

**WEST BEND CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP
FOR OCTOBER 8, 2023 at 10 AM**

OPENING PRAYER Pastor Gordon Fulton

OPENING SONG “Surely The Presence of The Lord” Choir

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” UMH 452

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 “When You Pray” C&W 4 Choir

DOXOLOGY

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 95

MESSAGE Pastor Gordon Fulton
“Will You Be Maximized or Minimized?”

SCRIPTURES

Matthew Ch.5

1.And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. 2 Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

3 Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.

5 Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth.

6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.

7 Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.

8 Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God.

9 Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God.

10 Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.

12 Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

(If we do not maintain a Blessed Position, Greater Harm May Be Revealed)

13 “You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

14 “You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden.

15 Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

We Must Not Lose The Ability To

Cry Out
Persist or
Pursue

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

***HYMN OF DEDICATION** UMH 462
“Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus”

***THE BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH**

***THE RECESSIONAL** “Thank You, Lord” C&W 13
*Thank you, Lord, fo 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*

Our Church Family

Jane Cox
Carolyn Dotson
Harold Hill
Lena Mae McMasters



Our Family & Friends

Roby Boswell (Cyndi Reinhardt's friend)
Karen Davis (Doris Davidson's daughter)
Billy Hunt (Laurie Hunt's brother-in-law)
Our Church & Country
Ida Starr (Clay & Reagan Hill's grandma)
Angie Toomes (Dare & Layne Campbell's daughter)
Unsaved
Unspoken Requests

Assisted & Skilled Living Residents

***=Church Member**
Alpine: *Juanita Porche
Brookdale: Betty Sykes
Cross Roads: Marie Caldwell (Carol's sister)

Our Military

Kasey Ingold, Logan Morris, Veterans

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

****New Request for this week**

On Sunday, October 15, church members will vote on going Global Methodist.

TOG News

Received \$70 in offerings and fed 180 last week.

Worship Associates:

Musicians-April Brown, Choir, Handbells
Sound System-Richard Lanier
Power Point-Tina Gunn
Nursery/Children's Church-Cedelle Troxler
Ushers: Mike Brown, Bill Burrow
Communion Preparer: Debra Hill
Thank you for your service!

Church Calendar

Sunday, October 8

9:30AM Choir Practice
10:00AM Worship

Monday, October 9

Columbus Day
Office Closed for Holiday

Tuesday, October 10

12:00PM Table of Grace

Wednesday, October 11

11:00AM Bulletin Deadline

Tithes & Offerings Update for Last Sunday

Received \$2,440
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=_click&hosted_button_id=GEAUNSMHSHM9L&source=url

**Thank you for your gifts to the budget which allows us to keep the church running & participate in many ministries.
Attendance: 28**

Staff

Ministers	Every Member
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YOU ARE THE
Salt
OF THE EARTH



YOU ARE THE
Light
OF THE WORLD

Matthew Chapter 5 'The Beattitudes' Lessons To Live By

Verse #3 Blessed are those that are poor in spirit for theirs is the Kingdom of God.

Those that are in despair- hopelessness- battling depression, or you just can't find your way or can't find your place, Jesus says these conditions may be overcome with the greatest reward of Salvation, and finding the Will of God.

Verse #4 Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.

Philippians 4:7 And the Peace of God which passes all understanding shall keep your hearts through Christ Jesus.

Verse #5 Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth.

What does meek mean? It refers to having strength with control. (with great focus and understanding).

Philippians 4: 13 I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

Verse #6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.

Jesus desires that we find the Will of God for our lives.

Matthew 6:33 But seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.

Verse #7 Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy. You must know Christ and God the person- to know about and understand His Mercy.

We must emulate Him and demonstrate mercy as well.

Psalms 86: 15 But you, O Lord, are a God full of compassion and gracious, longsuffering and abundant in mercy and truth.

Verse #8 Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.

That sounds like a tall order - no one is perfect, but there are those who strive to embody the purity of God's standards, and that effort will be rewarded.

Titus 1:15 To the pure all things are pure, but to those who are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure; but even their mind and conscience are defiled.

Verse #9 Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called sons of God.

God-like behaviors reflect the life of Jesus (The Prince of Peace.)

Psalm 119: 165 Great peace they have which love thy law and nothing shall offend them.

Verses 10, 11, 12 Great Persecutions are coming.

Apply all that you know to maintain that promised Heavenly Reward.