

**15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 18, 2022**

PRELUDE/GATHERING
ANNOUNCEMENTS
LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES: THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST IN OUR MIDST
A TIME OF CENTERING
People Need the Lord

Jerrie Sue Massengale
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CALL TO WORSHIP
PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON, 893
SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
OPENING PRAYER

Buddy Butler

*HYMN OF PRAISE, 159
Lift High the Cross

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, 888 Affirmation from I Corinthians...
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER, 895

*HYMN, 545
The Church's One Foundation

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES
*DOXOLOGY, 95 **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.**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION
FIRST READING
PSALTER, 741
SECOND READING
*GOSPEL READING
*GLORIA PATRI, 70
ANTHEM

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1
Psalm 4
I Timothy 2:1-7
Luke 16:1-13

Marti Lane
Ben Sexton
Donna Ratzlaff

Be Still and Know

Choir

SERMON
"A Different Way"

Buddy Butler

*HYMN OF INVITATION, 357
Just as I Am, Without One Plea

*SENDING FORTH
*FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD, TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO OUR COMMUNITY
*POSTLUDE
May the Road Rise to Meet You

Jerrie Sue Massengale

*Congregation standing, as able

Love and sympathy is expressed to the family of ZoeAnn Verbeten who passed away on Sunday, September 11. Please keep her family in your prayers.

The United Women in Faith are collecting food supplies during the month of September for Copper Basin Elementary School to send home with children for the weekend. Some suggested foods are: juice boxes, macaroni and cheese cups, ramen noodles, pop tarts, instant oatmeal, fruit cups. and individual servings of cereal. Please put donations in the labeled box in the Narthex.



The 49th Annual Meeting and Spiritual Enrichment Event for United Women in Faith is scheduled for Saturday September 24. Please share this information with others so that they might be informed and join us in Sisterhood as we celebrate our Mission work, accomplishments, honor our deceased, and learn about the Rebranding of United Women of Faith. The event will be held at no cost on Zoom from 10:00 p.m.- 12:30 p.m. You must register using the link below to participate:

<https://holston-reg.brtaapp.com/2022UWFAnnualMeeting7171Zoom>

Upcoming events:

The **Mission Committee** will meet on Tuesday, September 20, at 6:30 p.m. The **Worship Committee** will meet on Wednesday, September 21, at 5 p.m. The **Church Council** will meet on Tuesday, September 27, at 6:30 p.m.

Set-up and Decorating for Homecoming will be on Saturday, September 24 beginning at 2 p.m. Please contact Lonney McDonald at 706-455-8249 if you can participate.

Our 133rd Homecoming will be held on Sunday, September 25, with a potluck lunch following in Legacy Hall. Reverend James Mitchell will be our guest minister. **Sign-up Sheets** are in the Narthex today for helping with set-up, bringing food, receiving food and setting it on the buffet tables toward the end of the service, and helping with clean-up—or call the church office to sign up.



All news and calendar items for the October issue of *The Copperhill Courier* are due in the church office by **Thursday, September 22.**

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



The Community Meal is held on Mondays, 4—6 p.m. Meals are “to go” only. There is no charge for meals but donations are accepted and appreciated. 149 meals were served on Monday. If you would like to help, please contact Sheppie Dunn or Evelyn Stemmann. The Community Meal phone number is 423-241-2282.



Church Leadership

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

Sunday Servants

Ushers Elaine Morgan Bill Simonds
 Ron Singleton
Sound Techs Randy Loudermilk, Ann Rymer
Webmaster Marti Lane

Our Prayer Concerns

Our Congregation: *The family of ZoeAnn Verbeten, 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: Ben Key (lung cancer), Judy Jones, ALS (friend of Cathy Turner), 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

24 Kathy Thompson

Anniversaries

19 Charles and Evelyn Stemmann 52nd

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.

Calendar

Today	Tuesday	Thursday
10:00 am Sunday School	6:30 pm Mission Committee	6:00 pm AA Meeting (Legacy Hall)
11:00 am Worship	Wednesday	Saturday
6:00 pm Life Group Meeting	5:00 pm Worship Committee	2:00 pm Homecoming Set-Up
Monday	6:00 pm Choir Practice	Sunday
4-6 pm Community Meal "To Go"		11:00 am Homecoming Sunday

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Everyone Welcome!