



SUMMER WORSHIP  
Shelby Presbyterian Church  
August 27, 2017  
10:00 a.m.

### Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Len Byers

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: *"There Is a Balm in Gilead"*

arr. Hopson

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: from Psalm 107    Marlene Lovelace

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

those he redeemed from trouble

**And gathered...from the east and from the west,  
from the north and from the south.**

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,  
for his wonderful works to humankind.

**For he satisfies the thirsty,  
and the hungry he fills with good things.**

Let those who are wise give heed to these things,

**And consider the steadfast love of the Lord.**

\*PRAISE HYMNS #32: *"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

#458: *"Thy Word Is a Lamp Unto My Feet"*

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **Holy God, you shower your goodness upon us, yet we turn away. We treasure the things of this world and lose sight of what is most important. Forgive our closed ears, blind eyes, and unyielding hearts. Forgive the times we have failed to help sisters and brothers in need. Transform our lives through the power of your Holy Spirit. Forgive us and restore us, for we long to commune with you and to know the fullness of your joy in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, we pray. (silent confession)**

RESPONSE IN SONG: Hymn #288 *"Spirit of the Living God"*

***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;***

***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.***

**Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS  
Friends, believe the good news!  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

\*GLORIA: *“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”* (v. 4) tune No. 143  
**Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,  
laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one:  
one in might and one in glory while unending ages run!**

\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST  
May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!  
**And also with you!** (*Greet one another with the Peace of Christ.*)

\*SONG #468: *“In My Life”* verse 3  
**In your church, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.  
In your church, Lord, be glorified today.**

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN: *“Gifts!”* (Romans 12:6-8) Anne Langley

NEWS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY Marlene Lovelace

MOMENT FOR PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN Pat Byers

\*HYMN #801: *“The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Marlene Lovelace

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 1:2

SOLO: *“How Beautiful”* (Paris) Heidi Steeves, Soprano

NEW TESTAMENT READING: John 20:11-16

SERMON: *“When You Need a Big Cradle”* Len Byers

\*HYMN #693: *“Though I May Speak”*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles’ Creed Len Byers  
**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  
Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was**

**crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he  
rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on  
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 Ghost, the holy  
catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the  
resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
Offertory: *“The Love of God”* Lehman/Hamlin  
\*Doxology  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures  
here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son,  
and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN #65: *“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Len Byers

\*RESPONSE: Hymn #541 *“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”* v. 1  
**God be with you till we meet again;  
loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
with a shepherd’s care enfold you:  
God be with you till we meet again.**

\*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*POSTLUDE: *Toccatina in D Major* Southbridge

\*Those who are able may stand.  
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**Sound Board:** Jim Teddy Jr.

**Deacon Ushers:** Laura Carter, Sandy Cheaney,  
Thomas Couch, Tom Greene, Phil Haydon

**Childcare** is available for preschool aged children in Room 102  
and is staffed today by Tricia Butler and Erica Vargas.

*In order to protect your children, please be sure they are accompanied at all times by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.*

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**WE WELCOME** all who worship with us and thank The Reverend Len Byers for leading worship this morning. If you are interested in more information or in becoming a member of our family of faith, please call the church office, 704-487-8503.

**LAURA WHEELER** and Luke Harkey will be part of a group from Presbytery going to Taiwan August 28-September 6. Laura Wheeler will be posting about the trip on Facebook. If anyone wants to follow and is not currently with Laura on Facebook, just send her a request!

**THIS WEEK (AUGUST 27-SEPTEMBER 2, 2017):**

Today        **Kids Camp** in Ellis Hall after Moments with Children  
                 6:00 pm **Kick-Off Party for Youth Groups** in Ellis Hall  
Monday      7:00 pm **Boy Scout Troop 100** in Scout House  
Tuesday     8:45-1:15 **Rainbow Connection** Teacher Work Day  
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                 9:30 am **SPC Staff Meeting** in Pastor’s Study  
                 6:00-7:00 **Rainbow Connection Open House**

**NEXT SUNDAY, September 3**, is our last 10:00 service. Pete Gilbert will lead worship, and five-cents-a-meal offering will be received.

**“SUNDAYS WITH SYDNEY”** continue each Sunday through Sept. 3 at 9:30 in the Youth Room for all Middle School and High School students to meet our new Youth Director, Sydney Davis. Refreshments are provided.

**THE YOUTH COMMITTEE** is seeking new leaders for our middle school youth group. If you would like to know more about being involved with our middle school youth ministry, please contact Spencer Borders at 910-270-0235 or Thomas Couch at 704-284-4566.

**MARION SCHOOL BACK PACK FOOD MINISTRY.** . . . As the school year begins, Shelby Presbyterian Church will again provide food for the weekends for students identified as at risk for having inadequate nourishing food over the weekends. We work with the social worker and the school secretary to see that each week food is provided for the social worker to distribute. The cost is \$5-\$6 per child per week. We usually sponsor 10 children (or more if the need arises.) We need \$60 per week for 40 weeks or \$2400 per year. Please send your donations to the church office with a notation “for the food back pack ministry.” Thank you for your support. Joyce and Doug Boyette

**THIS FALL** The Rev. Alden “Al” Sproull will lead a discussion on Spiritual Direction as it relates to the reformed tradition as well as the greater church. Discussion will be held during Sunday School for four consecutive weeks beginning September 17.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:**

2017 Operating Budget. . . . . \$543,199.00  
2017 Monthly Budget Needs. . . . . \$ 45,266.58  
Total Received August 1-20, 2017. . . . . \$ 23,001.45

**CONTRIBUTIONS** were received this week to the Memorial Fund in memory of Marty Harkey, Betsy Martin; to the Operating Expense in honor of Debbie Griffin; to the Organ Fund in honor of Kathy and Sandy Brenneman on their birthdays.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER** (also see ongoing prayer list in newsletter) . . . .

Jack Breen, John Campbell, Charles Clyatt, Jennifer Clyatt, Ed Cushman, Eddie Deas, Gina Grigg, Lisa McLaurin, Presbytery Team in Taiwan including Luke Harkey and Laura Wheeler; all those serving in the military; Stephen Ministers & their Care Receivers; Food Ministry, Rainbow Connection, Our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos, Jo Ella Holman in the Caribbean, John McCall in Taiwan, Dr. Steve & Alene Burgert in Kenya; Christians around the globe who are persecuted for their faith

**OCTET DINNERS**  
**OCTOBER 2017 - MAY 2018**  
**GROUPS OF 6 TO 8**  
***DINNER & FELLOWSHIP AT A MEMBER'S HOME***  
***AT YOUR HOME JUST FOUR TIMES IN A YEAR!!!***  
**PLEASE SIGN UP BY SEPTEMBER 23**

To encourage Christian fellowship (and enjoy good food) within our church family, we are forming Octet Dinner groups. Each group will meet once a month for dinner and fellowship at a member's home. The groups will meet the entire year so that if a group is just too busy one month, they can just skip a month and continue the next month. Details regarding menus and schedules will be coordinated within the group at the initial dinner. Each month, a different member should host the dinner. It works best if the host arranges the main course and assigns others to bring salads, sides, and desserts. Dinner does not need to be fancy! **KEEP IT SIMPLE!!!**

This provides a great opportunity to enjoy Christian fellowship, spirited conversation, and good food within small groups with our church family. You can request to be in a group with friends if you like! Be sure you both fill out forms. You can email the information to [patbilscot@yahoo.com](mailto:patbilscot@yahoo.com) or drop off the form at the church office or put in the offering plate.

For more information, contact:

Lori Titus 704-406-9331 [patbilscot@yahoo.com](mailto:patbilscot@yahoo.com)

Church Office 704-487-8503 [jane@shelbypres.org](mailto:jane@shelbypres.org)

Octet Groups of 6 to 8

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be able to host the initial dinner for your group?

Yes or No (circle)

I want to be in a group with \_\_\_\_\_.