

**Service of the Lord's Day**  
**July 16, 2017**  
**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

PRELUDE                      *Simple Gifts*                      *arr. Christiansen*

TOWER BELL

**LISTENING**

OPENING WORDS

CHORAL INTROIT *Oh Lord of Heaven and Earth and Sea*                      *Larson*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

People: Your word is our heritage forever, the joy of our hearts.

\*INVOCATION

\*HYMN 389                      *Spirit of the Living God*                      *IVERSON*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient and persistent God, we come, polished and presentable, to this comfortable room as if we knew what to expect, as if this were a safe and predictable place, as if we could simply observe. Holy One, forgive sad presumptions. In the mystery of your love, overshadow us. Plant the seeds of your gospel in each of our hearts until we bloom and spill with your passion to serve in a world that is wasting. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

CHILDREN'S TIME

**LEARNING**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT                      *Psalms 119:105-112*                      *O.T. p. 569*

ANTHEM                      *The Lord My Shepherd Is*                      *Lovelace*

EPISTLE READING                      *Romans 8:1-11*                      *N.T. p. 157*

SERMON                      *"Setting the Stage"*                      *Dr. Steve Fitzgerald*

**LINKING**

\*HYMN 393                      *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*                      *TRENTHAM*

\*THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, 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 rose 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.

\*THE GLORIA PATRI                      *GREATOREX*

THE OFFERING

Offertory                      *Offertory on "Olivet"*                      *Young*  
\*The Doxology                      *OLD HUNDREDTH*

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.

Offertory Prayer

THE MORNING PRAYER WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*HYMN 384                      *Spirit Song*                      *SPIRIT SONG*

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*CHORAL RESPONSE                      *Go In Peace*                      *Phillips*

\*POSTLUDE                      *Postlude on "Palestrina"*                      *Young*

\*Those who are able may stand.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, George King, Charlotta King and Riley Jordan, by John and Polly Jordan.

**THE MYSTERY IS REVEALED!** Please check the bulletin board to the entrance of Ropp Hall to find out your long anticipated dinner host. There are a few spaces left, so hurry to sign up! Remember all proceeds from the “Mystery Dinner” will be used to buy tables and chairs for a community building in Miguel Aleman which our Mexico Mission team helped build.

**WANTED:** Looking for: Basses, Tenors, Altos, and Sopranos - OR just “melodic” singers!!! If you love (or like) to sing and cannot commit to year-round singing, this is a great opportunity to participate in our choral ministries. Practice will take place every Sunday @ 10:30am downstairs in the choir room - so come on and join the fun and fellowship to make this summer special by adding your talent to the current talent of the RPC Choir. Hope to see YOU there!

The next “Dinner & Movie” night will take place on Wednesday, August 9. Watch for details.



## This Week at Raeford Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 16	8:00 am	MOC Breakfast
	9:00 am	Called Session Mtg.
	9:15 am	Prayer & Reflection
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
Tuesday, July 18	7:30 am	Prayer & Reflection
Wednesday, July 19	6:00 pm	Youth
Thursday, July 20	11:00 am	Theological Thursday
Sunday, July 23	9:15 am	Prayer & Reflection
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship

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**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Lois Austin, Edith Averette, Bobby Britt, Letitia Conoly, Bobby Cox, Charlie Davis, David Dombkowski, Shirley Gibson, Julian Johnson, Susan McColl, Jessica McGougan, Wayne Mills, Kay Norris, Bill Poole, Becky Smith, our missionaries: Dan and Elizabeth Turk; and members of the United States Armed Forces.

**Door Duty:** John K. McNeill, Dale Teal, Johnny Smith, Delia McNeill  
**Nursery Duty:** Linda McLeod and Linda Williams  
**Nursery Duty Next Week:** Evan and Cortney Hendrix