

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. Please feel free to pick up a blue informational folder outside the entrances to the sanctuary to learn more about our church. Also, please fill out a visitor card in the pew racks and place in the offering plate so we can have a record of your visit.

A Word About Our Worship Service: Membership Vows

When people join the church, they are publicly declaring their allegiance to God through Jesus Christ. Joining the church is also a public declaration of submission to God, the Scriptures, God's appointed Elders and the congregation as a whole. We covenant to live life together according to God's Word.

Sunday Nights @ First Join us tonight at 6 P.M. We will sing, pray and hear from God's Word as we study Matthew 5:5, blessed are the meek.

Practice singing the *National Anthem* following the evening service tonight—August 13, for First ARP Night at the Burlington Royals Baseball Game on the 15th.

Joint Officers & Stated Session Meeting - 7 P.M.

Tuesday night, August 15 at 7 P.M. is First ARP night at the Burlington Royals Baseball Game. Tickets are \$6.

First ARP's Annual **Ministry Fair** will be during Sunday School on August 20. This is your opportunity to discover the ministries our church offers and to sign up!

Young at Heart meets Tuesday, August 22 at 11:45 A.M. Rev. Stephen Crotts will report on his recent trip to China! Lasagna is on the menu; please bring sides to accompany.

Table Talk—for 20's & 30's—next meets for food and fellowship on Tuesday, August 22 at 7 P.M. at the Crotts home.

Cat Kids meets again on September 6 & 13 at 6:30 P.M. at the church building.

Men's Gatherings for September are on the 11th at 12 noon & 7 P.M.

Ladies Evening Book Study is September 12 at 7 P.M.

Ladies Bible Study resumes Wednesday, September 13 at 11 A.M. at the church building.

Save the Date! HOMECOMING is Sunday, September 24. Join us for a congregational lunch to reminisce and look ahead. Ham & turkey will be provided; the congregation is asked to bring fall sides and desserts.

Save the Date! First ARP's Fall Festival is Saturday, October 14 at 4 P.M. Join us for bbq and fixins, games and bluegrass music with special guest, Dewey Brown.

Ministry Information

| NURSERY | COUNTER | DEACON ON DUTY |
|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Today | Kathy & Laurie Isley | Ferald Mann Glenn Owens |
| Next Week | Anne Garner & Vicki McPherson | Glenn Owens Larry Isley |

Tithes and Offerings on August 6, 2017

General Fund \$5,091.25

THE PRAYER NEEDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

HEALTH & STRENGTH:

Connie Bennett (Parkinson's)

Macon Baird (recovering from throat cancer surgery)

Theo Baulding (relief from hip pain)

Jean Cathey (recovering from eye surgery) (after the loss of her brother)

David Huffman recovering from detached retina repair surgery

Lola Knox (healing from cancer)

Ferald Mann (relief from pain)

Grady Pack (oxygen levels return to normal & stabilize)

Christine Roberts (Ed Limon's sister with alzheimers, moving)

Audrey Turner (strength)

Cindy Wright (healing from infection, strength, healing with R.A.)

OTHER NEEDS:

Karen Hoke as she prepares to move on or before September 1st.

Foy Evans moving on August 19 to Elon; suitable employment for daughter, Justine

Margaret Owens as she mourns the loss of her mother, Mildred Turbyfill

Shauneen Roy as she recovers from vehicle crashing into her home

Nicole Newton & children after the loss of David, provision, wisdom

Ask that God would give parents faithfulness in raising their children.

FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:

Elizabeth Barber, Theo Baulding, Jean Cathey, Foy Evans, Doris Haywood, June

Little, George McKinney, Catherine Mangum, Pat Montgomery, Gene Parks, Mae

Wilburn, Al Wright

FAMILY OF THE WEEK: Steve Kyaw

RETURNING STUDENTS, TEACHERS

EMERGENCY WORKERS, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, ARMED FORCES:

Ask for God to grant wisdom for those who serve in seats of authority: parents, earthly masters, governors, judges and officers of the law.

Josh Limon, stateside; Steven Mendiola, Mid East (wife, Maggie, Baby Girl due 8/15)

LOCAL CHURCH: Beacon Baptist Church, Pastor

MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT: Meals on Wheels (Glenn Owens & Gary Gregory)

Rev. Josh Grimm (R.U.F., Queens University)

MISSIONARIES: For those in our congregation who are called, set apart and sent on short-term missions.

Andrew & Norene Brunson in Turkey; pray for his release from prison

ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MINISTRIES: Dunlap Orphanage

SESSION

Moderator: Rev. Bryan Crotts

Vice Moderator: Jay Snow

Clerk: John Robinson

2017: Bill Haynes

2018: John Robinson & Jay Snow

2019: Ferald Mann

Elders Emeritus: Jim Knox & Gene Parks

DIACONATE

Chairman: Glenn Owens, 2018

Vice Chairman: Larry Isley, 2019

Secretary: Stephen Robinson, 2017

CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS

Trustees: Steve Kyaw, Jim Knox,

Ferald Mann, Gene Parks

Treasurer: Laurene Howington

Secretary: John Robinson

Chairman: James Constable

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“For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh—” Philippians 3:3, ESV

THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, August 13, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP
11 o'clock

Greeting of the Saints The Congregation & Visitors

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Voluntary for Silent Prayer

Votum Psalm 124:8, *ESV*

“Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.”

Salutation Revelation 1:4-5, *ESV*

Call to Worship* Psalm 136, *ESV*

Hymn of Adoration*
Insert *Give to Our God Immortal Praise* WARRINGTON

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Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith *Heidelberg Catechism, No. 1 & 2*

Minister: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: *That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and redeemed me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; yes, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready henceforth, to live unto him.*

Minister: How many things are necessary for you to know, that in this comfort you may live and die happily?

People: *Three things: First, the greatness of my sin and misery. Second, how I am redeemed from all my sins and misery. Third, how I am to be thankful to God for such redemption.*

Unison: *Thanks be to God!*

Song of Praise*
No. 73 *Thou Art Worthy* WORTHY

Corporate Confession of Sin

Eternal and Almighty Father, we acknowledge and confess before your holy Majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and corruption, prone to evil, unable of ourselves to do any good; who, by reason of our sinfulness, transgress your holy commandments. O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and deplore our offenses! Be pleased then to have compassion on us, Father of all mercies, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt and corruption, grant us the daily increase of your Holy Spirit that we might put to death the sin that is within us and bear all the fruit of the Spirit in our daily lives. We trust you for these graces on the basis of the death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Romans 5:17

“If, because of one man’s trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.”

Hymn of Redemption*
No. 340 *I Lay My Sins on Jesus* CRUCIFIX

Reading of the Old Testament Jeremiah 31:31-40, *ESV*

Pastoral Prayer and 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, 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.

The Lord’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory
Hymn of Praise*
No. 625 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

Reading of the New Testament Philippians 3:1-11, *ESV*

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God’s Holy Word Rev. Bryan Crotts
Sound in the Faith

Prayer to Seal God’s Word

Hymn of Commitment*
No. 382 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

Benediction*

Postlude

EVENING WORSHIP
6 o'clock

”It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name,
O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night.” Psalm 92:1-2

Prelude Julie Snow

Readings from God’s Holy Word Psalm 37, *ESV* Rev. Bryan Crotts

Opening Hymn*
Insert *Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder* ALL SAINTS OLD

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The Belgic Confession (1561) Article 4
Canonical Books of the Holy Scripture

We believe that the Holy Scriptures are contained in two books, namely, the Old and New Testament, which are canonical, against which nothing can be alleged. These are thus named in the Church of God. The books of the Old Testament are, the five books of Moses, namely Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy; the books of Joshua, Ruth, Judges, the two books of Samuel, the two of the Kings, two books of the Chronicles, commonly called Paralipomenon, the first of Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job, the Psalms of David, the three books of Solomon, namely, the Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and the Song of Songs; the four great prophets Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel and Daniel; and the twelve lesser prophets, namely, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi.

Those of the New Testament are the four evangelists, namely Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John; the Acts of the Apostles; the fourteen epistles of the apostle Paul, namely one to the Romans, two to the Corinthians, one to the Galatians, one to the Ephesians, one to the Philippians, one to the Colossians, two to the Thessalonians, two to Timothy, one to Titus, one to Philemon, and one to the Hebrews; the seven epistles of the other apostles, namely, one of James, two of Peter, three of John, one of Jude; and the Revelation of the apostle John.

Prayers of the Congregation
Adoration ~ Confession ~ Thanksgiving ~ Supplication

The Beatitudes *Blessed Are the Meek* Rev. Bryan Crotts
Matthew 5:5, *ESV*

Prayer

Closing Hymn*
Insert *The Beatitudes* QUEBEC

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Sermon Notes

* Congregation Standing