

# THE OLIN T. BINKLEY MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER 2, 2018  
COMMUNION SUNDAY  
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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## BECOMING AWARE

*So my final comment is this: the church is the only community in the world that has its central symbolic act, an act that is called, "Thanks." The Eucharist. You know Eucharist is Greek for "Thanks." And participation in the Eucharist is an act of gratitude for the abundance that the creator God gives to the world.*

*And I think the neighborly economy can only be funded by gratitude. It is all a gift! I did not make any of it, produce any of it, it is a gift! But the extraction economy wants to think, "It's mine! I made it, I own it, I can do what I want, I don't have to be grateful to anybody."*

*Which leads me to think that participation in the Eucharist is the most subversive thing we can do. All are welcome, no restrictions. All are welcome because there is more than enough.*

*~Walter Brueggemann*

*I have seen the sun break through to illuminate a small field for a while, and gone my way and forgotten it. But that was the pearl of great price, the one field that had the treasure in it.*

*~R.S. Thomas, from "The Bright Field"*

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## RINGING OF THE SANCTUS BELL

*Some traditions ring “Sanctus Bells” to call worshippers’ attention to “the holy.” (Sanctus means “holy” or “sacred.”) Today, the Sanctus Bell rings to signify the holy around, among, and within us.*

## WELCOME & GATHERING WORDS

*Marcus McFaul*

One: This is the day God has made

**Many: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

One: May we pray...

## PRELUDE

“Jupiter” Theme

G. Holst, arr. Thiman

## INTROIT

For the Life That You Have Given

Carl P. Daw

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own: here we offer, Lord our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Myra Knight*

One: Worship is a gift from God.

**Many: In worship, we are invited to come into the very presence of God, to be met by God’s grace and encircled by God’s love.**

One: Worship is a promise.

**Many: In worship, we see the vision of the day yet to come, the hope of what is yet to be. In this present hour we wait for an in-breaking of God’s Spirit.**

One: Worship is demand.

**Many: In worship, God demands from us the best of our heads and our hearts. God demands of us our very lives.**

One: With gratitude and joy, promise and hope, commitment and dedication, let us worship the Lord our God.

**All: Who draws us together by the Spirit!**

*by Peggy Haymes*

## \* HYMN

**Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether**

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*Please be seated following the hymn.*

# LISTENING & FEASTING

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

James 1:17-27

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 19:16-21

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION

“Offering”

*Marcus McFaul*

\* INVITATION TO THE TABLE-A JOYFUL EUCHARIST

*“Bread is the welcoming sight and aroma on a dining table that says, ‘sit down and stay a while.’ It’s the first course, though never counted as such, designed to be broken, buttered, dipped, and shared to temporarily satiate even the heartiest of appetites before the meal arrives. It is the communal element, part earthly and part sacred.” ~Tracy C. Yancey*

One: The peace of Christ be with you!

Many: **And also with you!**

One: With joy and thanksgiving, greet one another with the peace of Christ.

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

*Today, we celebrate communion by intinction, or dipping the bread into the cup. Starting with the front pews in each section, you are invited to exit the pew row to the right aisle, receive the bread and dip it into the cup, then return by the left aisle. If mobility is a concern, please remain seated and signal that you’d like the symbols to be brought to you. All bread is gluten free.*

# PRAYING & GIVING

OUR KNOWN JOYS AND CONCERNS

*Stephanie Ford*

RESPONSE

Jacques Berthier, Taizé



In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful; in the Lord I will re -  
joice! Look to God; do not be a - fraid. Lift up your  
voic - es; the Lord is near. Lift up your voic - es; the Lord is near.

HOLDING SILENCE TOGETHER

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

O God,

It is sometimes easy to speak of giving our lives to you. It is harder to trust you with the particulars of those lives, the concrete stuff of our days. But may we do so, for you are present in mundane matters as well as holy matters.

May our trust lead to obedience, and our obedience to giving. And may our gifts become hope and light for this world. We ask your blessing on these gifts as we pray—and give—and express our commitment to this congregation in saying together the Binkley Covenant:

**Professing our faith in Jesus Christ, we covenant with God and one another to live together as members of this church in obedience to God's will as it has been and shall be made known to us. As part of the body of Christ throughout the world, we promise to express our faithfulness to Christ in love for one another and for the whole of God's creation. The Spirit of God assisting us, we further promise to attend the services of this congregation, observe its sacraments, support its mission to all people, practice faithful stewardship of our possessions and be conscientious caretakers of the Earth, endeavoring always to be a fruitful body of Christians.**

OFFERTORY

Let Us Break Bread Together

arr. Mike Davis

\* DOXOLOGY

*Please sign with the leader or simply sing.*

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! Alleluia!**

\* AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

**Take My Gifts and Let Me Love You**

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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

\* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Amen

\* VOLUNTARY

Festival Toccata

P. Fletcher

*Upon leaving the Sanctuary, please be mindful of those choosing to use the Voluntary 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.

***We are grateful for the musical gifts offered today by*** Bo Lloyd, organist; Mike Davis, piano; Anne Huffman, conductor; and The Chancel Choir.

***Today's bulletin cover art*** is an untitled photo by Micah Marty published in *Places Along the Way: Meditations on the Journey of Faith*.

***The flowers on the communion table*** are given by Barbara Proctor in honor of her husband Sam Wilburn's 89<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 5. Sam is one of Binkley's Charter Members, and we are happy to celebrate alongside him during this important time in Binkley's history.

***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, Hser Ku, and Grace Wheeler.

***\*The Congregation standing*** as each is able.

## THE INVITATION TO CHRIST'S TABLE

Holy Communion is a sacred and central part of Christian worship. It is a holy act, in which we, individually and corporately, commune with the Loving God. We welcome all who desire a deepened relationship with Christ to the Communion table. From time to time, questions arise concerning the participation of young children in this congregation's service of Holy Communion. The Diaconate recognizes that two historic Baptist principles inform this decision. Baptists are set apart from many other Christian traditions by our practice of Believer's Baptism, which signifies full membership in the church. Traditionally, many Baptist churches encourage persons to receive the Communion bread and cup for the first time after they have been baptized. At the same time, our historic insistence on Soul Liberty reminds us that Baptists value and respect each believer's unique and personal relationship with God. The Diaconate thus recommends that all members of Binkley continue to deepen their understanding of the meaning of Holy Communion, and that families enter into a time of discernment concerning when their children are able to appreciate the sacred nature of Communion. We affirm the responsibility of all believers to determine whether and when they and their children will partake of the Communion elements as we all participate in the service of Communion.

## THE DISCRETIONARY FUND

Today you are invited to make a special offering to the Pastor Discretionary Fund. This fund allows Binkley to support our church and community members who are in financial crisis. Earmark any checks "Discretionary Fund" in the item section. Envelopes are available in the chair racks.

## THIS WEEK AT BINKLEY

Sunday	9/2	9:30 am	Thai Service Project	Lounge
		11:00 am	Worship: <i>Marcus McFaul preaching</i>	Sanctuary
Monday	9/3		Church offices closed for Labor Day Holiday	
Tuesday	9/4	9:30 am	Staff Meeting	Library
		1:00 pm	Sermon Shaping	Library
		7:00 pm	Diaconate Meeting	Offsite
Wednesday	9/5	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
		7:30 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
Saturday	9/8	10:00 am	Habitat Build Groundbreaking Ceremony	
		6:00 pm	Men of Binkley Cookout and Conversation	Offsite
Sunday	9/9		<b>LAUNCH SUNDAY</b>	
		9:30 am	Launch Sunday Activities	Sanctuary
		11:00 am	Worship: <i>Marcus McFaul preaching</i>	Sanctuary

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY: September 8, 10 am:** This year, Habitat for Humanity of Orange County, NC, along with other affiliates, is launching a special project to build the Beloved Community envisioned by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 2018 marks the 50th anniversary of his death and the passage of the Fair Housing Act. Building on Dr. King's vision and history, the Beloved Community will allow access, equality, and opportunity for all. To honor his legacy, our new senior housing development, Crescent Magnolia, will be declared the Beloved Community. Habitat is inviting everyone throughout Orange County to participate and see the Beloved Community built in action.

**Binkley's Own Bob Seymour Honored:** When searching for someone in Orange County who was vital to pursuing the Beloved Community throughout their career, Reverend Bob Seymour came to mind. Reverend Seymour was the pillar who helped start the Orange County Habitat for Humanity affiliate back in 1984 through Binkley Baptist Church where he was the senior pastor for 30 years. He spent his life pursuing justice and fairness for families throughout Orange County, and was able to meet Dr. King during his time as a civil rights activist. At the age of 93, he continues to pursue fairness, equality, and respect for all people and is a strong leading voice in our community. We are honored to name the first building in our new senior housing development after Reverend Bob Seymour.

**Crescent Magnolia is located off of College Park Road between The Little School preschool and Ashton Woods' Waterstone development.** Crescent Magnolia is a 24-unit townhome community designed for seniors (ages 55+) to live at home safely, independently, and comfortably regardless of age in Hillsborough, NC. For information on the Crescent Magnolia Community, please visit [orangehabitat.org/seniorhousing](http://orangehabitat.org/seniorhousing).

**MEN OF BINKLEY COOKOUT & CONVERSATION Saturday, September 8, 6 - 9:30 pm, Home of Larry McManus:** The Blowing Rock Retreat has been postponed, but we are inviting all Men of Binkley to gather for a very informal get-together and hamburger/hot dog cookout. Afterwards, we will check in with one another, and engage in a discussion around envisioning self, family and Binkley possibilities for a future. All are invited: the more the merrier. It is BYOB (soft drinks provided) - and bring a few shekels to help cover cost. 103 Bella Rose Dr, Chapel Hill, NC 27517. Hope to see you!

**LAUNCH SUNDAY:** On Sunday, September 9, we launch into a new year of Sunday School with a gathering for all ages in the Sanctuary (9:30 am). After a time of song and prayer, and joyful introductions ~ youth and children will depart to their classrooms and adults will remain to learn about the wonderful class opportunities for Fall 2018. Check your September Newsletter for more info on Sunday School classes.

**REFERENCE TEAM LUNCH AND LEARN September 16, Post-worship:** The Reference Team has taken us through a congregation-wide process of examining positive and negative interactions with each other. From this exercise, they developed a Behavioral Covenant to be introduced at a Lunch and Learn Gathering on Sunday, September 16. In this session, they will share and demonstrate how we can use the covenant in both individual interactions and large group discussions or in problem-solving.

**BINKLEY GOLF OPEN:** The much anticipated Occasional Binkley Fall Open will be played Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at the Southwick Golf Course near Swepsonville. This will be the 26<sup>th</sup> Binkley Open and will kick-off event of the Celebration of Binkley Baptist Church's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We will gather at 9:30 for team selection. The first tee time is 10:00 AM. **The Open fee is \$30 (make checks out to Joe Clontz and pay at the Tournament) and includes green fees, cart and a hot dog and drink at the turn. Information, registration and directions are available from Joe Clontz (919-969-4517); [jclontz42@gmail.com](mailto:jclontz42@gmail.com). Registration deadline is Sunday, September 16. Join us for fun!**

**KERYGMA STUDY: Led by Marcus Begins September 25:** Kerygma Bible Study led by Senior Minister Dr. Marcus McFaul, is a Tuesday night opportunity starting on September 25 from 7-8:30 pm in the Lounge. This 8-week study is on The Gospel of Mark. Workbook cost is \$21 to be paid at the first class. Please sign up for the class by September 20 by emailing Marcus or calling the office 919-942-4964.

**COMMUNITY KITCHEN CHEF NEEDED:** On the 4th Wednesday of every month Binkley supports the local community by preparing a lunch and dinner meal for approximately 50-75 hungry citizens at the Inter Faith Council (IFC) community kitchen in downtown Chapel Hill. We are in need of a new 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Dinner coordinator. The coordinator makes sure the team is available to serve through email correspondence and should be available by the beginning of the 4:30 pm shift but is not required to stay through the meal serving time. The coordinator should be hospitable, organized and eager to feed children of God who are hungry. Is that person you? If so, please contact Dale Osborne for more information and a shout of HOORAY!

**Service of Lament Remembered:** Last Sunday evening's Service of Lament is remembered in the prayer flags that hang from the baptistery this Sunday. The service was led by six church members as an opportunity to name and acknowledge our wounds and hurts together. Following prayers, reading of psalms and music, cloths were ripped by participants in a ritual expressing our shared frustrations, grief, concern or anger. The cloth was then blessed and we shared communion. One participant chose to create prayer flags from the ripped cloth. Each flag holds a prayer for a loved one who is sick, for divisions in our church, for loved ones who are missed, for our church staff including Daniel Cherrix, for children separated from families, for tolerance for our differences, for our country, for our beautiful Earth, and for our future as a church.

**Messages to Daniel:** Those of you wishing to send a message of support to Daniel are welcome to write a note and send it to the church office. You may also email him at [danielcherrix@gmail.com](mailto:danielcherrix@gmail.com).

*Dale is away this Sunday officiating the wedding of Zach Stutts (son of Ellen and Gary Stutts) to Kaylee Hooley in Seattle, WA. We rejoice with all the members of the Stutts family on this joyous occasion.*

## BINKLEY PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

### CHURCH FAMILY

April Harper	Tim Bradshaw	Gladess Crisp
Rachel Avery	Carl Henley	Lee Scott
Weldon Thornton	Al Wheless	Edith Wiggins
Barbara Proctor	Kim Siu	

### HEALTH CENTER RESIDENTS AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

Ann Overton	Carolyn Kozelka	Ginny Lansing
Bill Moffitt	Bill Bodkin	Nancy Joyner

### EXTENDED FAMILY

Aaron and Vianey Perkinson, Assam AFB, South Korea (Nape Baker)	The Comprehensive Rural Health Project, Jamkhed (Connie Gates)	The Binkley Church Council The Binkley Diaconate
Bob Osborne (Dale Osborne)	Tom Long (Karen Long)	Dirk Leiser (Mary Lou Smith)
Nanh & Veo Siu (Ehn Rocham & Phyt Siu)	David Houser (Paul Lindsay)	Beth Posner (Sarah Hill Colwell)
Tan & Scott Coats (Burma missionaries)	Joan Hammond (Tim Bradshaw)	Johnny O'Neal (Janet O'Neal)
Torren Kudzal, US Army (Roal Carlson)	Diane Kudla (Marge Miles)	Nancy Dixon (Pam Swanson Boyd)
Maria de la Mata Bruno (Maribel Bruno)	Tammy Jordan (Roy Brock)	Ann & John Glover (Alice Glover)
Dean Johnson (Terry Huneycutt-Horn)	Betsy Bradley (Julie Lentz)	Ethan Zolit (Martha Hutt)
Pinheiro Baptist Church, Maceio, Brazil	Kathy Wajerski (Peg Williams)	John Bankhead (Stewart Bankhead)
Tara Strickland Hogan (The Walker Family)	Scott Carpenter (Libba Wells)	Don Knight (Josiah & Myra Knight)
Valerie & Percell Harper (April Harper)	Aggie Mills (Karin Mills)	Virginia Taylor (Kristen Smith)
Terri Jones (Julie Lentz)	Sarah Bednarek (Karen Long)	Lewis Ford (Stephanie Ford)
Hamilton McIntyre (Josh McIntyre & Sarah Hill Colwell)	Dan McInnis (Gary Stutts)	Frank Shandor (Marge Miles)
Alice Meisner (Craig Meisner)	)	

### PRAYER CONCERNS SHARED DURING WORSHIP ON 8/26

- \* Buffy Maske, direction; Fred Maske, inspiration:  
*Jane Maske*
- \* Countries like Bangladesh, that they may create systems of justice and protection for victims of crime so people do not need to flee: *Daniel Cole*
- \* Our nation, that we might recover our vision of welcoming immigrants and for Rosa at Church of Reconciliation: *Paul Lindsay*
- \* My daughter Natasha and TJ and Genina Land (parents of Alicia Land) Alicia died August 21, 2004 in a car accident. Natasha was driving. They were starting their final year of high school. I ask for prayers for all of us to find peace and soothing and healing: *Catbrine Hoyo*
- \* David Jones, frail, ill, aging, in need of health and strength; for Martha and myself: *Collins Kilburn*
- \* Fecia Bouchard, surgery to remove lung cancer; Kurt Bouchard, stroke: *Julie Lentz*
- \* Susan Gregory Amos, complications of heart surgery:  
*Myra Knight*
- \* I pray for all who are recovering from surgery to joints, for April Harper, Tim Bradshaw, Barbara Proctor, and my daughter Susannah. I pray for all who suffer from cancer:  
*Anonymous*
- \* Stephanie Babb and her family Paul, Robin, and Peter, \* Stephanie is in the last weeks of cancer: Patti Meredith  
\* Sarah Stockwell Hart Moore; Hannah Randall Hart Jones: *Benson Hart*
- \* Brady, for a joyful school year: *Anonymous*
- \* KD, my son, and his cousins Julie, Zandi and Taka, protection and safety as they return back to school. As a parent it is scary because of all the gun violence in our schools: *Emma Chikwanda*
- \* Please also pray for the many confidential concerns and petitions that were lifted up on this day.

# Take My Gifts and Let Me Love You

*Unison*

1. Take my gifts and let me love You, God who first of all loved me,  
2. Take the fruit that I have gath-ered from the tree Your Spir - it sowed,  
3. Take what - ev - er I can of - fer — gifts that I have yet to find,

gave me light and food and shel - ter, gave me life and set me free.  
har - vest of Your own com - pas - sion, juice that makes the wine of God,  
skills that I am slow to sharp - en, tal - ents of the hand and mind,

Now be - cause Your love has touched me, I have love to give a - way,  
spiced with hu - mor, laced with laugh - ter — fla - vor of the Je - sus life,  
things made beau - ti - ful for oth - ers in the place where I must be:

now the bread of love is ris - ing, loaves of love to mul - ti - ply.  
tang of risk and new ad - ven - ture, taste and zest be - yond be - lief.  
take my gifts and let me love You, God who first of all loved me.