

# Talbott Cumberland Presbyterian Church

**“Together Calling People to Christ”**

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**The Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

**September 25, 2016**

**Morning Worship 11:00AM**



*"...there is a great chasm separating us.*

*No one can cross over*

*to you from here,*

*and no one can*

*cross over*

*to us from there."*

*Luke 16:26*

## **GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE**

**Interlude**

Carolyn McClane, pianist

**Welcome and Announcements**

Elder Jeanie Saunders, Worship Leader

## Ringling of the Chimes

*The sounding of the chimes, representing God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is an invitation to prepare for worship through this time of silent reflection and meditation.*

## Prelude

Voluntary on “St. Denio”  
*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

arr. Gordon Young

## Bringing of the Light

Conner Rollins, acolyte  
Todd Greene, crucifer

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

### \*Call to Worship

One: God of mercy, you place before us the needs of the world.

**All: But we have so much going on in our own lives we have little energy left to respond.**

One: God of mercy, you place before us the needs of the world.

**All: What can we do in the face of such need? We are reluctant to even try.**

One: God of mercy, you place before us the needs of the world.

**All: Are there not others who have more responsibility to do something than we?**

One: God of mercy, you satisfy our needs and shower us with blessings, forgive us when we turn away from others. Please, O Christ, open us to possibilities for relationship and service to those in need of your care.

**All: Forgive us Lord, and help us start anew as ambassadors of your mercy and love.**

### \*Hymn of Praise No. 62

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

St. Denio

## \*Affirmation of Faith

One: Christians, what do we believe as Cumberland Presbyterians?

**All: We believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended to the grave. The third day He arose from the dead. He ascended into heaven, where He shall sit at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from where He shall judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the everlasting life. Amen.**

## \*Gloria Patri

Greator ex



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-  
gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men.

## Prayers of the People

### The Lord's Prayer

(In Unison)

Our Father which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Musical Response No. 821

(Choir & Congregation)

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy on us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

## Assurance of Pardon

I John 1:9

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Brothers and sisters, in Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven.

## OUR WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

### Offertory

Meditation on “Crusader’s Hymn”

arr. N. Johnson

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

### \*The Doxology

Old Hundredth



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise \*him, all crea - tures  
here be - low; praise \*him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; praise  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

### \*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

Marianne Sharp

## PRESENTATION OF GOD'S WORD

### **Anthem**

“No Greater Gift”

Ruth Elaine Schram

*Text adapted from 1 Corinthians 13*

Though I speak the language of angels, though I know all there is to know,  
if I have no love, I am nothing at all. There is no gift greater than love.

And though I understand every mystery, and my faith could remove any mountain,  
if I have no love, I am nothing at all. There is no gift greater than love.

Love is kind and gentle, rejoicing in the truth.  
Love is not proud. Love is not rude.  
Love never fails, though all other gifts will cease.  
Love hopes and endures, love bears and believes.

Though I give all I have to the hungry, though I give my very life,  
if I have no love, I am nothing at all. There is no gift greater than love.

There is hope, there is faith; they will always remain.  
But, there is no gift greater than love.

### **Children's Message**

Marianne Sharp

### **\*Hymn of the Word No. 115**

Crusader's Hymn

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

### **The Reading Of The Word**

#### **Old Testament Lesson**

Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15

*“Restoration Promised”*

This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar.

<sup>2</sup>The army of the king of Babylon was then besieging Jerusalem, and Jeremiah the prophet was confined in the courtyard of the guard in the royal

palace of Judah. <sup>3</sup> Now Zedekiah king of Judah had imprisoned him there, saying, “Why do you prophesy as you do?”

Jeremiah said, “The word of the LORD came to me: <sup>7</sup> Hanamel son of Shallum your uncle is going to come to you and say, ‘Buy my field at Anathoth, because as nearest relative it is your right and duty to buy it.’

<sup>8</sup> “Then, just as the LORD had said, my cousin Hanamel came to me in the courtyard of the guard and said, ‘Buy my field at Anathoth in the territory of Benjamin. Since it is your right to redeem it and possess it, buy it for yourself.’

“I knew that this was the word of the LORD; <sup>9</sup> so I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel and weighed out for him seventeen shekels of silver. <sup>10</sup> I signed and sealed the deed, had it witnessed, and weighed out the silver on the scales. <sup>11</sup> I took the deed of purchase—the sealed copy containing the terms and conditions, as well as the unsealed copy—<sup>12</sup> and I gave this deed to Baruch son of Neriah, the son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel and of the witnesses who had signed the deed and of all the Jews sitting in the courtyard of the guard.

<sup>13</sup> “In their presence I gave Baruch these instructions: <sup>14</sup> ‘This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Take these documents, both the sealed and unsealed copies of the deed of purchase, and put them in a clay jar so they will last a long time. <sup>15</sup> For this is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Houses, fields and vineyards will again be bought in this land.’

## **New Testament Lesson**

1 Timothy 6:6-19

*“Keep Godliness*

<sup>6</sup> But godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup> For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. <sup>8</sup> But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. <sup>9</sup> Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all

kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

<sup>11</sup> But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup> to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> which God will bring about in his own time—God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup> who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen.

<sup>17</sup> Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. <sup>19</sup> In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

## **\*Gospel**

Luke 16:19-31

### *“The Rich Man and Lazarus”*

<sup>19</sup> “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. <sup>20</sup> At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores <sup>21</sup> and longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

<sup>22</sup> “The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup> So he called to him, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.’”

<sup>25</sup> “But Abraham replied, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.’

<sup>27</sup> “He answered, ‘Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.’

<sup>29</sup> “Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.’

<sup>30</sup> “‘No, father Abraham,’ he said, ‘but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’

<sup>31</sup> “He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **Prayer of the Word**

### **Homily**

Richard Snowden

“Building A Chasm”

*Scripture: Luke 16:19-31*

*Text: "...a great chasm has been fixed..." (vs. 26)*

**Created**

**Heartless**

**Apathy**

**Self Indulgence**

**Materialistic**



**GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD**

**\*Hymn No. 482**

Wakefield

“My Hope Is In The Lord”

**\*Benediction**

**\*Taking The Light Into The World**

**\*Postlude**

“March in G”

G. F. Handel

\*Congregation will please stand if able

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**In order to meet the projected General Fund Budget for 2016, (\$103,645.00)  
we need a weekly offering of \$1,993.17.**

**September 18, 2016**

Sunday School Attendance-----18  
Morning Worship Attendance-55

Sunday School Offering-----\$7.00  
Morning Worship Offering----\$1054.00  
Building Fund Offering-----\$30.00  
**Total Offering-----\$1091.00**

## Birthdays

## Anniversaries

9/27 Amanda Moore  
 9/30 Conner Rollins

9/28 Mark & Kristie Woolard  
 10/03 John & Lynn Spain

## Elders

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Jim Rolen	Lonnie Knight	Richard Snowden
Jeanie Saunders	Terry Sanders	Allen Williamson

## Deacons

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2020
Larry Knoll	Ron Saunders	Peggy Long

## SEPTEMBER

**Elder of the Month**.....Jim Rolen  
**Deacon of the Month**.....Ron Saunders  
**Greeters of the Month**.....Amanda Moore & Susan Rollins

## CHURCH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### THIS WEEK

Today Sept. 26 10:00am Sunday School (All ages)  
 11:00am Morning Worship, The Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
 Building Fund Sunday  
 6:00pm Family Night

Wed. Sept. 28 6:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper  
 6:45pm Bible Study  
 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

Sat. Oct. 1 9:00am Presbytery of East Tennessee meeting at Pleasant Vale  
 Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Greene County.  
 Elder Lonnie Knight is the delegate. Elder Richard  
 Snowden is the alternate.

9:00am Church Yard Sale

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

- Sunday Oct. 2    10:00am   Sunday School (All ages)  
                        11:00am   Morning Worship, The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost  
  World Communion Sunday, Food Pantry Sunday  
                        7:00pm   Bible Study
- Wed. Oct. 5       6:00 pm   Wednesday Night Supper  
                        6:45pm   Bible Study  
                        7:15pm   Choir Rehearsal
- Sat. Oct. 8        8:00am   Church Work Day

Saturday, October 1, 2016



Saturday, October 8, 2016  
8:00AM

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Rolen.

