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◆ **Calendar of Events:**

- Sunday, October 16—World Food Day
- Wednesday, October 19—Happy Birthday Peggy Davis and Ann Gardner Branscom
- Thursday, October 20—HFI Membership Meeting—7 pm
- Sunday, October 23—Preacher: Laura Jane Ramsburg
Duty Elder: Jim Porter and Sandy Gates
Fellowship: _____
- Monday, October 24—Happy Birthday Lynne Bolton and Bryce Branscom
- Wednesday, October 26—Happy Birthday Pierce Brenner
- Thursday, October 27—Session Meeting 7:00 pm
- Friday, October 28 and Saturday, October 29—Ghost Tours sponsored by Botetourt Chamber of Commerce, BCHS, and Muddy Squirrel

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Service for the Lord's Day
19th Sunday after Pentecost
October 16, 2022—10:30 am (In person & Live Streaming)

Mission Statement

Striving to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, growing in God through uplifting and inspiring spiritual experiences, and serving the community in love.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: *The Church's One Foundation*
Samuel Wesley

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: from Proverbs 3:5-18

One: Happy are those who find wisdom and those who get understanding.

Many: Her income is better than silver, and her revenue better than gold.
One: Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor
Many: Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn: #574 *Lord Speak To Me That I May Speak*

Call to Confession:

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

Gracious God,

you are generous in every way. We are blessed beyond measure. But we confess that we have sinned in hoarding the treasure you have given us. We are quick to claim your forgiveness, but slow to forgive. We are quick to receive the good news of grace, but slow to share it. We can't say what Jesus has done for us. We've lost touch with the difference he makes in our lives or in our church. Forgive us, Lord, for playing it safe with our faith. Urge us, once again, to focus on our neighbors in need of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray.

Silent Confession: **AMEN**

Kyrie: **Lord have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.** #823

Assurance of Pardon:

One: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Many: For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set us free from the law of sin and of death.

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

Many: Hallelujah! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

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.** #805

Prayers of the People

Offertory Anthem: *I'll Fly Away*
Albert Brumley

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. Amen** #808

Prayer of Dedication

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading:

Proverbs 3:5-18

p. 548-549

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Hymn: #623

New Testament Reading:

Matthew 25:14-30

p. 860 - 861

Sermon:

"Risky Business"

Carl Utley

Moment for Meditation:

There Is a Balm In Gilead

Arr. Mark Hayes

Profession of Faith: Apostle's Creed #14

Hymn: #622

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

Closing Prayer

Charge and Blessing

Postlude:

Come, Thou Almighty King

Felice de Giardini

Announcement and Concerns of the Church

Prayer List: Nathalie Givens, Kaki Peaslee, Meg and Bob Omer, Mary Beth Huwe, Pete Adamson (heart issues), Laura Holt McCann, Mary Lee Reese, Mary Black, Amy Ward (Family of Sue Porter), Paul Langford (Dot Langford's brother-in-law and Leigh Anne Martin's uncle), Whitney Wolford (friend of the Baileys), Doug Ross, Walt Adams (friend of Peggy Davis), the family of Ben Womble (Sandy's family), Vaughn Bozman (John Griffith, the people of Florida and those who suffered damage due to the Hurricane Ian and Fiona

- ◆ Today, we welcome Lori Turner, guest musician, to lead us in the music portions of the service.
- ◆ We also welcome our friend Carl Utley, Executive Presbyter of Presbytery of the Peak as our worship leader and preacher.

Proverbs 3: 5-18

- 5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.
- 6 In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.
- 7 Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.
- 8 It will be a healing for your flesh and a refreshment for your body.
- 9 Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce;
- 10 then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.
- 11 My child, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of his reproof,
- 12 for the Lord reproves the one he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.
- 13 Happy are those who find wisdom, and those who get understanding,
- 14 for her income is better than silver, and her revenue better than gold.
- 15 She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her.
- 16 Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor.
- 17 Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.
- 18 She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called happy.

Matthew 25:14-30

- 14 "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them;
- 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.
- 16 The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents.
- 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents.
- 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.
- 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them.
- 20 Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents."
- 21 His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."
- 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents."
- 23 His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."
- 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed;
- 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours."
- 26 But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter?"
- 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest.
- 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents.
- 29 For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.
- 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

**#574 Lord Speak To Me That I
May Speak**

1 Lord, speak to me that I may speak
in living echoes of your tone;
as you have sought, so let me seek
your wandering children, lost, alone.

2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
the stumbling and the straying feet;
and feed me, Lord, that I may feed
your hungry ones with manna sweet.

3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
the precious things which you impart;
and wing my words, that they may
reach
the hidden depths of many a heart.

4 O fill me with your fullness, Lord,
until my heart shall overflow
in kindling thought and glowing word,
your love to tell, your praise to show.

#623 Sweet Hour of Prayer

1 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour
of prayer,
that calls me from a world of care,
and bids me at my Father's throne
make all my wants and wishes
known:
in seasons of distress and grief
my soul has often found relief,
and oft escaped the tempter's snare
by thy return, sweet hour of prayer

2 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour
of prayer,
thy wings shall my petition bear,
to him whose truth and faithfulness
engage the waiting soul to bless;
and since he bids me seek his face,
believe his word, and trust his
grace,
I'll cast on him my every care,
and wait for thee, sweet hour of
prayer.

**#622 What A Friend We
Have in Jesus**

1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!

2 Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer!

3 Are we weak and heavy laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake
thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield
thee;
thou wilt find a solace there.