

**Prayer Requests**  
November 19, 2017

<b>Sunday</b>	
Jean Crouch Morrison Prison Ministry	Nicki Haywood
<b>Monday</b>	
The Family of Robert McDonald	Sharon Warfel
<b>Tuesday</b>	
Tommy Campbell	John Foster
Judy Guttschalk	The Family of Debbie Spurlin
The Family of William Douglas Newton (Gaynelle Moon's brother)	
Melanie Wood (Jennifer Guncheon's mother)	
<b>Wednesday</b>	
The Family of Robert Cain	The Family of Carol McLean
<b>Thursday</b>	
The Family of Katherine Cox	Renee Dunn
<b>Friday</b>	
The Family of George Glenn	The Family of Bert Unger
John Wilson	
<b>Saturday</b>	
Janette Benoist	Rev. Keith and Sandra Nanney
Trudy Watkins	

**Church Staff**

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Caring for our children: Tabatha Miller	

**Presence**

*Last week's attendance:*  
Sunday School: 81  
Worship: 162

**Gifts**

<b>Operating Budget for 2017</b>	<b>\$493,245.35</b>
Operating Budget Needed to Date	\$436,331.08
Given to Date	\$405,712.63
Percentage Given	92.98%
<b>Amount needed each week to meet 2017 budget</b>	<b>\$9,485.48</b>
<b>Budget offering last week</b>	<b>\$6,346.03</b>
Pennies for Zoe (Total to Date Collected)	\$12,965.00
<b>Zoe pennies collected in October</b>	<b>\$240.00</b>

**Servers for November 19**

<b>Ushers:</b>	Benson Crofts Team
<b>TV Ministry</b>	Randall Mace
<b>Heat/AC</b>	Hilton Haines and Jim Haines
<b>Crucifer:</b>	Jessie Matheson
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Shelby Diggs and Jason Thomas Graham
<b>Nursery:</b>	Courtney Deane
<b>Greeters:</b>	Bob and Sheila Gilmore
	Debbie Taylor
<b>Soup Kitchen Leader</b>	Wayne and Mary Stogner
<b>Hedge Prayer:</b>	Cross Currents Class
<b>Hermitage Volunteer:</b>	Joyce Smith
<b>Sunday Morning Fellowship:</b>	This Sunday: UMM
	Next Sunday: Jeff Hughes

**Calendar for November 19-25**

<b>Sunday</b> 9:30 am 9:45 am <b>10:55 am</b> <b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Nov 19</b> Sunday School Fellowship Sunday School for all ages <b>Worship Hour</b> <b>Community Thanksgiving Service, 1st Baptist Ch.</b>
<b>Monday</b> 10:00 am	<b>Nov 20</b> <b>NO</b> First Place Bible Study
<b>Tuesday</b> 10:00 am 5:30 – 7 pm 6:30 pm <b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Nov 21</b> Tuesday Morning Bible Study, Chapel Girl Scouts, BB God's Gorgeous Butterflies, BB <b>Choir Rehearsal -NOTE DATE CHANGE</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>  <b>11:00 am</b> 3:30 pm 4:45 pm	<b>Nov 22</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED for Thanksgiving</b> <b>RC Soup Kitchen-Wayne and Mary Stogner</b> <b>NO</b> Wonderful Wednesday Light Personal Development, BB
<b>Thursday</b>  <b>Friday</b> 4:45 pm	<b>Nov 23</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED for Thanksgiving</b> <b>Nov 24</b> Light Personal Development, BB
	BB Bynum Building FH Fellowship Hall



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Loving God – Loving Others – Loving the World

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Sundays at 7:00 pm

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## THE TWENTY- FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**10:55 a.m. November 19, 2017**

*When the music begins, please prepare for worship in silent prayer and meditation.  
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!  
(\* Please stand as you are able)*

### ENTRANCE

GATHERING

WELCOME and Announcements Sheila Gilmore, Lay Leader

*Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship!*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Bish

OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT *Blest Are They* Haas

\*HYMN *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* UM Hymnal, 694

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

\*AFFIRMATION *The Apostle's Creed* UM Hymnal, 881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he arose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRIA  
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, in now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen. Amen.*

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us pray.

PSALTER

**Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion;  
and to you shall vows be performed,  
O you who answer prayer!  
To you all flesh shall come.  
When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,  
you forgive our transgressions.  
Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.  
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER UM Hymnal, 895

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.

WORSHIPING GOD WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Great is Thy Faithfulness* Raney

\*OFFERING RESPONSE *We Give Thee But Thine Own* Boylston

*We give thee but thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHILDREN'S TIME Mary Griffith

*(Children 4-10 years old are invited to Children's Church in Room 410.)*

SCRIPTURE LESSON Deuteronomy 8:7-18

ANTHEM *We Are Marching "Siyahamba"*

SERMON *Thanksgiving with the Saints*

CALL TO CONFESSION

God has not destined us for wrath, but for salvation in Jesus, who died for us.  
Confident in God's mercies, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, you show us the ways of justice  
and nurture us with love.**

**Yet, we have not lived according to your will.**

**When we are oppressed or unjustly accused,  
we cling to fear and do not trust in your deliverance.**

**When we are giddy with power and abuse the rights of others,  
we hold tight to our privilege and forget your laws.**

**Have mercy on us, Lord, for we are weak and prone to disobedience.**

**Hear our confession, and respond to us with kindness,  
that we might turn to you again, walk in the light,  
and live in equity and peace; through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners, that proves God's love for us.  
In the Name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

### SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN *We Gather Together* UM Hymnal, 131

*The altar is always open for prayer.*

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*BENEDICTION *As We Part for the Towns and Cities* Henry

\*CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

\*POSTLUDE *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* Burkhardt

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*The flowers on the altar today are presented to the Glory of God in loving memory of  
John William McIver for his November 21 birthday by his daughter, Kathy McIver  
Brand, and his great-grandson and namesake, John Andrew McIver.*

**First Place Bible Study will NOT meet Monday, November 20.** They will resume their regular schedule on Monday, November 27 at 10:00 am.

**The Tuesday Morning Bible Study WILL MEET Tuesday, November 21 at 10:00 am.**

**Choir Rehearsal will be TUESDAY, November 21 from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm.  
Choir members note the date change.**

**November 27-29 are the dates to decorate the church sanctuary for Christmas!**  
Volunteers are needed to help the Worship Committee. **Make this a wonderful family tradition to prepare our sanctuary for Christmas.** Everyone is invited to help!



**Calling all children!** We are holding rehearsals on Wednesdays at 4:00 pm for our 2017 Christmas Play. If your child would like to participate or if you have any questions, please let Statha Osborne know. We would love for all of our children to sing for Christmas! **The Children's Christmas Program will be held, Wednesday, December 13 at 5:30 pm.**

**Joyce Smith ministers at the Hermitage Retirement Home on the third Monday of each month.** Robert Cain had been working with her and she is now without a ministry partner. If you are interested in helping Joyce in this ministry, please call the church office at 895-4027.

