



Knollwood

at Worship

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, November 12, 2017 • 10:55 AM

*To those who feel the need of light; to those who find doubts and fears in their hearts;
to those who need courage for their daily tasks; to those who feel lonely and friendless;
to those who wish to give service; to all who, in faith, will support and involve themselves
to the limit of their ability in the work of the Kingdom of God which this church undertakes;
to all who want rest, peace, and happiness — this church invites you to the fellowship of Jesus.*

KNOLLWOOD AT WORSHIP

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Please silence all electronic devices. Thank you!

THE CHIMES

Three chimes are sounded, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, centering us in the embrace of the Spirit. As we gather, we present ourselves “as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship.”

THE OPENING SENTENCE Diane Lipsett

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

†THE PRELUDE

“For the Fruit of All Creation” *arr. Frank Stoldt*

Lauren Winkelman, organ

THE CHORAL INTROIT

“Wake, Awake for Night Is Flying” *arr. Johann Sebastian Bach*

The Chancel Choir

Wake, awake, for night is flying,

The watchmen on the heights are crying;

Awake, Jerusalem, at last.

Midnight hears the welcome voices,

And at the thrilling cry rejoices:

“Come forth, you maidens! Night is past.

The Bridegroom comes! Awake;

Your lamps with gladness take!” Alleluia!

Prepare yourselves to meet the Lord,

Whose light has stirred the waiting guard.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP..... Diane Lipsett

One: God is in this place.

All: **God invites us to worship in spirit and in truth.**

One: God calls us to service in a hurting and divided world.

All: **God nudges us toward paths of justice and righteousness.**

One: With the Church of Jesus Christ, we lift our hearts in praise.

All: **With the Church of Jesus Christ, we sing our eternal joy.**

One: With all creation we celebrate the goodness of God.

All: **With all creation we say, “Amen and Amen!”**

~David Wilkinson

THE INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER..... Diane Lipsett

*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 50

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” *MIT FREUDEN ZART*

* Those who are able will stand.

† Ushers will seat those waiting.

Hearing aids and large print hymns are available from the ushers.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Amos 5:18-24Ted Philpott

One: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 4:12-18.....Phil Hendrix

One: This is the word of God.

Deacon of the Week

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE ANTHEM

"When the Servant Sings".....David Schwoebel

The Chancel Choir

How beautiful the quiet voice, how beautiful the humble soul. How beautiful the encourager whose song is sung through the hearts and voices of the people. How beautiful the glistening eyes, how beautiful their unspilled tears. How beautiful is the minister whose prayer whispers through the hearts and voices of the people. When the servant sings, all who listen breathe, "Amen." When the servant sings, hope is born in hearts again. When the servant sings, the lowly teach the proud, and worship finds its wings! How beautiful the patient soul, how beautiful its humble gift. How beautiful is the artisan whose craft's expressed through the hearts and voices of the people. How beautiful the seeking heart, how beautiful its grace and love. How beautiful is the worshipper whose praise rises through the hearts and voices of the people.

Words by
TERRY W. YORK (ASCAP)

Music by
DAVID SCHWOEBEL (ASCAP)

Congregation: (on cue)

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Je - sus calls us, by Thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,



may we hear Thy call. — Give our hearts to Thine o -



be - dience, Serve and love Thee best of all. —

* Tune: GALILEE by William H. Jude (1851-1922) Words by Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

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*THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 25:1-13.....Diane Lipsett

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

*THE HYMN OF DEVOTION, as printed on insert

“Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning” KEEP YOUR LAMPS

We invite the children, grades 1st through 3rd to remain in worship with their parents.

Children’s Worship is on the first and third, fifth Sundays of the month.

Worship Care for preschool and kindergarten is offered weekly.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLELucrecia Norman

THE SERMON Josh Godwin

CAUGHT UNPREPARED

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNIONLucrecia Norman

The Sursum Corda

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts!

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise!

The Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, known best to us in the person of Jesus, you beckon us to embrace and to embody the Kingdom of Heaven. You call us to be prepared, to be alert, to be diligent.

Instead, like the foolish bridesmaids in the parable, we are caught flatfooted, unprepared for your arrival. We are distracted and diverted from the ways of the Kingdom.

Forgive us, we pray. Open our eyes, quicken our minds, and enliven our spirits, lest we miss your bountiful banquet.

~David Wilkinson

The Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

All wafers are gluten-free.

The Bread

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”David Schwoebel

The Chancel Choir

[Text may be followed at No. 101 in the hymnal.]

The Cup

“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”arr. Martha Mier

Lauren Winkelman, piano

RESPONDING IN FAITH

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to come forward and the pastor will greet you. If you prefer not to come forward, you may speak to one of the ministers after the service. As an open membership church, we honor your previous baptism in any other Christian community. If you have not made a confession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive Christian baptism. Church members are invited to commit themselves anew to God and to God’s service in the world.

*THE HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP, as printed on insert
“Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers” MERLE’S TUNE

THE PASTORAL GREETING Josh Godwin

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION Phil Hendrix

THE SERVICE OF GIVING
 The Receiving of Tithes and Offerings
 The Offertory
“Reflection on O WALY WALY” Sandra Eithun
 Chancel Bells

*The Presentation and Doxology

DEPARTING TO SERVE

*THE BENEDICTION Josh Godwin

*THE CHORAL BENEDICTION
“Dresden Amen” Traditional
 The Chancel Choir

*THE POSTLUDE
“Now Thank We All Our God” arr. David Cherwien
 Lauren Winkelman, organ



TO OUR GUESTS

We extend to you a sincere welcome and the hope that you will find your worship experience meaningful. You are invited to the narthex for a brief time of fellowship following worship where you can meet church members and clergy, and learn more about this congregation. We would ask that you record your visit by filling out the friendship pad in the pew; email addresses are especially helpful. To learn more about Knollwood Baptist Church, find us online at www.knollwood.org. You can also receive our newsletter and email announcements by emailing colleen@knollwood.org, or just call the church office, 725-1343. Sunday School at Knollwood begins at 9:45 a.m.

KBC WELCOMING STATEMENT

Knollwood Baptist Church is an inviting, inclusive family of faith open to all persons, whatever their race, gender, socioeconomic status, special needs, or sexual orientation, who want to walk in the way of Jesus.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

On the Sundays nearest Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Veterans’ Day, our nation’s flag is placed in the narthex in gratitude for those whose national service helped ensure the freedoms we enjoy as Americans. Today’s Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession were written by Knollwood member David Wilkinson. The acolyte is Austin Fowler and the crucifer is Xander Tooze. Please silence all electronic devices. Thank you!
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BENEVOLENCE OFFERING

On Communion Sunday, a benevolence offering is taken to help with benevolent needs in the Knollwood family and wider community. Ushers will be in the narthex following worship to receive donations.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Dot Lougee, wife of V.B. Lougee, and mother of Carol (and John) Danforth by her family.

The white roses on the altar are given by Knollwood Baptist Church in memory of Fred Marshall and Jimmy Robertson. It is a symbol of the love and esteem in which this community of faith held each.

ABOUT OUR BANNERS

“The way” is a familiar biblical theme encompassing such truths as “the way of the Lord” (Isaiah 40:3), Jesus as “the way” (John 14:6), and “the way” as a description of Christian discipleship (Acts 9:2). The words on the banner point to the movements of faith: Longing for God that impels us forward in the spiritual journey; Learning the way of the Scriptures and the way of Jesus; Loving as our love for God and our neighbors deepens; and Living as we live out of Christian faith and witness in the world.

The colors of the banner emphasize green for “ordinary time,” the period in the church year between Pentecost and Advent. The artist who designed and painted the banners is our own Bambi Setzer.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Worship Care is provided for children, infant - kindergarten aged on the first floor of Bldg. B. Children’s Worship for 1st through 3rd graders meet on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays. During the Hymn of Devotion, children meet their leaders in the narthex to walk together to Children’s Worship (B244). After worship, parents pick up their children from B244. For the 2nd and 4th Sundays children are invited to enjoy the worship service with their families. Children’s worship bags, activity bulletins and sermon notes are available in the narthex.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

5:30-6:10 PM Dinner is served ● 6:00-6:15 PM Sharing celebrations & concerns ● 6:15-7:00 PM Program

NOV. 15: *“O give thanks* – We’ll begin with a Called Church in Conference and vote on Knollwood’s 2018 ministry plan. Then Richard Vinson will guide a study exploring biblical prayers of thanksgiving from both testaments. Pause before the holiday season begins its swirl to hear both old and new calls to contemplation and gratitude. **Note:** *the meal line will form in the fellowship hall on this night, as we leave the dining room for the children’s Friendsgiving celebration.*

NOV. 22: No Wednesday night gathering (Thanksgiving)

NOV. 29: The Coming One: Embracing Advent Together –Let’s discover and create practices to help observe Advent in our homes and hearts.

kids.connect Schedule

Nov. 15

Friendsgiving

Nov. 22

No Wednesday Night

Nov 29

Advent Wreaths

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 15, CALLED CHURCH IN CONFERENCE

6:00 p.m. Vote on Proposed Ministry Plan - You may read it online: www.knollwood.org/resources/kbc-documents, or pick up a paper copy in the narthex, or foyer B.

HONORING KNOLLWOOD VETERANS

Today, Nov. 12 Knollwood veterans will be honored with their photographs on display in the Narthex. American flags will be placed at the interment site of each veteran buried in the Memorial Garden.

WORLD HUNGER OFFERING

Throughout November please consider making a special offering beyond your normally budgeted gifts by noting “World Hunger Offering” on a donation check and dropping it into the offering plate or at the church office. Contributions will be split between our local Samaritan Ministries of Forsyth County and for international assistance through Baptist World Aid.

SUNDAY, NOV. 19, INGATHERING FOR CRISIS CONTROL

Grocery bags will be handed out after worship services today, and Nov. 12 and after dinner on Wednesday nights, Nov. 8 and 15. On the bags will be a list of non-perishable food items in particularly short supply at Crisis Control. Please return your filled bags to the chancel area of the church on Sunday, Nov. 19. There will be individuals at the glass narthex doors to assist you.

SUNDAY, NOV. 19, COMMUNITY INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

5:30 PM at Highland Presbyterian Church, 2380 Cloverdale Ave.

Join in an interfaith worship service thanking God for our many blessings. Please bring a can of corn for Crisis Control Ministry.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, THE AGAPE CELEBRATION

As this celebration hosts the entire congregation, we welcome your participation in decorating, food preparation, serving and clean-up. Please contact Debbie Pruitt, debbiepruitt@icloud.com or 336-782-3198, to join this vibrant, fun-filled team.

WELLNESS AND COMMUNITY CENTER WALKING TRACK HOURS

Mon.-Thu. 8 AM-8 PM ✦Wednesdays 8 AM to 5 PM / 7 - 8 PM ✦Friday 8 AM to 5 PM ✦Sunday 5 - 8 PM

HABITAT FAITH BUILD

Family and Youth Landscaping Day on Habitat Forsyth's Faith Build Homes will be Saturday, Nov. 18, from 8 AM – 3 PM. Families and youth are invited to help put the finishing touches on the two Faith Build Homes at 1759 and 1763 Richard Allen Lane. Ages 15 and older must sign up on Volunteer Hub <http://habitatforsyth.volunteerhub.com/SignIn.aspx>

Ages 14 and younger are welcome but **MUST** be accompanied and supervised by their parent/guardian who needs to sign up on Volunteer Hub. A lunch will be provided at 11:30 a.m. The two homes will be dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 3:30 p.m. Habitat dedications are meaningful, inspirational events, and the entire congregation is encouraged to attend.

CALENDAR

The full church calendar is online at www.knollwood.org. Click on the lower left calendar icon.

There is a recycle bin in the narthex. We hope, however, that you will take this information home for future reference, and then recycle.

Pastor
Minister of Music
Children's Ministry Associate
Minister of Youth and Recreation
Minister of Welcome and Engagement
Music Ministry Associate and Organist
Minister of Faith Formation and Education
Minister to Senior Adults and Weekday School
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Mr. Evan Sieges



KNOLLWOOD

BAPTIST CHURCH

Grace Unbounded