

## WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

**Prelude** “Holy God, We Praise Your Name” *Vienna ca. 1774-  
Katholisches Gesangbuch*

### Welcome and Announcements

**Choral Introit** “Come and See”

### \*Passing The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Please turn to your neighbor and exchange the greeting of peace.*

**\*Gathering Music #409** “God Is Here!” v.4 *Abbot’s Leigh*

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt

Keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.

Here, in this day’s dedication, all we have to give, receive:

We, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

### \*Call to Worship

One: We’ve come to worship God,

**All: who loved us before we were yet born,**

**who knows us even better than we know ourselves,**

**whose presence never leaves us,**

**and whose love for us never ceases.**

One: This is our God.

**All: Let’s worship together!**

**\*Hymn of Praise #403** “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty” *Unser Herrscher*

### Prayer of Confession

**God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You know our thoughts, our weaknesses, our motivations, our sins. And you love us still. Forgive us when we don’t believe such love is true or possible; When we wonder how You could love us just as we are, when we forget our intricate construction, fearfully, wonderfully made, in Your image! Remove from our minds every thought which keeps us from you. Break down the walls, push aside the pride, and help us to trust anew. You know our hearts. And you love us still. Amen.**

*Silence is kept for private confession*

### Words of Assurance

One: Friends, we cannot flee from God's presence, and that's a good thing!

God's love and grace and mercy are everywhere. God knows us, God

loves us, and God forgives us completely.

**All: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**Prayer Response #469** “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” *Children Praying*

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

## WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

In the beginning was the Word

**And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.**

**Old Testament Lesson:** *Gen. 28:10-19a* **Pew Bible OT, p. 25**

**The Word Declared** Rev. Karen Ware Jackson

**Anthem** “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

**Word and Wonder With All Ages** *Psalms 139:1-12. 23-24* **Pew Bible OT, p. 577**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

**\*Hymn of Response #475** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *Nettleton*

### Prayers of the People and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory** “Jacob’s Ladder” arr. Cindy Berry

**\*Doxology #609** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” *Lasst Uns Efreuen*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### \*Prayer of Dedication

**\*Closing Hymn #29** “O God, You Search Me” *O God, You Search Me*

## WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

### \*Charge and Benediction

*Before we go in God’s name, we will gather around the sanctuary in community with one another. Take your neighbors’ hands and say to each other:*

**“You are a beloved child of God”**

### Postlude

*\* Please rise in body or spirit*

## INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

**July Elders of the Month:** Bonnie Maready & Larry Jones

### Calendar for July 23 - 30

<b>Today:</b>	11:00 A.M.	Worship, Pennies for Hunger
	12:00 P.M.	Fellowship Brunch
	3:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service
<b>Thursday:</b>	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
<b>Friday:</b>	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
<b>Saturday:</b>	10:00 A.M.	Swahili Choir Practice and Prayer
<b>Sunday:</b>	11:00 A.M.	Worship
	3:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today (July 23<sup>rd</sup>) we will collect **Pennies for Hunger** and have our **Fellowship Brunch**.
- The **Men’s Bible Study and Sunday School classes** are on break for the summer. The **morning choir** will not have practice during July.
- As a reminder, **donations are needed for Greensboro Urban Ministry** year round. The need is constant and your support is always valued!

**SALEM PRESBYTERY CHURCH PRAYER LIST**

Don Saunders, President of  
North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society-  
Lansing-Siler City-Trinity, Salisbury

**FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST:**

Please be in touch with the office regarding any additions or  
corrections to the Prayer List. You may call (336.292.5150) or  
e-mail (faithpresgsonc@gmail.com).

Larry Avent and Family  
Rick Barreau  
The Family of Jim Bodkin  
Priscilla Christiansen  
Bertha Collins (Ralph Bazhaw's  
sister)  
Vicki Duncan  
Bonnie Evans  
The Family of Clyde Fraley  
Kem Gomo  
Pat Greeson  
Helen Hall  
Harold Henderson  
The Family of Sandy Henderson

Judy Herron and Family  
Sara Kearns  
Tommy Knight (Betsy Rule's cousin)  
Stephanie Lindley and Family  
Marge Mack  
The Family of Andy Moye  
Garth and Inky Payne  
Georgia Renfrow  
The Sharon Family  
Patricia Shoffner (René's mother)  
Bill Summerlin (René's father-in-law)  
Karen Thomas (Helen Hall's daughter)  
The Family of Ken Wheat  
Marge Zelif

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resources.pdf](http://www.ucc.org/50/pdfs/worship-resources.pdf)

**Pastoral Team**

Rev. Karen Ware Jackson, Pastor  
Rev. Jim Rissmiller, Parish Associate  
Prince Mundeke Mushunju, Swahili Service Pastor  
René Summerlin, Music Director  
Beverly Lucas, Office Administrator  
Michelle Watkins, Childcare Provider

**WELCOME TO FAITH PRESBYTERIAN**



**We embrace inter-generational worship and welcome the giggles, questions, tears, and even shouts that enliven our oh-so-orderly service.** We do have a **professionally staffed nursery** available for babies and toddlers, but we encourage our youngest members to learn with and from us throughout the worship service.

There is a **“PrayGround”** available for children and adults at the front of the sanctuary. Feel free to join our young people in their interactive worship activities! **These experiences are great for active learners of all ages, and our children and their parents appreciate your engagement and support.**

We want to be a true family of faith and that means celebrating the gifts, questions, and talents of each of our members from young in age to young at heart!

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July 23, 2017  
11:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord's Day  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

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