

**WEST BEND CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP
FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2023 AT 10 AM**

OPENING PRAYER Pastor Gordon Fulton
OPENING SONG Choir & Congregation
“For the Beauty of the Earth” UMH 92, vs. 1

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “We Gather Together” UMH 131
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(If you have a prayer request and/or praise report, please fill out a prayer request card even if you announce it so we can get the correct information. Visitors, please fill out a connection card. Cards may be placed in the offering plate.)

***THE AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH** (In Unison)
“The Apostles’ Creed” UMH 881

OFFERTORY PRAYER
MORNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY Choir & Congregation
“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” UMH 117, vs. 1, 3, 6

DOXOLOGY Choir & Congregation
“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 95

MESSAGE Pastor Gordon Fulton
“Seven Steps To Broaden Your Path To Prayer”

Understand The ‘Definition Of Faith’ Through Prayer.

Understand The Reward In Prayer.

Understand That We May Be BOLD IN Prayer.

Understand That Unity Supports Our Position In Prayer.

Understand The Value Of Humility And Reverence In Prayer.

Understand The “Complete” Prayer

Understand That YOU Are Qualified To Pray.

SCRIPTURES See Insert

***HYMN OF DEDICATION** UMH 694
“Come, Ye Thankful People. Come”

***THE BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH**

***THE RECESSIONAL** “Thank You, Lord” C&W 13
Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul.
Thank you, Lord for making me whole;
Thank you, Lord, for giving to me
Thy great salvation so rich and free.

**Please stand as you are able*

THE PATH I TAKE

**THE PATH I TAKE IS OLD AND WORN,
APPEARING NEW FOR THOSE THAT USE IT.**

**THE PATH I TAKE IS A TWO WAY STREET,
APPEARING SO FOR THOSE THAT CHOOSE IT.**

**LAYING DOWN ITS WIDTH THRU ALL TEMPTATIONS
IT’S STRONGER STILL AT ITS FOUNDATION...
THE PATH I TAKE CAN SAVE GREAT NATIONS.**

**THE PATH I TAKE REALLY NEVER ENDS...
IT APPEARS TO STOP—TILL I BEGIN AGAIN.
IT WINDS AND REACHES, AND SOMETIMES FALTERS,
BUT IS FOUND AGAIN AT MANY ALTARS.**

**THE PATH I TAKE HAVE BATTLES WON,
THE ROUTE IT TAKES IS THRU THE SON.**

**THE EMPATHY I TAKE IS ALWAYS THERE
THO MANY STILL - ARE UNAWARE.
THE PATH I TAKE IS ONE OF PRAYER...
THE PATH I TAKE IS ONE OF PRAYER.**

BY GORDON FULTON

Prayer Requests

Our Church Family
Carolyn Dotson
Harold Hill

Our Family & Friends

Chet Davis (Richard & Rita Lanier's nephew)
Karen Davis (Doris Davidson's daughter)
Billy Hunt (Laurie Hunt's brother-in-law)
Israel

Our Church & Country

Ida Starr (Clay & Reagan Hill's grandma)
Those on their way to our church
Angie Toomes (Dare & Layne Campbell's daughter)
Unsaved
Unspoken Requests

Assisted & Skilled Living Residents

*=Church Member

Alpine: *Juanita Porche

Cross Roads: Marie Caldwell (Carol's sister)

Universal Ramseur: Lena Mae McMasters

Our Military

Kasey Ingold, Logan Morris, Veterans

Christian Sympathy is extended to the family & friends of:

Donald Asbill (Toni Welch's father)

Malachi King (Mike Ingold's friend)

Prayer Requests will be left for 2 weeks unless notified otherwise.

**New Request for this week

Memorial Gift in Loving Memory of
Daffie Branson by Carol Petty

Memorial Gifts to the Budget in Loving Memory of
Myrtle Jane Cox by Ken & Donna Robbins

Memorial Gifts to the Budget in Loving Memory of
Betty Sykes by Ken & Donna Robbins

Memorial Gift in Loving Memory of
Donald W. Robbins, Veteran,
By Ken & Donna Robbins

TOG received \$250 in offerings and served 180 last week.

Hospice Snacks are due 12/31/23. Please leave in overflow room.

Church Calendar

Sunday, November 19
9:30 AM Choir Practice
10:00 AM Worship

Tuesday, November 21
11:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
12:00 PM TOG serving
Thanksgiving Meal

Thursday, November 23
Happy Thanksgiving!
Office Closed

Friday, November 24
Office Closed

Tithes & Offerings Update

for Last Sunday

Received \$2,575

You can give in person or by mail to
P.O. Box 1845, Asheboro, NC 27204
or by PayPal Link:

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=GEAUNSMH5HM9L&source=url

Thank you for your tithes and offerings to the Budget.



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Ministers

Interim Pastor

Office Manager

Lay Leader

Janitor

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Mrs. Carol Petty

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Seven Steps To Broaden Your Path To Prayer

1. Understand The 'Definition Of Faith' Through Prayer.

Hebrews 11

¹ Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

² For by it the elders obtained a *good* testimony.

³ By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

2. Understand The Reward In Prayer.

Hebrews Ch. 11

⁶ But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

3. Understand That We May Be BOLD IN Prayer.

Hebrews Ch. 4

¹⁴ Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* confession.

¹⁵ For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all *points* tempted as *we are*, yet without sin.

¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

4. Understand That Unity Supports Our Position In Prayer.

1st Peter Chapter 3

⁸ Finally, all *of you be* of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, *be* tenderhearted, *be* courteous; ⁹ not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called to this, that you may inherit a blessing.

5. Understand The Value Of Humility And Reverence In Prayer.

Matthew Ch. 6.

⁵ "And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.

⁶ But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who *is* in the secret *place*; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.

⁷ And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen *do*. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.

6. Understand The 'Complete' Prayer.

Matthew Ch. 6

⁸ "Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him.

⁹ In this manner, therefore, pray:

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed be Your Name.

¹⁰ *Thy kingdom come.*

Thy will be done

In earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ *Give us this day our daily bread.*

¹² *And forgive us our debts,*

As we forgive our debtors.

¹³ *And lead us not into temptation,*

But deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. (KJV)

7. Understand That YOU Are Qualified To Pray.

Psalm 102

¹⁷ He shall regard the prayer of the destitute, And shall not despise their prayer.

¹⁸ This will be written for the generation to come, That a people yet to be created may praise the LORD.

¹⁹ For He looked down from the height of His sanctuary; From heaven the LORD viewed the earth,

²⁰ To hear the groaning of the prisoner, To release those appointed to death,

Three Steps To Correct A Weak Prayer Life

Repent - Respond - Reinstate