30, 2022

**Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
October 30, 2022**

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

With the pressing crowds, searching for healing and hope,
We wish to see Jesus.

With the pushed out and cast aside, with the lonely lost,
stripped of pride,

We wish to see Jesus.

With those who seek mystery and meaning,
wisdom and grace,

We wish to see Jesus.

*HYMN

Jesus Calls Us

UMH 398

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

We confess we have strayed away from your Word

We cry out to you, O God

We confess that we have allowed the worries of this world
to drive us away from your vision for our lives

We cry out to you, O God

We confess that there is strife and contention all around us

We cry out to you, O God

Let us confess together:

That we are powerless

and have taken our focus off your Word...

that we have not allowed your Word to work in our lives,

yet we continue to cry out to you

in times of trouble and need

Grant understanding and wisdom

that we may see your vision and apply it in our lives.

Hear our prayer, O God, and

Call us back to you.

All offer prayers of confession in silence.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS³

The scriptures tell us that God's love will find us no matter how far away we are from the Word. Just as Jesus found Zacchaeus hiding in a tree, God will find us and bring us home. It does not matter what we have done wrong, we still belong to God. We have the assurance that God will rescue us. This is the good news of the Gospel!

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

Each Sunday we collect loose change that will be given to a designated mission. The mission for this month is Bethesda Center. Please contribute if you feel led.

OFFERATORY

*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! Alleluia!**

- ¹ The words of King Lemuel. An oracle that his mother taught him:
- ² No, my son! No, son of my womb!
No, son of my vows!
- ³ Do not give your strength to women,
your ways to those who destroy kings.
- ⁴ It is not for kings, O Lemuel,
it is not for kings to drink wine
or for rulers to desire strong drink,
- ⁵ lest they drink and forget what has been decreed
and pervert the rights of all the afflicted.
- ⁶ Give strong drink to one who is perishing
and wine to those in bitter distress;
- ⁷ let them drink and forget their poverty
and remember their misery no more.
- ⁸ Speak out for those who cannot speak,
for the rights of all the destitute.
- ⁹ Speak out; judge righteously;
defend the rights of the poor and needy.

Next week we will finish our readings from the Book of Proverbs. Our next series will be readings appropriate for the Season of Advent.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION⁴

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 19:1-10

¹ He entered Jericho and was passing through it. ² A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³ He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵ When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." ⁶ So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷ All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." ⁸ Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." ⁹ Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

CALL: The Word of God for the People of God.

RESPONSE: **Thanks be to God!**



Holy Bible

MESSAGE “The Power of Repentance” Pastor Craig

*HYMN *Amazing Grace* UMH 378

DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE



1. From Order for Ecumenical Worship: World Aids Day 2002. Posted on https://www.unaids.org/en/World_AIDS_Day. Reposted: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2013/10/opening-litany-luke-19-1-10.html>.
2. From Reformation and Reconciliation, written by LT Leticia Rouser. Posted on the Worship Ways page of the United Church of Christ website, <https://www.ucc.org/what-we-believe/worship/worship-ways>. Reposted: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2013/10/prayer-of-confession-proper-26-c.html>.
3. Ibid.
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
Melissa Brown	Daughter of Maria Rogers
Joy Brunk	Sister to Billy Gordy
David Conrad	Cousin to Harold Kincaid
Delinda Dunlap-Ryan	Friend to Emily Kincaid
Walt Frye	Cousin to Pat Bennett
James Gentry	Friend to Martha Collins
Cathy Hrestak	Cousin to Joe Bennett
Kay Huneycutt	6700 S Germanton Rd, Germanton 27019
Roger Jones	Friend to Margie Gordy
Rick Lane	Husband to Janice Lane
Scott Lane	Son to Janice Lane
Janice Lane	
Wanda Lingle	Cancer Treatments
David Linville	Friend to Harold Kincaid
Freddie Masencup	Friend to Sara Overton
Tappy McMillan	Sister-in-law to Sara Overton
Donna Sims	Friend to Margie Gordy
Jordan Stomean	Granddaughter to Sandy Stomean
Leon & Margaret Styers	Friends to Margie Gordy
Richard Thomas	Cousin to Lawson Family
Gail Tuttle	Sister to Billy Gordy
Christian Willard and Family	

Shut-ins

Ron Fulp, 705 Meadowlark Drive, Apt. B, King, NC 27021

Betty Martin, Mallard Ridge, 9420 N NC Hwy 150, Clemmons 27012

Judy Scudder, c/o Brookstone Terrace, PO Box 1682, Clemmons 27102

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrative Council will meet Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00 pm.

Breakfast for Supper Fundraiser, Friday, November 4, 4:30-6:30 pm.

United Methodist Women will meet Friday, November 11 at 3:00 pm.

NW Missional Network Charge Conference Worship Service will be held at New Hope UMC, Monday, November 14, 7:00 pm.

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 God's people through discipleship, to demonstrate God's love through service, and to celebrate God's presence in worship.

CHURCH INFORMATION

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