

**Entrance**Gathering *(As we gather to worship please greet those persons sitting around you.)*Prelude *(Please use this time to prepare yourself for worship.)**The Lone, Wild Bird* - arr. R. Lau*The Heavens Declare Thy Glory, Lord* - arr. L. Shackley

Chiming of the Hour

Greetings and Welcome *(During this time please pass the pew notebooks.)*

Time of Centering Susan Brosnan &amp; Jennifer Williams, flute

*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship* - arr. S. Pethel

Lighting of the Altar Candles

\*Invocation

\*Opening Hymn No. 100

*God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us***Proclamation**

Old Testament Lesson

Deuteronomy 34:1-8

Compass Moment

Commissioning of Church Officers

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Meditation

Rev. Jay Minnick

**Response**

Joys and Thanksgivings/Prayer Concerns

Silent Prayers/Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer *(please pray in unison)***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 trespasses,****as we forgive those who trespass against us.****And 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 Our Gifts

Offertory

Jill Boliek, piano

*For the Beauty of the Earth* - arr. J. Raney\*Doxology *(sung in unison)***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.****Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn

*Come and Find the Quiet Center*

No. 2128

\*Pastoral Benediction

\*Postlude

*To God Be the Glory* - arr. J. Krug

\*please rise in body or in spirit

*If you are looking for a church home in the Raleigh area we would love for you to become part of our church family here at Pleasant Grove. Please contact the church office for more information about church membership.*

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*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by the Speri family in loving memory of Bill's father.***Weekly Prayer List****Concerns:** Carol Robison; Lauren Tong; Brenda Cantu; Mike Crean; Robbie Stewart; Sandy & Jason Castleberry; Jim & Judy Neese; Cindy Hardy's mom; Purabi Dey's mom; Bill Krieski's mom; Heather Wilson's dad; Nikki Williams's mom; Kirk Pedersen's mom; Sandy Jennekens's mom; William Holley's stepfather; Glen Bulloss's brother; Vickie McGee's brother, Jim; Nancy McGee's sister, Margie; John McGlaughlin's brother, Jim; Purabi Dey's sister-in-law, Sumitra; Michele Baitsholts's brother, Anthony; Brenda Cantu's sister, Lillian; Jane & Dale Stokes's sister-in-law, Doris; Connie Dimitroff's uncle; Betty Pierce's niece, Donna; Jeff & Kristin Hoffmann's niece, Angie; Niki Speri's aunt; Virginia Benner's uncle, Chuck; Lucinda Sullivan's cousin, Martha; Elaine Guarnieri's cousin; Susan Paxton's cousin, Lori; Ellen Rogers's cousin, Wayne.**This Week's Calendar****Today:**

5:00 p.m. Outreach Committee

6:30 p.m. Triadic Vocals Concert

**Monday:**

1:00 p.m. Hand Bell Camp

**Tuesday:**

1:15 p.m. YarnCraft Ministry

7:00 p.m. United Women In Faith

7:00 p.m. Church &amp; Society Committee

**Wednesday:**

10:00 a.m. Donuts &amp; Devotions

4:30 p.m. Great Minds @ Stonecrest

6:00 p.m. Sewing Ministry

**Thursday:**

11:00 a.m. Sewing Ministry

11:30 a.m. Bring Your Own Lunch

12:00 p.m. Singing Through The Hymnal

**Friday:**

10:30 a.m. Friday Folders

## Weekly Announcements

Please join us this evening at 6:30 p.m. for our first performance of the 2024 - 2025 PGUMC Concert Series, featuring Triadic Vocals, an a cappella vocal ensemble. This concert features pop music and is family friendly! Invite your friends and neighbors - all are welcome!

The United Women In Faith (UWIF) are gearing up to kick off the 2024 - 2025 year! Please join us for our first meeting of the year this Tuesday, August 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the Welcome Center. We will go over our plans for the upcoming year, join in fellowship, and share in a devotional together. You will also hear about the plans for this year's Christmas Tea, scheduled for December 14! All women are welcome and childcare will be provided. If you'd like to be added to the UWIF email list please contact Challie Guerra at [challie.e.sullivan@gmail.com](mailto:challie.e.sullivan@gmail.com) or 919-740-1655.

Sunday School Promotion Sunday will be next Sunday, August 25. Traditionally, Pleasant Grove presents Bibles to all 4th graders on Promotion Sunday. Please contact Ashley Yohman at [ashley.yohman@pgumc.org](mailto:ashley.yohman@pgumc.org) if you have a child in the 4th grade for the 2024-2025 school year.

Please join us on either Monday, August 26, at 7:00 p.m. or Thursday, August 29, at 10:00 a.m. for a Bible Study Open House. This fall we will have an in-depth study of the books of the Pentateuch (Genesis - Deuteronomy). Once again it will be a hybrid format (in-person at the Hyder House and remote via Zoom). Please contact Rev. Minnick with any questions.

Mark your calendars! On Sunday, September 1, we will have one worship service at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Our children's Sunday school classes will not meet that day but nursery will be available for kids ages 3 and younger.

Young people, beginning in 3rd grade, are invited to participate in worship by acolyting at the 8:30 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. worship services! If you are interested in being an acolyte and have never been trained, schedule a time in August to meet with Ashley Yohman. Our acolytes will return to worship services in September!

Retreat from the heat! Back by popular demand is another sewing "retreat" week! Mark your calendars for September 9 - 13, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Mattie Bell Building. We'll have snacks, lunches, a field trip, a new community project, and of course lots of laughter and fellowship. Caregivers are welcome, and we'll have projects appropriate for those for whom you care. No sewing experience is required - all ages and genders are welcome to stop by from time to time or to attend every day. Call, text, or email Karin at 919-208-6164 or [klkasan@africansun.net](mailto:klkasan@africansun.net) with any questions.

Attention PGUMC Men! The United Methodist Men are gauging interest in a golf outing in the coming weeks. If you're interested in teeing up, please contact Mike Della Rosa at [sdellarosa@nc.rr.com](mailto:sdellarosa@nc.rr.com) or 919-264-4319.

## Financials

(July 2024 - June 2025)

Giving Received Last Week: \$8,624.00  
Giving Received YTD: \$79,819.50

Giving Needed Each Week: \$13,181.38  
Giving Needed YTD: \$79,088.28

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