# THE OLIN T. BINKLEY MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

## AUGUST 18, 2019 THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## **BECOMING AWARE**

"Decluttering is clearing away the less important things on behalf of the more important things. Decluttering gets down to what matters, spiritually as well as physically...When we fail to make decisions about what really matters to us, choosing fog over focus, waffling over decision, aimlessness over intention, we become people who do not know how to keep sabbath. Instead, we keep clutter. Not to decide on a life of focus is to decide on a life of fog, choosing confusion over clarity."

-Donna Schaper, "Decluttering as Sabbath," in Sabbath Keeping

## **GATHERING**

RINGING THE SANCTUS BELL

**PRELUDE** 

Variations on How Firm a Foundation Kyle Ballantine, organ Robert Lau

THE FIRST LESSON Hebrews 11:29-12:2

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Dale Osborne

One: We remember, O God...

Many: The countless saints of history

who have blazed a trail of courage through time,

One: We remember, O God...

Many: The tender touch of loved ones, the example of courageous women and men, the healing words of comforters, the remarkable acts of fearless ones.

One We remember, O God...

Many: The gentle strength of grandparents, the loyalty of friends, the kindness of strangers, the joy of children, the sacrifice of parents.

One We remember, O God...

Many: The supreme love of Jesus,
the blessing of his Spirit,
the reminder of his words,
the sharing of his suffering,
the glory of his resurrection:
shown forth in the lives of his disciples,
young and old,
dead and living,
articulate and silent,
strange and familiar,
brilliant and ordinary.

One: We remember in every time and place the saints of God who have shown us the love of Jesus.

All: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses... let us worship God with joy!

\* HYMN

#### Rejoice in God's Saints

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\* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

Please greet one another with this ancient sign of welcome and extension of hospitality and peace.

\* SONG OF PRAISE

#### Spirit



\* INVOCATION Blair Ramsey

#### WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH, SERVICE, & FELLOWSHIP

Please pass the Friendship Registers found on each row. Complete the requested information and then pass it back down the row. Thank you for worshipping with us at Binkley!

## LISTENING & PRAYING

THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 12:13-21

One: This the Gospel of Christ.

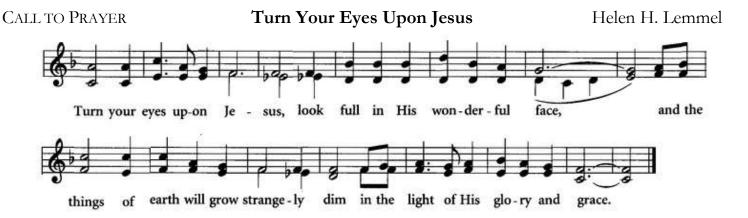
Many: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND LESSON Hebrews 12:12-13

Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what's lame may not be put out of spirit, but rather be healed.

HEARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Stephanie Ford



Lord, give us the eyes of Jesus

to see our neighbours and the strangers we meet.

Teach us what it means to love the stranger as we love ourselves.

Forgive us for our selfishness,

for our silence,

for not caring enough for the strangers who come to our communities.

Teach us to love and care for the stranger the way you do.

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE

THE MORNING PRAYER

## HEARING & RESPONDING

THE FINAL LESSON Hebrews 13:1-3

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.

"Saints, Stuff, and Steadfastness: A White Elephant Sermon" Marcus McFaul

#### YARD SALE REVIEW

\* DOXOLOGY

Please sign with the leader or simply sing.

TUNE: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\* AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

O For a World

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If you wish to become a member of Binkley Baptist Church today, you are invited to come forward during the hymn to be welcomed and received.

\* RECEPTION & INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

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\* BLESSING & BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

Chorale on How Firm a Foundation

Robert Lau

Upon leaving the sanctuary, please be mindful of those choosing to use the postlude as their final act of worship.



#### WELCOME TO BINKLEY!

Binkley Baptist Church is a community of faith on a journey that calls for questioning, humility and conviction. As followers of Jesus, we embrace spiritual growth, mutual care, and service, assured that as we serve our neighbors, we joyfully serve God. Intentionally inclusive, we welcome people of all races, sexual orientations, and cultures, respecting diverse religious experiences within the church and beyond. We invite others to join us in our commitment to peace, justice, and care for creation. In a spirit of Christian love, we welcome you.



The mission of Binkley Baptist Church is building compassionate and joyful community, freely exploring spiritual paths, and pursuing justice and peace in the way of Jesus.

Guests, welcome! We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us today. Please leave your name and contact information in the Friendship Register so we can get to know you better.

The floral arrangement on the communion table is given by Curt McLaughlin and Sue Smith in memory of Barbara Nettles-Carlson, who would have turned 85 yesterday, 8/17.

Hearing assistance devices and children's worship bags are available in the Narthex.

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**Thank you for serving in the Nursery** Heather McCuiston, Kate Crutcher, and Grace Wheeler.

\* The Congregation standing as each is able.

#### THIS WEEK AT BINKLEY

Sunday	8/18	9:45 am	Simply Summer Worship	Lounge
		11:00 am	Worship: Marcus McFaul preaching	Sanctuary
Monday	8/19		Newsletter Deadline	
		7:00 pm	Church Council	Lounge
Tuesday	8/20	9:30 am	Staff Meeting	Library
		1:00 pm	Sermon Shaping	Library
Wednesday	8/21	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Thursday	8/22	1:15 pm	Carolina Meadows Worship	Offsite
Saturday	8/24	2:00 pm	Carl Henley Memorial Service	Sanctuary
Sunday	8/25	9:45 am	Simply Summer Worship	Lounge
		9:50 am	Summer Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
		11:00 am	Worship: Marcus McFaul preaching	Sanctuary

SUMMER CHOIR NEXT WEEK: Summer Choir is a short-term, high-impact commitment that allows you to assist in leading worship through the summer months. We'll meet at 9:50 am in the Choir Room on August 25 to warm up and practice the anthem for the day. All ages and ability levels are welcome! This is the final opportunity to participate in summer choir for 2019. Contact Kyle for more information.

NEW WEBSITE FOR ORANGE COUNTY BAIL/BOND JUSTICE PROJECT: Thanks to a generous donation from Tim and Ruth Ann Ross, we now have a website for our Orange County Bail/Bond Justice Project! You can visit it at. This website will be the central location for learning about the Bail/Bond Project, educating the community about bail/bond issues, and making donations.

#### AN INVITATION TO DIALOGUE

Binkley Leadership has scheduled a listening session on Sunday, August 25, immediately following our 11 o'clock worship. This gathering will give us, as a congregation, an opportunity to discuss a proposed statement regarding human suffering in our country. The statement, which can be read below, speaks up for families who are being torn apart, people being treated inhumanely, and people being marginalized because of, Race, Ethnicity, Gender, Sexual

orientation/identity, and/or Citizenship status. This statement, proposed for publication in *The Raleigh News and Observer*, urges individuals and other churches to work for these humane concerns. Please stay after worship to express your feelings, listen and learn. Light refreshments will be provided. If you are unable to attend but wish to express your support or concerns, please contact your deacon or a member of Church Council to register your opinion.

We have a humanitarian crisis in America! As long as we stay silent we are complicit in it. There has always been human suffering, but we should always work to relieve it. We as a country are actively inflicting suffering upon others. This situation is intolerable. We must speak up against the separation of families, people being treated inhumanely, and people being marginalized because of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation/identity, or citizenship status. We abhor this injustice that is taking place here in our country where we pledge liberty and justice for all. Unjust, inhumane treatment of immigrants, refugees and our own citizens must stop in order to protect them and to preserve our own humanity. We encourage you to join with us at Binkley Baptist Church (binkleychurch.org) or your own church, synagogue, mosque, or community group to work for the humane concerns expressed above.

### **BINKLEY PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS**

#### **CHURCH FAMILY**

Andrew Pike	Marcella Wagoner	Don Reinfurt	Chet Insko
Rachel Avery	Weldon Thornton	Alex Swanson	Robin Brice
Mable Strowd	Pam Swanson-Boyd	Bill McNairy	Al Wheless
Barbara Upshaw	Ken Williams	Gladess Crisp	Anne Barnes
Jan Clark	Janice Pope		

Our condolences to Blair Ramsey upon the death of her great-aunt, Flossie.

#### HEALTH CENTER RESIDENTS AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

Ann Overton Carolyn Kozelka Nancy Joyner Judy Eastman Bill Bodkin

#### EXTENDED FAMILY

Aaron and Vianey Perkinson, Moody AFB, Valdosta, GA (Nape Baker)	The Comprehensive Rural Health Project, Jamkhed (Connie Gates)	The Binkley Church Council The Binkley Diaconate
Christine Mortensen (Jennifer Mahoney)	Tom Long (Karen Long)	Dirk Leiser (Mary Lou Smith)
Nanh & Veo Siu (Ehn Rocham & Phyut Siu)	David Houser (Paul Lindsay)	Johnny O'Neal (Janet O'Neal)
Tan & Scott Coats (Burma missionaries)	Lisa London (Karen Long)	Nancy Dixon (Pam Swanson Boyd)
Maria de la Mata Bruno (Maribel Bruno)	Fred Clifford (Dick Clifford)	Ethan Zolit (Martha Hutt)
Melissa Moffitt Fulmer (Matthew Ripley-Moffitt)	Dan McInnis (Gary Stutts)	Leigh Ann Zirkle (Franklin Zirkle)
Pinheiro Baptist Church, Maceio, Brazil	Scott Carpenter (Libba Wells)	Mac McNairy (Bill McNairy)
Tara Strickland Hogan(The Walker Family)	Wendy Gulley (Teeta West)	Doris Tillman (Lori Barbier)
Valerie & Percell Harper (April Harper)	Infant Joseph Jones III (Julie Lentz)	Stacey Richardson (Karin Mills)
Michele Nelson (Jim Wise & Linda Hill-Wise)	Charles Brewer (Emily Brewer)	Phil Amana (Dale & Suzy Osborne)

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