

The Worship of God

September 9, 2018 –16th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Sounding of the Trinity

Prelude *Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above* arr. Diemer

As the prelude begins, let us prepare silently for worship.

Ritual of Friendship (Please pass the Fellowship Pad)
Concerns and Celebrations

Call to Worship (from Isaiah 35)

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: Be strong; do not fear! God is with us.

All: The Lord will come to save us.

+Introit *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* Chancel Choir

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn #610 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (From *Call to Worship* - Year B)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You call us to seek justice, yet we abuse and ignore the poor. You call us to show mercy, yet we turn away from those in need. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us the wisdom and courage to abandon our places of privilege and to show our faith in action; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Pardon

**The Gloria Patri* Hymn #581

The Offering

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy* Carlson

**The Doxology* Hymn #606

*Prayer of Dedication

Copies of the weekly 11:00 Worship Service are available on CD in the Narthex and Video Podcast will be downloaded to church website (www.shallottechurch.org) by Tuesday morning as a courtesy to Members, Visitors, and those unable to attend

The Word

+Conversation with the Children

Old Testament Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalms Reading Psalm 146

8:30 solo *Morning Has Broken* Alberta Gisel

+Anthem *Do Not Be Afraid for You Are Mine* (Larson) Chancel Choir

Gospel Reading Mark 7:24-37

Sermon **"Be Strong, Do Not Fear"** Rev. John Causey

Response to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed Page 35 of Hymnal

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Sending

*Hymn #523 *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*

*Charge and Benediction

+Choral Response *Amen from Blessing and Benediction* (Schram) Chancel Choir

Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand

+ 11:00 Worship Service only

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	9/9	8:30am	Early Worship – <i>Food Pantry Collection</i>
		9:45am	Sunday School
		11:00am	Worship – <i>Food Pantry Collection</i>
Mon	9/10	7:00pm	Worship & Outreach Meeting
Tues	9/11	5:45pm	Stewardship & Finance Meeting
Wed	9/12	8:30am	Property & Grounds Meeting
		10:30am	Circle #1
		1:30pm	Joyce Skeen Circle
Thurs	9/13	6:00pm	Handbells
		7:00pm	Chancel Choir
Sunday	9/16	8:30am	Early Worship – <i>17th Sunday after Pentecost</i>
		9:45am	Sunday School
		11:00am	Worship – <i>17th Sunday after Pentecost</i>
		12:00pm	Congregational Meeting to Elect Church Officers

Newsletter Deadline

Attendance last Sunday: Beach – approx. 505; 11:00a.m. – 80

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to this service of Worship. Our prayer is that all will be blessed as we worship together. Visitors, please fill out a Visitor's Card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to a Greeter as you leave worship. Thank you.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by **Ginger Smith** to the **Glory of God** and in Loving Memory of **Fred Allsopp and Ernest Smith.**

Adults of ALL Ages – Come Back to Sunday School - The Faith Connections Class facilitated by Margaret Causey and Mike Claxton will start back up TODAY in our Fellowship Hall. Our studies for Fall 2018 and into 2019 include: *The Call: The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul*, *Short Stories by Jesus— a study of the parables* and *The Fruits of The Spirit*. Come to all the classes you can. See YOU there!

Meals-On-Wheels are in desperate need of Volunteer drivers to deliver meals to home-bound seniors in Shallotte. It only takes once a week or even on a substitute basis for 2 hours to make a huge difference in someone's day. If you'd like to help, please contact Sarah Powell, Volunteer Coordinator for Brunswick Senior Resources (910) 754-2300 ext 1022.

Congregational Meeting to Elect Church Officers following 11 Worship next Sunday, Sept. 16. The Nominations Committee Report – for **Deacon:** *Betsy Braddock, Bill Miller, Beth Spoon, and Mabel Winslow*; for **Elder:** *David Green, Rusty Russ, Jane Townsend, and Debbie Wingfield.*

These Days daily devotional for October-December are available on the bench in the Narthex.

Prayer Concerns: Tim Bartlett, Crystal Braxton, Lois Chadwick, Kat Cheves, Betty Church, Mike Claxton, Frank Couvillon, Marian Downer, Marie Greene, Marie Harrison, Christian Huffman, Carolyn Jenkins, Lesa Kolcun, Michael Kolcun, Lantz Lackey, Peggy Lackey, Ann Long, Jerry McCann, Martha Miller, Charlie Morriss, Catherine Norman, Lucie Oakley, Wayne Smith, Seamus Smithwick, Steve Spoon, Carole Stephenson and Bob Williams.



Rev. John Causey, Minister causeyoib@atmc.net

Barry Auman, Director of Music

Randy Warner, Organist/Pianist

T Worrell, Seminary Intern

Joyce Winkler, Qualified Ruling Elder

Dr. Les & Dr. Christy Morgan, Missionaries in Bangladesh

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