

Flower Dedication

The flowers in the sanctuary this week are offered to the Glory of God and In memory of our parents by Tommy & Mary Ann Blakemore.

WORSHIP LEADERS for today July 16:

Greeters/Ushers: Alaina Harvey/ Gary Bass

Worship Leader: Don Barnhart

BIG COVE MINISTRIES this coming week July 16-22:

CARE Center Pick-up: Kate Hosna

WAVE Team: Hartwell & Pat Lutz

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members: Edith Cropp; Judy Styles; Pat Burke; Ray Waldrop; Amanda Vernon; Mary Burnette; Sandy Young; Merrie Duncan

Friends & Relatives: the family of Phyllis Rader (mother of Renay Nunn); Rev. Mel Strain; Rev. Bill & Sarah Shouse; Rev. Houston & Pat Hodges; Becky Marshall (mother of Melinda Harvey); Derek Emmerson (friend of Dallas and Jennifer Ferneau and Don Barnhart); Martha Wells (relative of Kay Gentle); Jillian Shandra (daughter of Melinda Harvey); Janie Putnam (friend of Gail Birdsong)

The Church: North Alabama Presbytery

Military & International: The nation's service men and women

Our Nation: Our President; Our Representatives

Big Cove Missions & Ministries: CARE Center; Vine Pastoral Counseling Center; Presbyterian Home for Children

ANNOUNCEMENTS

After worship today, please join us for **cookies and lemonade** in the shade of the Bobby Birdsong pavilion. Thanks to Big Cove youth and Melinda Harvey!

Remember that there will be **one worship service at 10:00** each Sunday in July.

Pool Party next Sunday, July 23 at the Timbers Edge clubhouse and pool, from 3:00 until—? Ribs and chicken fingers will be provided for a meal at 5:00.

Please bring a dessert or side dish to share. Come enjoy food & fellowship in the clubhouse, even if you don't wish to swim! So that folks can see what other folks are bringing, there's a signup sheet on a clipboard in the narthex.

Big Cove will host the North Alabama Presbyterian Men's Gathering on Monday, July 24, at 5:30. Christie Ashton, Pastor at Hope Presbyterian and Stated Clerk of NAP, will be the speaker. Ladies are welcome. *Please call Mary to make reservations on or before this Wednesday (July 19).* Contact Kathy Barnhart if you can help with serving, set up, or program!

WELCOME TO BIG COVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



July 16, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Candice L Klein

Music Director: Jervon Niska

Pianist: Linda Wheeler

Guitarist: John Isom

Percussionist: Jimmy Jones

Nursery Available

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Worship on the Lord's Day

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 16, 2017

*We are stunned by God's grace, and embraced in God's love,
We lift our thanks to the Holy One. Amen.*

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering

Call to Worship

Fresh corn dripping with butter, peach juice running down our chins

Praise is due to you, God of the harvest!

Boats on the water, families at picnic tables in the backyard

Praise is due to you, God of summer days!

Laughing kids splashing in the pool, dads teaching how to bait a hook

Praise is due to you, God of love and life!

*Hymns of Praise

"What a Friend"

C. C. Converse

"'Tis so Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Wm. J. Kirkpatrick

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We have been created for goodness by you, Holy Designer, but we continue to be filled with sourness. Your Word enables us to speak of joy to others, but we offer only opinions and judgment. The Spirit which breathes hope into us could be shared with everyone we meet, but we hold back, rather than giving peace to those around us. But you have said that everything created is good, even we silly people of yours, O Sovereign. With the Spirit of Wisdom as our sister, with your Word, Jesus Christ, as our brother, we can tell others of your mercy and of our love for them in every moment. Give us new courage, O God. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

By the grace of God, our reckless choices become creative grace for others; our foolishness is transformed by God's goodness; our lives become new by the Spirit of God. Beloved, in the name of Jesus the Christ, I declare that we are forgiven!

The good news is as true as it was on creation's first morning. The Creator is the redeeming Word and the Breath of Life for all people, even us. Thanks be to God for forgiveness and grace in our lives. Amen.

Greeting –Welcoming Christ Among Us

Proclaiming

Prayer of Illumination

New Testament

Romans 8:1-11

800

*Hymn of Reflection

"Revive Us Again"

J. J. Husband

Old Testament

Genesis 25:19-34

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Sermon

"You Have, for a Reason"

Rev. Candice L. Klein

Responding

Affirmation of Faith

"We acknowledge that God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of human minds. We ascribe to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But in Jesus Christ, God reveals love by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful people. The power of God's love in Christ transforms the world and discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love." This, we believe. Amen. – The Confession of 1967 9.15

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Call for the Offering

Offertory

"God of Wonders"
(John Isom and Jimmy Jones)

Offertory Prayer

*Hymn of Faith

"Victory in Jesus"

E. M. Bartlett

Celebration of the Lord's Supper (A Time for Silent Reflection)

"Sanctuary"
(Debbie Book)

Sending

*Song of Sending

"Love Lifted Me"

Howard E. Smith

Blessing and Sending

Benediction Response

"Love Lifted Me"
(chorus only)

**Please stand if you are able*