

**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
July 31, 2022**

PRELUDE/GATHERING		Jerrie Sue Massengale
ANNOUNCEMENTS		Buddy Butler
LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES: THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST IN OUR MIDST		
A TIME OF CENTERING	<i>In the Garden</i>	Jerrie Sue Massengale
CALL TO WORSHIP		Buddy Butler
PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON, 893		
SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST		
OPENING PRAYER		
*HYMN OF PRAISE, 103	<i>Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise</i>	
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, 883	A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		
THE LORD'S PRAYER		
	<b>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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen</b>	
*HYMN, 525	<i>We'll Understand It Better By and By</i>	
WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES		
*DOXOLOGY, 95	<b>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. Amen.</b>	
PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION		
FIRST READING	Hosea 11:1-11	Linda Day
PSALTER, 830	Psalms 107	Ben Sexton
SECOND READING	Colossians 3:1-11	Garry Day
*GOSPEL READING	Luke 12:13-21	
*GLORIA PATRI, 70		
ANTHEM	<i>There Is Power in the Blood</i>	Choir
SERMON		Buddy Butler
*HYMN OF INVITATION, 174	<i>His Name Is Wonderful</i>	
*SENDING FORTH		
*FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD, TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO OUR COMMUNITY		
*POSTLUDE	<i>In the Garden</i>	Jerrie Sue Massengale
*Congregation standing, as able		

**A Life Group Meeting** is being held on Sundays at 6 p.m. This is an exploration of the early Methodist class meetings. Everyone is invited.

All are invited to our United Women of Faith Meeting on Wednesday, August 3, at 5:00 p.m. (note time change). This will be a potluck supper, so please bring a favorite dish. Our guest speaker will be Debbie Hill and she will be presenting a program on "Safety Tips for Women." Debbie, who now lives in Polk County, retired from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office as Deputy Sheriff Crime Prevention Specialist.



**Choir Practice** will resume on Wednesday, August 3, at 6 p.m. Now is a great time to join our choir!


The **Finance Committee** will meet on Tuesday, August 9, at 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee members are: Sheppie Dunn, Shirley Starling, Dura Montgomery, Joy Turner, Garry Day, Linda Day, Gilbert Butler.

Dear Church Family, the Finance Committee would like to thank everyone for their generous contributions to our various designated categories like the community meal, scholarships and air conditioning fund. As of now, we are well funded for our meal and our scholarships and all the bills associated with our new air conditioner have been paid.

What we really need now are your generous contributions to our budget/general fund. We are underfunded in that category and we need to be able to pay our employees and our bills to carry out God's work. If you feel so led, any extra you can give to get us back to where we need to be would be greatly appreciated.  
-Finance Committee

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 Today is Fifth Sunday—the Sunday designated for support of Holston Home for Children. Holston Home is guided by principles that have been passed down throughout the history of this ministry. These beliefs strongly influence our services: • God loves children and their families so much that He sent His Son to die so that they could have abundant and eternal life. • Every child should be taught about Jesus. • All things are possible in Christ. • Every child should have a warm and secure place to live. • People can change. • Lasting change occurs through caring relationships. • It is the birthright of every child to have a family. • The best place for a child to be raised is within a caring family. • Children and youth should always have something to look forward to. • Kids and families deserve our very best. • Every child deserves the opportunity to reach their God-given potential." Please mark donations "Holston Home."

**Thanks to all who contributed to our new Legacy Hall air conditioning unit. All the bills associated with purchase and installation have now been paid!**  
*Thanks to Brett McDonald and Randy Loudermilk for getting the new unit operational!*



### Church Leadership

**Pastor** Gilbert "Buddy" Butler  
**Choir Director** Ben Sexton  
**Accompanist** Jerrie Sue Massengale  
**Secretary** Heidi Rule  
**Custodian** Christine Dowlin

### Sunday Servants

**Ushers** Shirley Starling Charlie Stemmann  
Joy Turner  
**Sound Techs** Randy Loudermilk, Ann Rymer  
**Webmaster** Marti Lane

### Our Prayer Concerns

**Our Congregation:** \*Neila Pace, Ruth Womack, Elaine Crowe, Janice Burger, Jerry Dunton, Louise Arp, Sheppie Dunn, Jack Dunn, Jr., Donna Sexton, Ed Massengale, Barb Bender, Hannah Geren

**Homebound/Assisted Living:** Emily Yaxley, ^Warrene Alexander

**Others in our prayers:** \*Ron Pace, \*The family of William Hollifield (father of Billie Ash), Susan Hayes (cousin of Jerrie Sue), Joseph Harvey, covid (son of Catherine Lange), Judy Jones, ALS (friend of Cathy Turner), Candice Dye (Covid), Samuel Jones -deployed in Eastern Europe (nephew of Jerrie Sue Massengale), Jeff and Danielle Jones (parents of Samuel), Tom Reed, Kerry and Cindy Hicks, first responders, armed forces members, the people of Ukraine

\*new to concerns +Hospital or Rehab ^Assisted Living/Nursing Home ~ Hospice

**If you would like to add someone to the Prayer Concerns, please call the church office.**

### Birthdays

1 Ryan Knight 2 Colin Rymer 4 William Luke 5 Loretta Loudermilk

### Anniversaries

6 John and Mary Mills 39<sup>th</sup>

**If your birthday or anniversary has not appeared in our listings please call the church office.**

If you would be willing to read scripture on Sunday, please put your name and contact information on the Liturgist Sign-Up Sheet in the Narthex. Participants will be called in advance with the readings.

Please donate nonperishable food items in the Narthex box - **canned meat, jelly, peanut butter, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, rice, soup, chili**, breakfast cereal, oatmeal, canned vegetables, etc. We have plenty of macaroni and cheese and tuna at this time.  
*Thanks to all who contribute - the families are always grateful.*



### Calendar

#### Today

10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship  
6:00 pm Life Group Meeting

#### Monday

4-6 pm Community Meal "To Go"

#### Wednesday

6:00 pm Choir Practice

#### Thursday

6:00 pm AA Meeting (Legacy Hall)

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