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Sunday Service Bulletin

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All Knowing Creator

Ascribe to God Worship Series

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Class of 2024

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship



**** P - Pastor. Bold - C: Congregation responds ****

P: The psalmist declares, “Lord, you have searched me and known me.” Will you open yourselves to be searched by God?

C: Search us, O God, and know our hearts.

P: God searches you, knows you, and loves you, and invites you to search out God in return. Will you seek the heart of God?

C: We will search you, O God, to know your heart.

P: The Triune God who creates all and knows all is revealed in running rivers and fluttering butterflies, in warm sunshine and the smell of the earth. Will you pay attention?

C: We will pay attention, O God, to your fingerprint of love on all of creation.

P: Open our hearts today to encounter your love, holiness, and glory that create and sustain all that was, is, and will be.

C: We come today to enter the mystery of the Trinity, the all-knowing Creator and Sustainer of life.

Our Statement of Faith – The Apostles Creed p. 881 UMH

**** All to recite in unison ****

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 rose 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.

The Gloria Patri p. 70 UMH

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

Opening Hymn – Open My Eyes That I May See p. 454 UMH

Sharing Our Praises & Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

Offering - Ushers come forward

Doxology p. 95 UMH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 139, 1-6, 13-18 (ESV)

**** L (Leader) C (Congregation) ****

L: ¹ O Lord, you have searched me and known me!

**C: ² You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.**

L: ³ You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.

**C: ⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you
know it altogether.**

L: ⁵ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon
me.

**C: ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot
attain it.**

L: ¹³ For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in
my mother's womb.

**C: ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.**

L: ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made
in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

C: ¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were

written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

L: ¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

C: ¹⁸ **If I would count them, they are more than the sand. I awake, and I am still with you.**

Congregational Hymn – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty pg. 139
UMH vv. 1, 2, & 5

Gospel Reading – Mark 2:23 – 3:6 (ESV)

^{2:23} One Sabbath he was going through the grain fields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴ And the Pharisees were saying to him, “Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?” ²⁵ And he said to them, “Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: ²⁶ how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?” ²⁷ And he said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. ²⁸ So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath.”

^{3:1} Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. ² And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³ And he said to the man with the withered hand, “Come here.” ⁴ And he said to them, “Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. ⁵ And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was

restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

Sermon – All Knowing Creator

Holy Communion – Service of Word & Table II

Closing Hymn – I'll Fly Away – Please refer to handout for music

Benediction & Commission

As we prepare to leave this place, turn to a neighbor or, if you are at home, look in a mirror. Now, look into the eyes of the person in front of you and say, “You are fearfully and wonderfully made.” May this truth be a blessing to you this week: the Creator who knows you better than you know yourself fearfully and wonderfully made you just as you are. Let us go now to speak truth, share love, and recognize the Creator’s fingerprint in all of creation. Amen!

Announcements

- Today is Graduation Sunday. We are recognizing our two graduates for 2024 during our worship service. Everyone is invited to attend a reception for the graduates, in the fellowship hall, immediately after the worship service.

Gabriel Sabastian Tyler Pitts will graduate from West Forsyth High School on June 8, 2024. Gabriel is an Honor Roll student at West Forsyth. He plans to attend Forsyth Community College in the Fall. He will be studying Computer Science concentrating on Cyber Security/Networking. He is the son of Crystal Huff and Randall Pitts, Jr., the grandson of Lynn Gough Horne and Randall Pitts, Sr., and the great-grandson of Frances V. Gough.

Sara Gail Hennings graduated from Catawba College in Salisbury, N.C. on May 4, 2024. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Creative Writing and a minor in History. She is pursuing a career in editorial work. Sara is the daughter of Kim Poston and the fiancé of John Thomas Collins.

- The Administrative Board will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 6 PM on Tuesday, June 4, 2024

Prayer List

Military / Missionary

Steve and Lena Gough

All who are serving our country at home and abroad

Church Family

Wayne Bumgardner

Frank Dalton

The Family of Jenny Davis

Sherry Doub

Frances V. Gough

Wanda Needham

Barbara Perryman

Frances Sisk

Eleanor Thompson

Church Friend / Extended Family

Tommy Bost

Tammy Seats Boyd

Jane Bullin

Leisha Carpenter

Glenna Culler

Joe Dean

Amanda Doub

Ruby Driver

Joanne Everhart

Mary & Francis File

Eddie Haire

Garry Harbin

Kathy Harbin

Lynda Harper

Randy Hunter

Amber Lambert

Jeannette Lanier

Family of Becky Lingo

Kevin McBride

Kevin McDaniel

Matt McKnight

Mark Megela

Marie Parrish

Dawn Proctor

Jay D. Prevette

Vivian Royal

Mary Ellen Smith

Mark Wall

Ann Wallace

Robert and Susan Warren

Savannah Wooten

June Birthdays

Alexis Kate Mark	1	Judy Williard	16
Lena Holt Travis	1	Melissa Kellam	19
Lilliemaë Disher	6	Denise Ball Mills	19
Kaye Smith	7	Casey Mote	20
Chelsea Hunter	10	Carma Dawson	25
Kelsey Schmidt	13	Linda Gould	26
Heather Burton	14	Clarence Southern	26
Phil Seats	15	Wendee Disher	30
Tim Disher	16		

Wesley Covenant Prayer

I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.

And the covenant which I have made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen!

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I'll Fly Away

1. Some glad morn-ing when this life is o'er, } fly a-
 2. When the shad-ows of this life have gone, } fly a-
 3. Just a few more wea-ry days and then, } fly a-

fly a-way;
 to a home on God's ce-les-tial shore,
 like a bird from pris-on bars has flown,
 to a land where joys shall nev-er end,

Refrain

I'll fly a-way, fly a-way, O glo-ry,
 I'll fly a-way, I'll fly a-way,
 I'll fly a-way, fly a-way,
 I'll fly a-way, fly a-way,

I'll fly a-way, in the morn-ing.
 I'll fly a-way, When I die, hal-le-

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I'LL FLY AWAY
 94, 94 with Refrain

lu-jah, by and by, I'll fly a-way,
 fly a-way, fly a-way.

For All the Saints

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1. For all the saints who've shown your
 2. For all the saints who loved your
 3. For all the saints who named your
 4. Bless all whose will or

love in how they live and where they
 name, whose faith in-creased the Sav-ior's
 will, and showed the king-dom com-ing
 love re-flects the grace of heaven a-

move, for mind-ful wo-men, car-ing
 fame, who sang your songs and shared your
 still through self-less pro-test, prayer, and
 above. Though un-ac-claimed by earth-ly

men, ac-cept our gra-ti-tude a-gain.
 word, ac-cept our gra-ti-tude, good Lord,
 praise, ac-cept the gra-ti-tude we raise.
 powers, your life through theirs has hal-lowed ours.

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