

## WORSHIP LEADERS for TODAY ~ May 17

**9 AM: Greeter:** Kirk Finley

**Host/Hostess:** Michele Pepper

**Worship Leader:** Tom Jones

**Power Point:** Vicki Waldrop

**11 AM: Usher:** Larry Clark

**Worship Leader:** Mickey Sharp

**Readers:** Neva Beasley, Gail Birdsong

**For this coming week –May 17-23:**

**Care Center Pick-up:** JC & Juanice Scrimshire

**Worship leader schedules are available at**

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Members:** Merrie Duncan; Brenda and Don Copeland;  
Sandy Young, Mary Burnette

**Friends & Relatives:** Will Lee (Tennent Lee's son); Andrea  
Murphy (friend of Merrie Duncan); Greg Scrimshire

**The Church:** Rev. Dr. Tammy Gregory Brown, Executive  
Presbyter

**Military & International:** All those serving in the armed  
forces; the people of Nepal.

**For our Nation:** President Obama and our representatives

**For Big Cove Missions & Ministries:** New Hope Children's  
Clinic; The CARE Center; Kairos Prison Ministry; The Vine  
Pastoral Counseling Center; The Presbyterian Home for  
Children

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK!

Presley Birdsong on the 17<sup>th</sup> (TODAY!)

Alaina Harvey on the 18<sup>th</sup>

Conrow Book on the 21<sup>st</sup>

Sherry Sakovich on the 22<sup>nd</sup>

Jane Rutledge on the 23<sup>rd</sup>

## ANNOUNCEMENT

**Christian Exploration** for adults will be another lively discussion based on the book *What's the Least I can Believe and Still be a Christian?* David Lilly will lead the group.

**The Youth** will meet for Christian Exploration today. This will be the last class before summer break.

**There will be a morning set up** at The Care Center this coming Mon May 18th at 9 am.

**Centering Prayer** will meet Mon May 18 6:00.

**Wed Night Immersion** is breaking for the Summer.

**Thursday Morning Prayer Group** will meet on May 21.

**Care Package for Copelands!** We would like to fill the box with greeting cards and letters, as well as goodies, so please drop your personalized note to them in the marked box. Thank you! **Pick up is tomorrow.**

**Remember next Sunday, May 24, is Pentecost**, and there will be **one service** at 10 am only.

**If you have additional items for Heidi Meadows' trip** to Mozambique, please bring them and put them in the box in the vestibule by the day after Memorial Day, Tues May 26.

**The pastor is offering Bible 101 classes** between services in June and July. If you are interested, please let her know. Ages 12-adult are welcome!

**Interested in learning** more about the church or about joining? Please see the pastor or one of the elders.

## WELCOME TO BIG COVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



**May 17, 2015**

**"First Light" Worship – Sundays at 9 AM**

**Guitarist:** John Isom

**Percussionist:** Jimmy Jones

**Traditional Worship – Sundays at 11 AM**

**Music Director:** Carla Feehan

**Pianist:** Daniel Norwood

Rev. Rosemary McMahan & Rev. Houston Hodges

*Nursery Available*

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**9 AM ~ FIRST LIGHT CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

**Called by God, We Gather**

Call to Worship ~ Ringing of the Bell

**Song of Worship:** Meet With Me

**Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us**

**Song to Prepare for Message:** Give Thanks

**Spoken to by God, We Listen**

John 17:6-19 766

**The Message** "Which World?"  
**Rev Rosemary McMahan**

**Believing in God, We Respond**

Dedication of New Cross  
Praise Reports and Prayer Requests  
Announcements

**Celebrating Our Blessings**

**Offertory:** Everything

**Blessed by God, We Give Thanks:**

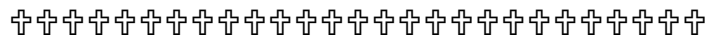
**Communion Song:** Sanctuary  
Celebration of the Lord's Supper

*(Silent Reflection)*

**Sent by God, We Go Out**

**Sending Song:** Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

**Blessing and Sending**



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**11 AM ~ TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

**Preparing for Worship**

*The prelude marks the beginning of worship and is observed in silence.*

**Prelude:** "Allemande" J. S. Bach

**Called by God, We Gather**

One: All around the world,  
**All: People rise to greet the morning and sing praise to the Creator.**

One: All over the earth,  
**All: People hold hands around a table and offer thanks.**

One: All around the globe,  
**All: Some cry for food, some are filled with laughter, all search for truth.**

One: All around the world,  
**All: Hearts hear a sacred whisper and yearn for love.**

One: All around the world,  
**All: People sing, and we join the unending chorus of praise.**

One: Let us worship our Lord with joy!

**Song of Worship:** God of Grace and God of Glory 569

**Confession and Pardon**

One: Every glimpse of Christ's glory reminds us of the hope we have in him both now and for the future. It also reminds us of our own inadequacy and insufficiency. Let us go to God in prayer to confess our sin, first in silence, and then together.

**ALL: Merciful and forgiving Savior, a review of our lives reveals a mixed bag. At times we've displayed courage, at other times fear. Faith is co-mingled with doubt. We are compassionate one minute and holding a grudge the next. Contentment loses ground to envy. Worry steals the peace that passes understanding. Hopefulness dissolves into self-pity. We confess that we are broken and are powerless to change it. We need your mercy. We want to be made whole and new. We ask for your forgiveness and for you to do in us and for us what we cannot. Amen.**

One: All things are possible with Christ. The old self dies with Christ and the same Spirit that renewed his life renews ours. Friends, hear the Good News and believe; in Jesus Christ you are forgiven. Amen.

**Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us**

**Spoken to by God, We Listen**

Anthem "Glory Bound" arr. Shafferman

Old Testament Psalm 1 383-384

New Testament Acts 1: 15-17; 21-26 770-771

**Song of Reflection:** Christ for the World! We Sing (Stanzas 1-3) 561

Gospel John 17:6-19 766

**Sermon:** "Which World?"  
**Rev Rosemary McMahan**

**Believing in God, We Respond**

Dedication of New Cross  
People's Prayers  
Announcements

**Celebrating Our Blessings**

**Offertory:** "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus" Traditional

**Doxology** 34  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

**The Lord's Prayer** (in unison)  
***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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.***

**Sent by God, We Go Out**

**Song of Sending:** Hymn of Promise 515

**Blessing and Sending**

**Postlude**

*The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in celebration of Alaina's birthday by the Harveys.*