



HICKORY RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Bulletin
June 4, 2023

**Trinity Sunday
June 4, 2023**

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

We come today to worship the Triune God, even as we,
like the Eleven on the mountainside, have our doubts.

**Holy Trinity, meet us in our questions and help us
embrace your mystery.**

We come to encounter the God who is both immense and
particular, greater than words can describe,
and yet intimately present with us.

**Holy Trinity, surround us with your love that brings order
to chaos and community to individualism.**

We come to give thanks to the God who created and sustains
us, and who calls us to steward the earth and all that live in it.

**Holy Trinity, empower us to enter into partnership with
you for the flourishing of all creation
with gratitude and joy.**

We come to receive Christ's commission to make disciples, to
baptize, and to teach the gospel wherever we go.

**God, immerse us in the life of the Holy Trinity that we
might go and welcome others into the dance of the
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King

UMH 61

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

**Gracious God, we confess our sin, which separates us
from you. We know how people who belong to you should
live, but we fail to live that way. At times we have
forgotten that we bear your image and have done evil. At
times we have forgotten to live in response to your
sacrifice for us and have acted selfishly.**

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At times we have ignored the voice of your spirit speaking to our conscience, and we have followed the desires of our own heart. As a result, we have lived for self rather than for you or our neighbor, our lives have been diminished, our witness has been stifled, and your image within us has been tarnished. Forgive us, good Lord, through Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, guide us to live as people who know and love you. Amen.

The Lord, who saves you, says: I am the God who forgives your sins; I do this because of who I am. I will not hold your sins against you. Let us praise the triune God:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end, 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 & OFFERATORY

Each Sunday we collect loose change that will be given to a designated mission. 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! Alleluia!

Divine Majesty and Human Dignity

- ¹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- ² Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.
- ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
⁴ what are humans that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?
- ⁵ Yet you have made them a little lower than God
and crowned them with glory and honor.
- ⁶ You have given them dominion over the works of your
hands;
you have put all things under their feet,
⁷ all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
⁸ the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- ⁹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION³

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of
our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE TEXTS

Matthew 28:16-20

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. ¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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

RESPONSE: **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE	"Effective Discipleship"	Pastor Craig
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HOLY COMMUNION		UMH 12-15
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*HYMN	<i>Freely, Freely</i>	UMH 389
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DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Focus for June: Safety for Children at all times, especially while at home from school this summer.

Bible verse to remember: 1 Peter 5:8 – “Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour.”

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Administrative Council meets Tuesday, June 6, at 7:00 pm.

United Women in Faith (UWF) meet Friday, June 9 at 2:00 pm.

Church Picnic, Sunday, June 11, 4:00-7:00 pm. Menu will be Hamburgers, hotdogs, dessert, beverage. Make plans to attend!



1. Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, November 2022.
2. Taken from “*Prayers for Trinity Sunday*,” The Moravian Church, <https://www.moravian.org/2020/06/prayers-for-trinity-sunday-june-7-13-2020>.
3. <https://prayerist.com/prayer/illuminationumc>

PRAYER REQUESTS

All Military Personnel and All First Responders

The people in Ukraine

Kathy Barker	Friend to Dianne Raynor
Iris Bennett	Sister-in-law to Kay Huneycutt
Joe Bennett	Cancer Treatment
Melissa Brown	Daughter of Maria Rogers
James Brunk	Friend to Billy and Margie Gordy
David Conrad	Cousin to Harold Kincaid
Fay Dillon	6065 Germanton Rd, Winston-Salem 27105
Delinda Dunlap-Ryan	Friend to Emily Kincaid
Bobby and Shirley Griffin	Neighbors to Doug and Dianne Raynor
Cathy Hrestak	Cousin to Joe Bennett
Loy Kennedy	Heart problems
Rick Lane	Husband to Janice Lane
Scott Lane	Son to Janice Lane
Janice Lane	
Amber Lewis	Granddaughter to Wanda Manning
Wanda Lingle	Cancer Treatments
David Linville	Friend to Harold Kincaid
Clara Long	1905 Emorywood Road, Rural Hall, 27045
Kristy Long	Daughter to Clara Long
Mary Ann	Friend to Margie Gordy
Traviss Mabe	Cousin to Janice Lane
Freddie Masencup	Friend to Sara Overton
Irene Mayo	Sister-in-law to Sara Overton
Tappy McMillan	Sister-in-law to Sara Overton
Debbie Miller	Friend to Dianne Raynor
Noah Nieves	Son to Anthony and Brooke Nieves
Becky Shelton	Sister to Billy Gordy
Richard and Becky Thomas	Cousin to Lawson Family
Christian Willard and Family	
Maxine Wood	Mother to Annette Wood

Shut-ins

Martha Collins, Mallard Ridge, 9420 N NC Hwy 150 , Clemmons 27012

Ron Fulp, Holiday Forsyth Court, 2945 Reynolda Road—Room 142

Winston-Salem, NC 27106

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

Judy Scudder, Bradford Village, 602 Piney Grove Rd, Kernersville 27284

Barbara White, 1294 Priddy Road, King, NC 27021

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

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