

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week:

Monday –6:00 Centering Prayer (Classroom 3)

Tuesday – 10:00 am –Steady for Life (Worship Center)

Tuesday – 11:00 am – Prayer Group (Classroom 3)

Wednesday – 6:00 pm –Current Conversations (Classroom 2)

Wednesday – 7:00 pm—Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday – 10:00 am –Steady for Life (Worship Center)

All Christian Exploration gatherings will meet today between worship services.

The Session will meet at 6:00 on Tuesday September 26. All Session meetings are “open” so if you’d like to attend any part, or the entire meeting, you’re welcome!

This afternoon from 1:00 to 3:00, youth of Big Cove are invited to join youth from Faith Presbyterian and Hope Presbyterian in Huntsville and Grace Presbyterian in Madison, for a couple of hours of fun at Southern Adventures. See the flyer in the information center for details. Young people there will be in both middle school and high school. Contact person is Holly Yeuell, the DCE at Faith.

You can help our neighbors affected by THREE Hurricanes. It appears that a great many more people will need help after Irma and Maria. If you can give several times, please do! Place a check in the offering plate today or leave one at the church with “Hurricane relief” in the memo line. After the damage and loss of life in Mexico, consider doubling or tripling the amount and changing the designation to “Hurricane/ Earthquake Relief.” The session will continue to review the best ways to share with those who need help.

Please send information for the October newsletter to the office early this week.

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Flower Dedication

The flowers in the worship area this week are offered to the Glory of God and in memory of Amanda Vernon by Ann Sublett.

WORSHIP LEADERS for today September 24

9 AM Service
Greeter: Collin Jones
Host: Michelle Jones
Worship Leader: Linda Wheeler
Power Point: Vicki Waldrop

11 AM Service
Usher: Dexter Gentle
Worship Leader: Neva Beasley
Reader: Joani Kerr

BIG COVE MINISTRIES this coming week September 24:

CARE Center Pick-up: Gary Bass

WAVE Team: the Lutzes

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members: Edith Cropp; Larry Clark; Betty Finley; Ray Waldrop; Pat Burke; Mary Burnette; Sandy Young; Merrie Duncan

Friends & Relatives: the family and friends of Amanda Vernon; Cozette O’Neal (friend of Big Cove, owner of Cozy Cove Llama Farm); all those affected by hurricanes and earthquake; Rev. Houston & Pat Hodges; Rev. Bill & Sarah Shouse; Becky Marshall (mother of Melinda Harvey); 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

Note: Our CCLI Music license allows *only the lyrics* (and not the musical score for the tunes) to be printed or projected during worship.

WELCOME TO BIG COVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



September 24, 2017
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Rev. Candice L Klein

“First Light” Worship – Sundays at 9 AM

Guitarist: Julian Palmer

Percussionist: Jimmy Jones

Traditional Worship – Sundays at 11 AM

Music Director and Pianist: Jervon Niska

Nursery Available

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9:00 am - First Light Worship on the Lord's Day

All generations praise you, God of Peace, for in every time, you do not stand idle, but share our struggles of faith, and declare God's hope for us all. Amen.

Gathering

*Musical Call to Worship Better Is One Day

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Passing the Peace of Christ

*Preparation for Message Heart of Worship

Proclaiming

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings	Jonah 3:10 - 4:11	655
	Matthew 20: 1-16	697

The Message "It's Not About You" Rev. Candice L. Klein

Responding

Praise Reports and Prayer Requests~~Announcements

Call for the Offering

Offertory Be the Center

Offertory Prayer

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

Sending

*Sending Song Cornerstone

Blessing and Sending

*Please stand if you are able

11:00 am - Traditional Worship on the Lord's Day

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering

*Call to Worship

We come to praise our God, whose steadfast love is always with us. **God does not stand by idly, but fills us with an abundance of grace to share.**

We are here to praise Jesus, who chooses to be gracious with all. **Jesus does not stand by idly, but brings justice to all who've been treated unfairly.**

We will praise the Spirit who increases our faith and is always at our side.

The Spirit is with us now and always, so we may live as faithful people of God.

We are here to praise the Triune Creator who is our all in all.

God calls us together today to praise and give thanks to our glorious God.

*Hymn of Praise "Gather Us In" 649

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

It is true that we grumble too much, Patient God. We are easily deceived by the promises of those around us, only to wonder how we ended up where we are. We see so many choices on our devices, and become convinced we deserve more. Though we know others have similar struggles, we have trouble standing by their side. Forgive us, Surprising God, as you continue to shower us with steadfast love. You are so slow to get angry, and instead, you rush to share your grace. Guide us to seek the way of justice, hope, and peace as shown to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Unlike us, God chooses not anger, but mercy; not punishment, but peace; not what we deserve, but more grace than we can ever imagine. In the name of the Son of God, we are forgiven.

The Lord has shown us a glimpse of what the kingdom of heaven is like – steadfast love, joy and laughter, the life we have yearned for. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

Response Gloria Patri 734

Passing the Peace of Christ

Proclaiming

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Jonah 3:10 - 4:11 655

*Hymn of Reflection "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" 344

Gospel Matthew 20: 1-16 697

Sermon "It's Not About You" Rev. Candice L. Klein

Responding

*Affirmation of Faith

What is the chief and highest end of all humans?

"Human's chief and highest end is to glorify God and enjoy God forever" This we believe. Amen. The Larger Catechism Q1

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Call for the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology 34

Offertory Prayer

Sending

*Song of Sending "If You Will Trust in God to Guide You" 429
(Stanzas 1-2)

Blessing and Sending

Benediction Response "If You Will Trust in God . . ." 429
(Stanza 3)

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able