

Round Hill Presbyterian Church

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July 18, 2021

Verse for Meditation:

Exodus 34:6

“The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness...”

WELCOME

* INVOCATION

Pr. Matt Stith

HYMN:

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of Glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; We ignore cries for justice; We do not strive for peace.

In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your spirit, that, forgiven and renewed we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

(Now follows a brief time for silent, personal confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* PRAISE: *“Gloria Patri”*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end, Amen, Amen.

* RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READINGIsaiah 40:25-29

Leader: To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

People: Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these?

Leader: He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name;

People: because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

Leader: Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,

People: “My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God”?

Leader: Have you not known? Have you not heard?

People: The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

Leader: He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

People: He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

* GREETING - PASSING THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC Lisa Wagner

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! ² As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us.

³ Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt. ⁴ Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸ Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹ but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰ Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

SERMON

“Eye Level”

Pr. Matt Stith

* Confession of Faith: Westminster Larger Catechism, question 196

Q. What does the conclusion of the Lord’s prayer teach us?

A. The conclusion of the Lord’s prayer (*for yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever*) teaches us that there must be substance to our requests, that they are based not on any intrinsic worth in ourselves or any created being but on God himself, and that to our prayers should be added praise, which recognizes God alone as eternally sovereign, omnipotent, and gloriously excellent. In that respect, insofar as he is able and willing to help us, our faith makes us bold to plead with him that he will help us and calmly to count on him to answer our prayers. To show that we want to be heard and have confidence that we are heard, we say Amen.

*APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

* HYMN: *“Up to You I Lift My Eyes”*

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING OF SELF AND SERVICE

* Doxology:

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

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN: *“God Moves in a Mysterious Way”*

* BENEDICTION

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

For then shalt thou have delight in the Almighty.

— Job 22:26

Joachim Neander
Tr. by Catherine WinkworthLOBE DEN HERREN
"Stralsund Gesangbuch"

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 *Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly reign - eth,*
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros-per thy work and de - fend thee;
 4 *Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore Him!*



1 O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and sal - va - tion!
 2 *Shel-ters thee un - der His wings, yes, so gen - tly sus - tain - eth!*
 3 Sure - ly His good-ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee.
 4 *All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore Him.*



1 All ye who hear, Now to His tem - ple draw near;
 2 *Hast thou not seen How all thy long - ings have been*
 3 Pon - der a - new What the Al - might - y can do,
 4 *Let the A - men Sound from His peo - ple a - gain:*



1 Join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 2 *Grant - ed in what He or - dain - eth?*
 3 If with His love He be - friend thee.
 4 *Glad - ly for aye we a - dore Him. A - men.*



Up to You I Lift My Eyes 123B

Unison Cm B^bm A^b B^bsus B^bm Cm B^bm

1 Up to you I lift my eyes, high en-throned a -
 2 As a ser - vant watch - es still, set to know his
 3 As a maid re - ceives com-mand from her grac - ious
 4 When in ar - ro - gance de - spised, when re - buffed or

A^b B^bsus B^bm G^b Fm/A^b B^bsus B^bm E^b

bove the skies: teach me, Lord, to fol - low you,
 mas - ter's will: so we fix our eyes on you,
 mis - tress' hand: so, our God, we look to you,
 vic - tim - ized— we seek mer - cy, Lord, from you:

D^b E^b Fm B^bm E^bsus E^b

see your hand in all _____ I do.
 seek your hand in all _____ we do.
 seek your hand in all _____ we do.
 be our guide in all _____ we do.

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God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Heaven is my throne and the earth is my footstool — Isaiah 66:1

DUNDEE

Scottish Psalter

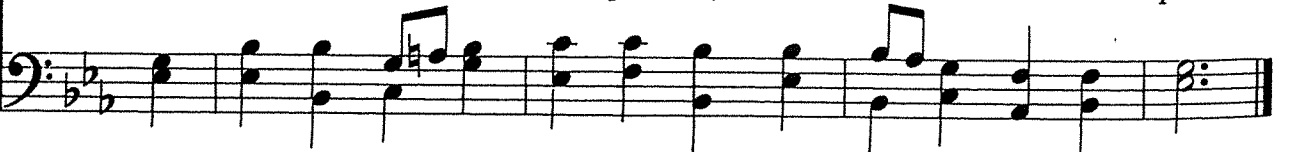
William Cowper



- 1 God moves in a mys - te - rious way His won - ders to per - form;
- 2 *You fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take: The clouds you so much dread*
- 3 Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, But trust Him for His grace;
- 4 *His pur - pos - es will rip - en fast, Un - fold - ing ev - ery hour;*
- 5 Blind un - be - lief is sure to err And scan His work in vain;



- 1 He plants His foot - steps in the sea And rides up - on the storm.
- 2 *Are big with mer - cy, and shall break In bless - ings on your head.*
- 3 Be - hind a frown - ing prov - i - dence He hides a smil - ing face.
- 4 *The bud may have a bit - ter taste, But sweet will be the flower.*
- 5 God is His own in - ter - pret - er, And He will make it plain.



Liturgist – Janice Sherman

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DEACONS		
<u>Class of 2021</u>	<u>Class of 2022</u>	<u>Class of 2023</u>
Alyssa Coleman	Marilyn Christenson	Lori Fritz
Barb Gaylord	Tanya Jackson	Linda Leggett
Julius Simon	Joyce Sandor	Eileen Russell
Shara Zoeller	Karen Welsh	Janice Sherman
Moderator of Deacons / Linda Leggett		

JUNE 2021			
Fund	Monthly Income	Monthly Expenses	Fund Balance Available for Use
General Funds	\$14,048.25	\$14,752.73	\$2,353.23
Dedicated Funds	\$3,315.00	0	\$31,984.10

For the Son of Man
came not to be served,
but to serve...

Matthew 20:28



July 18, 2021

Intercessory Prayer Group - gathers in the C.E. building on Tuesday at 10:00 AM; open to all. We are praying for weekly prayer requests along with other concerns as led by God's Spirit.

Prayer Requests: Email dreamstogo2@gmail.com or fill in a prayer request form and place it in the offering plate. **Prayer requests for the following were received this past week; please include them in your prayers:**

Bonnie Craig, Gus & Butch Crews, Lori Fritz, Ries Guthrie, Kim Mitchell, Robert Sherman, Susie, Howard Sutton, Ten family, Karen Welsh, Zach, Mary Jo Zimmerman

On-Going Requests: Alimjan, Kim Bleichner, Barb Cant, Elfriede Christ, Michelle & Carly Craig, Flocker family, Tyler Gilpin, Larry Kalcevic, Mary Kass, Shawn King, Berl Lewis, Weston McConnell, Leah Meyer, Nan Neff, Mark Neuherz, Mary Riggelman, Tom Russell, Ed & Madelyn Ryan, Trystyn Skrinjorich, Trish Ten, Helen Wagner, Linda Way, Rita Werner, Sally Wilhelm, Crystal Williams & family, Sue Yacura, our Home Church, Round Hill Leaders, our Pastor & Support Staff, Growth of the congregation of Round Hill Church, Children & Teens at Round Hill, New Life Options, Young Life, President Biden & Governing Leaders

Military: Aaron Baumann, Ben Christenson, Philip Damer, Jeremy Ferrence, Blake Flocker, Matthew Hobaugh, Geoff Horvath, Jason Lere, CC Dixon-McGrew, Madison McGrew, Michael Pasini, Noah Reed, Joram Stith, Carter Williams, Grayson Wonsettler, Samuel Wonsettler, and all those serving in the Armed Services

College Students: Kate Baron, Joram Stith

Prayers for POA Churches: Bethel Presbyterian of Enon Valley (Rev. Dodds)

Prayers for EPC Missionaries: Scott, Colleen, & family (United Kingdom)

Always pray and never give up. – Luke 18:1

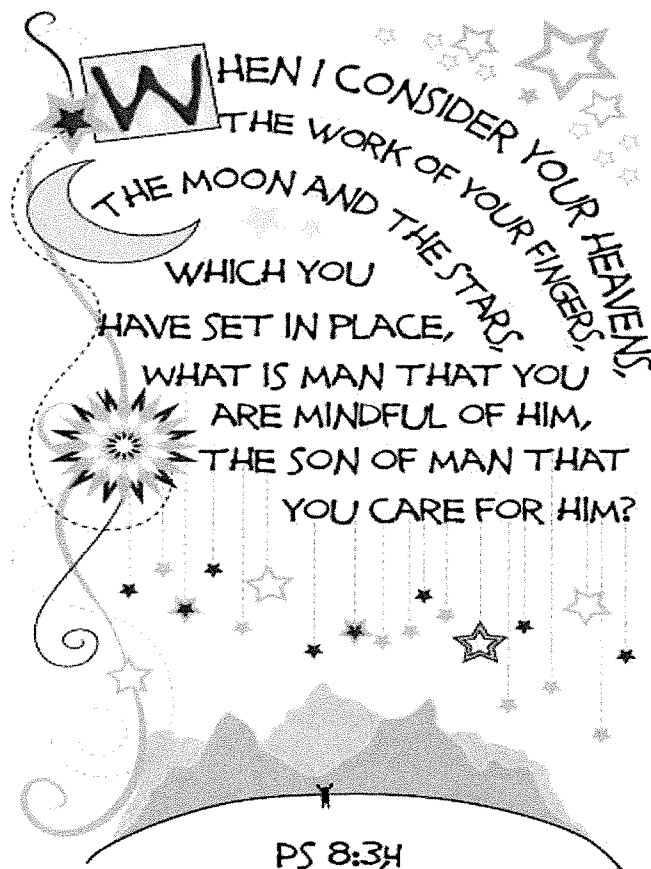
ANNOUNCEMENTS – JULY 18, 2021

FELLOWSHIP!

Come to church early on July 25th and meet us on the patio for coffee, snacks, and, best of all – *fellowship!* - before the 10:00 worship service. In case of inclement weather, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Hope to see you then!

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

The Food Pantry is requesting donations of condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayo, relish, pickles) for the month of July. Please place these items either in the basket in the vestibule or drop them off in front of the Food Pantry door in the CE building. Thank you for helping those in need!



LITURGISTS NEEDED!

As a member of our church family, you have the opportunity and privilege to serve as liturgist. Liturgists are needed every Sunday, so there are plenty of opportunities. We are desiring as many people as possible to volunteer so that when we create a schedule we will have a large base from which to pull names. Our goal is to have at least twelve members join the team, hopefully by September.

We recognize that not everyone is comfortable speaking in front of the congregation, but Pastor Matt provides a full script, and the Holy Spirit promises to support and encourage you! If you feel led to join the team of liturgists, or have any questions please contact Elder Ron Minkus (mink128@aol.com) or complete the form below and drop it in the basket.

Thank you in advance for prayerfully considering serving in this way.

Name:		
Contact Info	Email:	Phone: