

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

September 1, 2019

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Rev. Josh Powers

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYERPastor and Congregation

CALL TO WORSHIP

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP... “Sing Hallelujah to the Lord”.....Congregation

Sing hallelujah to the Lord; Sing hallelujah to the Lord.

Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah; Sing hallelujah to the Lord.

SCRIPTURE LESSON ... Deuteronomy 15:1-2, 7-11.....Reggie Jackson

Every seventh year you shall grant a remission of debts. And this is the manner of the remission: every creditor shall remit the claim that is held against a neighbor, not exacting it of a neighbor who is a member of the community, because the Lord's remission has been proclaimed.

If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the Lord your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbor. You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be. Be careful that you do not entertain a mean thought, thinking, "The seventh year, the year of remission, is near," and therefore view your needy neighbor with hostility and give nothing; your neighbor might cry to the Lord against you, and you would incur guilt. Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, "Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land."

HYMN ...“Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him” ...vs. 1 and 2.....335

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE.....Barbie Blake

PRAYER OF CONFESSION.....Pastor and Congregation

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

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MORNING PRAYER.....Pastor

OFFERTORY HYMN.... “We Are Travelers on a Journey”278

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Usher

OFFERTORY

SCRIPTURE LESSON... *Luke 15:11-32*Molly Abbott

Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe -- the best one -- and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

SPECIAL MUSIC

SERMONPastor

CLOSING HYMN... “Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated ... vs. 1, 2 and 42..... 490

BENEDICTIONPastor

SHARING LOVE AND PEACE

POSTLUDE

USHERS

TODAY Barbara Smith's Team
NEXT SUNDAY Eugene Crisco's Team

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

TODAY Sharon Blake, Jean Maness, Barbara Buckland
NEXT SUNDAY Angel and Courtney Robinson and Alisa Beard

CALENDAR

TODAY
 9:00 a.m. **BREAKFAST**
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Wedding Shower for Monica Kellis & Chris Stuart**

WEDNESDAY
 6:00 p.m. **Covered Dish**
 6:45 p.m. **Adult Bible Study**
Children & Youth Activities

THURSDAY
 11:00 a.m. **Community Meal**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly budget needs ... \$2,398.00 **Monthly budget needs \$10,393.00**
Last week's offering\$ **July offering \$10,794.50**

PRAYER LIST

<i>Church family:</i> Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, George Lythacum			Candy/Rodney Loflin	John Covington	brother
<i>At Home:</i> Helen Greene, Irene Warner, Karen Dailey, Janet Maness				Curtis Holt	friend
<i>Friends and Relatives of:</i>				Wesley Culler	friend
Molly/Wayne Abbott	Monnie Jenkins	friend	Lois Loflin	mother	
	Tony Lawson	friend	Jo Brooks	friend	
	Toni Atchison	sister	J.D. Thompson	nephew	
	Tammy Laprade	sister	Melissa Green	daughter	
Rebecca/Jimmy Blake	Jennifer Hoyos	daughter	Carol Luther	friend	
Sheila Capel	Ada Capel	mother	Tammy Parker	friend	
Jane Covington	Faye Thomas	sister	Jesse Wallace	friend	
	Pete Thomas	brother-in-law	Marie Spoon	sister	
	Lee Kasik	grandson-in-law	Nancy Ruppert	friend	
Ernest , Karen Dailey	Judy and Estella	daughters	Barbara Smith	friend	
Mary James	Benny McBride	friend	Laura Wilson	friend	
	Bob Moore	nephew	Doris Hinson	friend	
	Pam, Ken Morgan	niece, nephew			
	Don Britt	nephew			
			<i>Service Personnel:</i> Seth Spivey, Chris Stuart		