

IN OUR PRAYERS

Robbie McClure (Marie Dunnam's brother) Elizabeth Christensen (Kathy Skillen's niece), Arthur Skillen (Kathy Skillen's brother) Bob Hartness (Rev. Audrey's dad), Clifton Mabry, Sam and Edna Dillard, Kathy Skillen, Joel Thrift, Al Belauskus, Sue Costa, (Paula Meades and Shari Waldo's friend), Arlene Touart (Sherry Moats' aunt), Erin Wood (Wendy Linhart's daughter, who has been deployed to serve our country) Ed Black (cousin of De French), and Bently Carver (son of a friend of James Lawson), Cathy Mianardi (cousin of Debbie Therriault), The Andrew Farmer Family (friend of Jim McMillan), George Harland (friend of Nita McMillan)

CHRISTMAS IN JULY THANK YOU!

Many thanks to everyone who made our Christmas in July so very special! Thank you to Steven Dover for the beautiful decorations, all of the readers telling us the story of the carols, the beautiful music from all our choir and musicians, Rev. Audrey for leading us and all the wonderful cooks in our church family! It was just a GREAT day of celebrating our Savior's Birth!

We will have our Angel Tree up in the back of the church for you to participate in this worthy mission project. We will have "angels" for you to pick off the tree to remind you to bring a monetary donation for much needed items for Lakeview Assisted Living. We will have the tree up through Sunday, August 27th. Merry Christmas!!!

SESSION

Session will meet for its regular stated meeting next Sunday, August 6th at 12:30 in Gossett Hall. Elders are reminded that reports are due by Wednesday. We will have a longer than normal meeting, so lunch will be provided.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We extend great Christian sympathy to the family of Ann Smith, who entered the Church triumphant Friday, July 28. Ann was a member of Seneca Presbyterian Church, a faithful board member and volunteer of Oconee United Ministries, and a beloved friend of WPC. Arrangements will be sent out when they are known.

Westminster Presbyterian Church

July 30, 2023

11:00 A.M

GATHERING

Prelude: “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”.....Beethoven

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Call to Worship: “I Love You Lord” *I love you Lord and I lift my voice to worship You, Oh my soul, rejoice. Take joy my King in what You hear. May it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.*

Prayer of Invocation

***Hymn 291:** “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”.....Manley

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we know Your Word, and value Your love, but we don't find it natural to trust Your purposes, especially when tests and trials interrupt our plans.

When we doubt Your goodness, forgive us. When we question Your loving presence, forgive us. Remind us of the trials and tests You faced, taking our sin to the cross so that we might be reconciled to You now and forever. Renew us in the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord we pray

(a moment of silent reflection)

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

THE WORD

Anthem: “In Remembrance of Me”.....Larson

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Scripture: Acts 28:23-31

Sermon: “The Holy Spirit Nailed It”.....Rev. Audrey H. Reese

Prayers of The People

***Apostles Creed** (*The Glory to God Hymnal p. 35*)

Gloria Patri (*The Glory to God Hymnal, p. 581*)

Offertory: “Let Us Break Bread Together”.....Johnson

***Doxology** (*The Glory to God Hymnal, No. 606*)

***Hymn 39:** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”Runyan

HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Communion

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

***Hymn 65:** “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”Hughes

Benediction

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jack Hunt by Mrs. Gloria Prater

UPCOMING SERMON: Join us for Worship next Sunday, August 6th.! Our sermon will be “True Statement” with scripture readings from Isaiah 55:1-5 and Romans 9:1-5. Bring a friend or friends to join us!