

ORDER OF WORSHIP
 Sunday, September 9, 2018
 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

ENTRANCE

The people come together in the Lord's name.

PRELUDE

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST AMONG US

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Morning Has Broken* UMH 145

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Those who trust in God are like the mountains, immovable and abiding.

All: God shelters the people: today and for eternity.

One: Rich or poor, God creates us to pursue justice and to care for one another.

All: Be a blessing, O God, to those who are good and upright in heart.

One: God calls us to be rich in faith, to honor our heritage as heirs of the Kingdom.

All: We are blessed when we share our blessings that peace may be upon the people.

One: Let us pray together...

*OPENING PRAYER

Holy One, we call upon your name, for we know that your name and favor are more precious than human riches. You hate wickedness and abhor the neglect of your people. You call us to righteousness, to reach out to others with justice and mercy. You teach us right from wrong, that we may truly live in your grace. In the shadow of that grace, we offer compassion and mercy to others. Abide with us this day that we may serve you forevermore. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Maker, in Whom We Live* UMH 88

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF PRAYER *His Eye Is on the Sparrow* TFWS 2146

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

CHORAL RESPONSE *Threefold Amen*

PROCLAMATION

The Scriptures are opened to the people.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM *Hymn of Grateful Praise* John Fettke

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE	Psalm 139:1-6, 23-24 1 Corinthians 10:13	OT 552 NT 159
SERMON	<i>Lord, You Know Me</i>	Rev. Bill Showman

RESPONSE

The people respond with acts of commitment and faith.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* UMH 881

OFFERING

Offerory	<i>My Heavenly Father Loves Me</i>	arr. Sally DeFord
Doxology		UMH 95
*Dedication of the Offering		

SENDING FORTH

The people are sent into ministry with the Lord's blessing.

*HYMN OF PROMISE *Blessed Assurance* UMH 369

*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES FORTH

BENEDICTION *On Eagle's Wings* UMH 143

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,
 Bear you on the breath of dawn,
 Make you to shine like the sun,
 And hold you in the palm of God's hand.

POSTLUDE

* = Please stand as you are able.

NT = New Testament, OT = Old Testament

TFWS = The Faith We Sing, UMH = United Methodist Hymnal

A fully staffed and stocked nursery is available for your convenience.

Also, the rocking chairs in the Sanctuary are for rocking your little ones.

Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory and praise of Almighty God and in memory of our sons, Walter "Chris" Byrd on his September 3 birthday and Cory Linwood Byrd on his September 27 birthday, with our everlasting love, by Walter and Susie.

Welcome Rev. Bill Showman

We offer a warm Divine Street welcome to our guest preacher this morning, Rev. Bill Showman. Bill joined the United States Air Force in 1971 right out of high school. He retired after the Desert Storm military campaign was coming to an end in 1991. Bill surrendered his life to the Lord in 1984 and in 1985 felt the call of the Lord to serve as a pastor. Bill felt that he needed more experience and education before he could pick up the mantle of becoming a pastor. In 1998, the call came again and this time the mantle was picked up. He became an ordained Minister in 2001. He has worked in many different leadership roles in ministries from Tape and Outreach Ministries to Church Administrator. In November 2017, he became a Certified Lay Speaker with the Capital District of The United Methodist Church. He is married to Julie, has six adult children and seven grandchildren. Bill has many nuggets of truth to share but this is his favorite: "Christianity is not a Religion, it's a lifestyle."

SUPPORTING THE CHURCH

BY OUR PRAYERS...

Unless otherwise requested, prayer requests remain on this list for thirty days. We have an active prayer chain. If you have need for immediate prayer, please call the church office or Joanne Taylor at 910-892-7034.

Lou Allred	Susie Byrd	Joe Giles	Ida Lawrence
Irma Apel	Larry Carmichael	Tanya Giles	Family of James E. Lee, Jr.
James Best	Nancy Cooper	Family of Johnny Glover	Nancy Thomas
David Brooks	James Cooper	Alton Gower	Dollye Walters
Jimmy Brooks	Charlie Crumpler, Jr.	Rick Grossman	Irvin Warren
Harold Butts	John Curtis	Sarah Herring	Terry Waterbury
Carroll Byrd	Lin Ferrell	Susan Horton	Vickie West
Kim Byrd	Elliott Gifford	Anne Johnson	



BY OUR PRESENCE AND GIFTS 9/2/18...

Sunday School Attendance	30	Offering Received	\$ 4,457.00
Worship Attendance	74	Weekly Cash Needs	\$ 7,369.29

Memorials for **Mary Lemuel Blalock** have been given by Deborah Murray and Priscilla Ann Weber.

A Place to... Belong... Believe... Become

BY OUR SERVICE...

		<i>This Week</i>		<i>Next Week</i>
ACOLYTE	Sep 9	Aloah Woodrow	Sep 16	Christopher Parker
ALTAR FLOWERS	Sep 9	Susie Byrd	Sep 16	Frances Opperman
FINANCE	Sep 9	Rudy King	Sep 16	Ellen Jernigan
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Sep 9	Cindy Coats	Sep 16	Open
GREETERS	Sep 9	Sharon Hundley	Sep 16	Robert and Kay Parker
		Jeff and Julie Malcolm		Joanne Taylor
NURSERY	Sep 9	Joanne Taylor	Sep 16	Georganna Gaines
		<i>This Month</i>		<i>Next Month</i>
ALTAR GUILD	Sep	Peggy Johnson	Oct	Caroline Wilson
		Susie Creel		Heidi Hamilton
LITURGIST	Sep	Gary Ronnfeldt	Oct	Craig Strickland
USHERS	Sep	Whit Brewer, Pete Bynum,	Oct	Charlie Crumpler, Al Gower
		Harold Butts, Jerry Callahan		Open, Open

Next Week's Readings

Proverbs 1:20-33
Psalm 19
James 3:1-12
Mark 8:27-38

SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

Divine Street United Methodist Church

Rev. Elizabeth Gaines, Pastor
Rev. Bill Showman, Guest Preacher
Mrs. Amy Stovall, Director of Music Ministries
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