

SERMON NOTES

TODAY'S INSPIRATION

Grace—unmerited favor of God, as manifested in the salvation of sinners and the bestowal of blessings.
Grace—getting what you don't deserve / unmerited favor

Mercy—not getting what you do deserve / withheld punishment

MATTHEW 6:19-20
Treasures in Heaven

19Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal.

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SICK/ SHUT-IN AND PRAYER

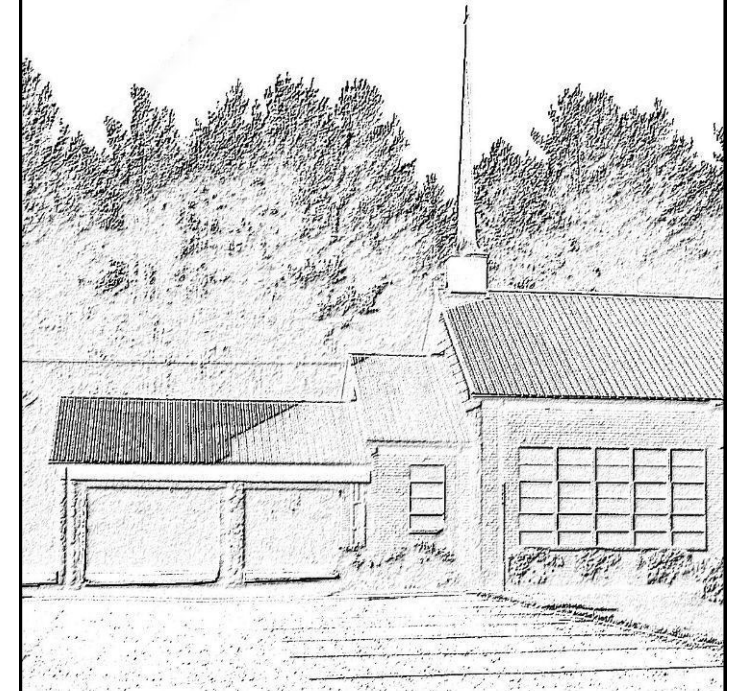
Edward Corpening	Joyce Dula
Katherine Purnell	Harold Dula
Thelma Dula	Gary Phillips
Susan Harris	Adoree Millsaps
Edith Dula	Rosalee Patterson
Reather Ervin	Willow Carter
Jerlene Dula	Angela Dula
Laura New	Curtis Dula
Vondra Johnson	Rev. E.B. Freeman
Jarae Millsaps	Patricia Grimes
Jeffery Harshaw	Betty Dula
Mona Harshaw	Walter Foster
Hazel Patterson	Winnifred Dula
Rev. David L. Moore, Sr.	David Young
Pastor Valerie Hightower	Ruth Ferguson
Beatrice L. Dula	Princess Anderson

Deposits/Credits—12/ 2016	7,963.82
Withdrawals/Debits— 12/2016	<u>-6,144.91</u>
Revenue or Expenses —12/2016	-1,818.91

CHURCH INCOME - JANUARY 03, 2016

Sunday School	\$ 15.35
Mission	\$ 25.00
Children Fund	\$ 21.00
Per Capita	\$ 8.00
General Offering	<u>\$ 2,652.69</u>
Total	\$ 2,722.04

BAPTISM OF THE LORD



DULATOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

REV. HAROLD J. BENNETT II, PASTOR
SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2016

“stand firm in your faith”

WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2016—10:45AM

GATHERING

PRELUDE (PRAISE TEAM)
INTROIT OR PROCESSIONAL

LIGHTING OF CANDLES (ALCOLYTE)

WELCOME (LITURGIST)
CALL TO WORSHIP (LITURGIST)
PRAYER OF INVOCATION

OPENING HYMN
INVITATION TO CONFESSION (LITURGIST)
PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)
ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (LITURGIST)
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)

GLORIA PATRI #654
WELCOME/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS
ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY (SCRIPTURE)

SELECTION BY CHOIR

OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (LITURGIST)

HYMN OF PREPARATION

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC (CHOIR SELECTION)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (LITURGIST)

GOOD NEWS

HYMN OF INVITATION

SPECIAL SELECTION

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

BENEDICTION (TILL WE MEET AGAIN)

SENDING/PASS THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)

Today we celebrate a special baptism, the baptism of Jesus of Nazareth. God says Look! See my chosen servant, the One in whom I utterly delight.

I have placed my Spirit on him, he will bring true justice to the nations.

When Jesus was baptized, the heavens opened up, and Spirit came down like a dove, and there was a voice from heaven saying

“This is my dearly loved Son, with whom I am delighted.”

The joy of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (RESPONSIVELY)

We are incredibly stubborn, O Lord. We have entered the season, in which Your Light has been given to the world, your blessings have been poured out on the world, and yet all we can think about is our own problems, our own needs, our own desires.

Help us to desire you, Lord. Help us to yearn for your presence. Pour your baptismal waters over us again, cleansing us from our self-pity and arrogance.

Nourish and heal us so that we may joyfully serve you. Wash away our jealousy, greed, and all negative thoughts and behaviors that stand in the way of our truly being the people you have called us to be.

Again let us receive the blessings offered in creation, in the birth and baptism of Jesus, and in the ministry of the saints of light. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED (UNISON)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

MEETINGS/REHEARSALS

STATED SESSION MEETING - Monday, January 11th at 6pm. (Elders please check your mailboxes)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION will meet Tuesday, January 12th at 5:30pm

TRUSTEE BOARD will meet Tuesday, January 12th at 6pm

DPC BIBLE STUDY GROUP will meet Wednesday, January 13th at 6pm.

MEN'S COUNCIL will meet Saturday, January 16th at 9am.

ELDERS & DEACON MODERATOR please come by the office and pick up your calendars in your mailboxes.

PER CAPITA FOR 2016 All members need to pay their per capita tax for calendar year 2016 by the end of March 2016. The amount is \$8.00.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS FOR JANUARY 2016!!

Rosalind Kincaid—Jan 12, A.J. Church—Jan 16, Charles Kincaid—Jan 16, Donna Harshaw—Jan 18, Beatrice L. Dula—Jan 21 and Mona Harshaw—Jan 22. Please let the Secretary know if any members need to be added to the January Birthday List. May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you always.

SCRIPTURE READING(S)

LUKE 3:15-17, 21-22

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SERMONIC MESSAGE

'A BLESSING AT THE FONT'

COMMISSION AND BLESSING OR POSTLUDE (CHOIR)

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/SHARING COMMUNITY LIFE