

WEST BEND CHURCH  
ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025, 11 AM

PRELUDE “I Know Who Holds Tomorrow” April Brown  
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
\*CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO WORSHIP #328  
“Surely the Presence of the Lord”

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER  
THE LORD’S PRAYER (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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

SCRIPTURE INTRODUCTION/CHILDREN’S TIME “What Annoys You?”  
\*HYMN OF PRAISE “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” #133

MORNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
OFFERTORY “Open Your Heart” Choir  
DOXOLOGY “Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow” #95  
OFFERTORY PRAYER

MESSAGE Rev. Richard Routh  
“What is Your “Thorn in the Flesh?”

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 (ESV)  
12:1 I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. 2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. 3 And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— 4 and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. 5 On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses— 6 though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth; but I refrain from it, so that no one

may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. 7 So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. 8 Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. 9 But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 10 For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

CONSIDER THIS:

Our Strength Comes From God.

Our Strength and Ability come from Christ. JOHN 15:5

God shows his strength in our weaknesses. 2 CORINTHIANS 12:9

God will always be the strength of our life. PSALM 73:26

God is with us at all times. DEUTERONOMY 31:6

We can do everything through Christ. PHILIPPIANS 4:13

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION “How Great Thou Art” #77

\*THE BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

\*RECESSIONAL “Thank You, Lord”  
*Thank you, Lord for saving my soul. Thank you, Lord for making me whole.  
Thank you, Lord for giving to me the greatest salvation so rich and free.*

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

*There are hearing devices available to use during worship. Please see an usher for assistance.*

*There are flyers advertising West Bend. Please pick up as many as you want to place at restaurants, etc.*

# Prayer List

Our Church Family

Paul Foust  
Gail Hurley  
Dave McGowan  
Billie Nance  
Susan Reid  
Judy Stultz  
Vivian Morgan

Our Family & Friends

Karen Davis (Doris Davidson’s daughter)  
Angela Frye (Donna Robbins’ cousin)  
Andrea Sykes (Carol Petty’s sister-in-law)  
Angie Toomes (Campbell’s daughter)  
Channing Welch (Chuck & Toni’s grand-daughter)

Assisted & Skilled Living Residents

\*=Church Member  
Asheboro Health & Rehab: \*Harold Hill  
Cross Roads, Asheboro: Marie Caldwell  
Ramseur Rehab: \*Carolyn Dotson  
\*Lena Mae McMasters

Our Military

Logan Morris, Veterans

Christian Sympathy to the family of

Baby Charli Welch (Chuck & Toni Welch’s granddaughter)

*Prayer Requests will be listed for 2 weeks unless notified otherwise. Thank you.*

Worship Associates

Musicians: April Brown, Choir  
Sound System: Richard Lanier  
Ushers: Mike Brown, Bill Burrow  
Attendance Takers: Linda Burrow,  
Richard Lanier, Kathy McGowan  
Power Point: Mary Anne Routh  
Communion Preparer: Debra Hill  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

Church Calendar

Sunday, September 14  
11 am Worship

Tuesday, September 16  
12 pm Table of Grace

Wednesday, September 17  
1 pm Bible Study

*The Church Office is closed this week.*

*Need a volunteer to deliver TOG meals.  
It only takes 30 minutes. Call Carol Petty to volunteer.*

*A Memorial Gift was given to the  
Budget in memory of Tom Morgan  
by Tal & Gay Hardin.*

We are so happy you are here and would like to welcome you to our church.

We hope you find our worship encouraging and will attend again.

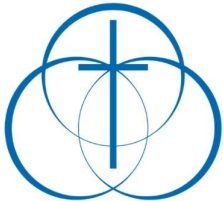
If you are a first time visitor, please fill out a connection card located in the pews. If you have a prayer request, even if you announce it, please take time to fill out a prayer request card so we can notate them properly. Completed cards may be placed in the offering plate. Thank you.

Ministry Staff

Ministers	Every Member
Pastor	Rev. Richard Routh
Office Manager	Mrs. Debra Y. Rogers
Lay Leader	Mrs. Carol S. Petty
Janitor	Mr. Tim Burrow

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