



# Knollwood

## *at Worship*

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, September 24, 2023 • 10:45 AM

In-Person and Live-Stream

*To those who feel the need of light; to those who find doubts and fears in their hearts;  
to those who need courage for their daily tasks; to those who feel lonely and friendless;  
to those who wish to give service; to all who, in faith, will support and involve themselves  
to the limit of their ability in the work of the Kingdom of God which this church undertakes;  
to all who want rest, peace, and happiness — this church invites you to the fellowship of Jesus.*

# KNOLLWOOD AT WORSHIP

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

*Please silence all electronic devices. Thank you!*

### CHIMES

*Three chimes are sounded, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, centering us in the embrace of the Spirit. As we gather, we present ourselves “as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship” (Romans 12:1)*

### PRELUDE

*Morning Song of Praise*..... *Derek Hakes*  
Youth Bells; David Winkelman, director

### CALL TO WORSHIP ..... Sara Smith

Come, let us give joyful praise and thanks to the Lord,  
**Remembering the wonder of God’s greatness and daily provision for our needs.**  
Let our hearts and souls rejoice,  
**As we seek the presence and strength, Word and Spirit of God.**  
May we leave our pain and fears outside these doors,  
**Finding assurance in God’s mercy and steadfast love.**  
God is near to all who call on God in truth;  
**God is with us wherever we go through all of life.**      *~Dean Clifford, from Psalms 105 and 145*

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 1

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God, Almighty!*..... *NICAEA*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY ..... Sara Smith

Merciful God! Jesus teaches of your generosity to both the last and the first. Whether earning of your love as toddlers or stumbling into belief recently, we belong to you. We are amazed that you love us, not because of our performance, but because you delighted to create us in your image. As we hear your Word, open our hearts to obedience; empower us to live in faith, trusting in your provision moment by moment and reflecting your light and love to others.      *~Dean Clifford*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION .....Evan Sieges

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*~Book of Common Prayer*

### SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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\* Those who are able will stand.

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 16:2-10.....Lucrecia Norman

This is the word of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### CANTICLE

*Surely It Is God Who Saves Me*.....*FIRST SONG*

Terri Vancil, cantor

The congregation is invited to join in singing the refrain.



Sure-ly it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be a-fraid. For the



Lord is my strong-hold and my sure de-fense, and God will be my Sav-ior.

SECOND LESSON: Exodus 16:11-15.....Frank Johnson

This is the word of God.

Deacon of the Week

**Thanks be to God.**

\*GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 20:1-6.....Katharine Martin

*We rise in body or in spirit for the reading of the Gospel lesson.*

Chris Norman

Evan Sieges

This is the Gospel of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN OF THE DAY, No. 39

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*.....*FAITHFULNESS*

CHILDREN'S TIME AND BIBLE PRESENTATION..... Sara Smith

*First graders receiving Bibles today are Sophie Chan, Bella Edwards, Wells Robbins, and Eleanor Tamer.*

One: Receive the Word of God. Learn its stories and study its words. Its stories belong to us all, and these words speak to us all. They tell us who we are. They tell us that we belong to one another, for we are the people of God.

*Children: We receive these Bibles with our hands, our hearts, and our minds. Thank you.*

*We will read and study the Bible together.*

**All: We rejoice in this step in your journey with God. We pray God will guide you, your family, and us as you use this Holy Bible in your home, in your church school classes, and in our worship. We will learn together and grow in our love for God's Word.**

One: The Word of God is a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*~United Methodist Church*

We invite the children, kindergarten through third grade, to remain in worship with their parents.  
Children's Worship is on the first, third, and fifth Sundays of the month.  
Worship Care for infants through 4-year-olds is offered weekly.

SERMON..... Bob Setzer, Jr.

LIVING BY FAITH IS HARD

RESPONDING IN FAITH

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to come forward and the pastor will greet you. Or if you prefer, you may speak to one of the ministers after the service. As an open membership church, we honor your previous baptism in any other Christian community. If you have not made a confession of faith, we invite you to do so by being baptized. Church members are invited to commit themselves anew to God and to God's service in the world.

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE, NO. 65

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*.....CWM RHONDDA

PASTORAL GREETING ..... Bob Setzer, Jr.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER..... Katharine Martin

**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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO GIVING

In response to the bounty of God's blessings to us, we joyfully offer our gifts as we are able and dedicate them to the glory of God. Ushers will receive monetary gifts as our musicians offer the anthem.

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads found on the end of each pew. If you are a guest, and wish to know more about Knollwood, please indicate that on the pad. Thank you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Keep God's Light*..... Mark Patterson  
Youth Choir; Christin Barnhardt, director

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING ..... Frank Johnson

**\*DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* ..... *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**DEPARTING TO SERVE**

**\*BENEDICTION** ..... Bob Setzer, Jr.

**\*POSTLUDE**

*God of Grace*..... *arr. Paul Manz*

Doug Vancil, organ



**TO OUR GUESTS**

To learn more about Knollwood Baptist Church, find us online at [www.knollwood.org](http://www.knollwood.org). Sign up to receive our email announcements through [www.tinyurl.com/KBCinfo](http://www.tinyurl.com/KBCinfo) or by emailing Connie Kirkman at [frontdesk@knollwood.org](mailto:frontdesk@knollwood.org).

**KBC WELCOMING STATEMENT**

Knollwood Baptist Church is an inviting, inclusive family of faith open to all persons, whatever their race, gender, socioeconomic status, special needs, or sexual orientation, who want to walk in the way of Jesus.

**FOR OUR CHILDREN**

Children’s worship pages and worship bags with activities are available in the narthex for children. In the bags are also suggestions and guidance for adults to engage with their children in worship. There is space in the parlor off the narthex for families who may need to step away at any point during the service.

Worship Care is provided for children, infants through 4-year-olds, on the first floor of Building B. Children’s Worship is offered for kindergarten through third grade on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month.

Children meet their leaders in the narthex where indicated in the worship order to walk together to Children’s Worship (B244). After the worship service, parents pick up their children from B244. For the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, children are invited to enjoy the worship service with their families.

**ABOUT OUR WORSHIP**

The acolyte is Samuel Goocey and the crucifer is Steven O’Neill.

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**HEARING DEVICES**

Hearing devices are available to those who need one. Please see an usher for assistance. For cellphone linked devices, KBC guest Wi-Fi can be accessed at *kbcguest* in your settings.

**FLOWERS**

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Peggy T. Edwards by her husband, Tom Edwards, and their children, Cindy E. Taylor, Debbie E. Johnson, and David Edwards.

## ABOUT OUR BANNERS

“The way” is a familiar biblical theme encompassing such truths as “the way of the Lord” (Isaiah 40:3), Jesus as “the way” (John 14:6), and “the way” as a description of Christian discipleship (Acts 9:2). The words on the banner point to the movements of faith: Longing for God that impels us forward in the spiritual journey; Learning the way of the Scriptures and the way of Jesus; Loving as our love for God and our neighbors deepens; and Living as we live out of Christian faith and witness in the world.

The colors of the banner emphasize green for “ordinary time,” the period in the church year between Pentecost and Advent. The artist who designed and painted the banners is our own Bambi Setzer.

## VISIT THE KNOLLWOOD LIBRARY

The Knollwood Library Resource Center, located on the lower level of Building A, is staffed on Sunday mornings 9:15-10:30 and Wednesday afternoons 4:30-5:30. Knollwood members are welcome to browse and borrow anytime Building A is open. Self-checkout and returns are located on one of the center bookshelves. Instructions are posted. Please come enjoy our children’s section and young adult collection, as well as our wide range of fiction, nonfiction, and Bible commentaries. Many audio and video recordings are also available for checkout. For more information, email Beth Starkey at [starkey.beth@gmail.com](mailto:starkey.beth@gmail.com).

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM

### **Sept. 27, Tracing the Image of God: Embodiment, Gender, and our God-Talk, Session Two: What’s the Big Deal with Pronouns?**

We will take a practical look at the meaning and use of pronouns in our everyday lives. Furthermore, we will examine what the use of pronouns says about our understanding of God and its impact on discussions of gender, sexuality, and our ability to trace the image of God in one another.

Interested? Rev. Pettigrew encourages program attendees to read this chapter from *Trans-Forming Proclamation* by Liam M. Hooper before Sept. 27: [www.tinyurl.com/KBCWed0927](http://www.tinyurl.com/KBCWed0927).

## THE SINK LUNCHEON IS FULL

Reservations are full for the 2023 Sink Luncheon on Oct. 3. If you would like to be added to the waitlist, call the church office at 336-725-1343. *If you have already registered and find you need to cancel*, please let the church office know as soon as possible so your place may be offered to someone else.

## NAVIGATING GRIEFLAND

### **Sept. 28-Nov. 16, Thursdays, 10-11:30 AM**

*Navigating GriefLand* is an eight-week grief support group that provides a place for healing. Using a faith-based curriculum developed by minister, counselor, chaplain, and Knollwood member Peggy Haymes, participants will learn about the grief process, and why some of the things we are told about grief may not be helpful or even true. This group is for anyone experiencing any kind of loss, which might include the death of a family member, friend, or pet, the loss of a job, the ending of a friendship, or the loss of health or physical/mental abilities. For more information, visit [www.pinnlead.com/navigating-griefland](http://www.pinnlead.com/navigating-griefland) or email Katharine Martin at [katharine@knollwood.org](mailto:katharine@knollwood.org).

Group size is limited to 15. Katharine Martin and Carol Habegger are the co-leaders. Please register at [www.tinyurl.com/KBCGriefLand](http://www.tinyurl.com/KBCGriefLand)

## TRIMMING OUR TREE! CLASSES

### **Monday, Sept. 25, 6-8 PM | Wednesday, Sept. 27, 4-7 PM | Tuesday, Oct. 3, 1-3 PM**

Middle-school age and up have the opportunity to make clay Christmas ornaments for our KBC Christmas tree. Participants will use cookie cutters and slabs of clay to construct the ornaments. No experience with clay is necessary. The classes, held in the WCC Arts & Hearts room, will be led by Pam Boehme and Rodney Stilwell.

Register at [www.tinyurl.com/KBCTreeTrimClass23](http://www.tinyurl.com/KBCTreeTrimClass23).

## MONTHLY BOOK DISCUSSION FOR PARENTS OF YOUTH

**Sundays, 5:45-6:45 PM, Chapel**

Join us once a month on Sunday evenings to discuss *Growing With: Every Parent's Guide to Helping Teenagers and Young Adults Thrive in Their Faith, Family, and Future* by Kara Powell and Steve Argue. For more information on the book, visit [growingwithbook.com](http://growingwithbook.com).

“As parents, we often feel the gap between us and our kids widening when they become teenagers and young adults. Maybe it's just that they're growing up. But we fear that gap is a symptom that we're growing apart. Filled with brand-new research and real-life stories from remarkable families, *Growing With* shows you how to close the family gap, giving parents courage to take the next faithful step on a mutual journey of intentional growth that trusts God to transform you all.”

We'll gather on the following 2023-24 dates: **Oct 1, Nov 5, Dec 3, Jan 21, Feb 11, Mar 24, Apr 21, and May 19**. Participants will need to acquire their own book copies. A limited number are available in the church office for \$10 each. Register for the group at [www.tinyurl.com/KBCGrowingWith](http://www.tinyurl.com/KBCGrowingWith).

## FAITH IN THE CITY RETURNS

**Tuesday, Oct. 3, noon-1 PM, WCC Community Room**

This fall, the Faith in the City monthly lunchtime series will begin its sixth year of providing a community-wide forum on significant educational equity issues. This year's series will focus on “Education as a Public Good,” exploring the vital role that effective public education plays in healthy communities and democracy.

Rob Schofield, editor of *NC Newslines*, will be this year's kickoff speaker on **Oct. 3**, with the topic “The Urgent Need to Preserve and Improve Public Education.” He will highlight the historical strength of public education in North Carolina and how that strength is being eroded through decreased funding, teacher burnout, and community interference in curriculum and policy decisions.

Faith in the City meets in-person with a Zoom option. The Zoom link is [www.tinyurl.com/FITCOct23](http://www.tinyurl.com/FITCOct23).

Email [faithinthecitykbc@gmail.com](mailto:faithinthecitykbc@gmail.com) for more details or join our Faith in the City KBC Facebook group.

## LIGHT THE NIGHT TO HONOR CHRISSY HARDY

**Saturday, Oct. 7, 5:30 PM, Country Park, Greensboro**

Light the Night is an inspirational, family-friendly community event that raises awareness and funding for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) mission to end cancer. Knollwood member Ginger Burkhead, with the appreciation of the KBC Transition Team, is joining a team this year in memory of Chrissy Hardy, our beloved Director of Children and Family Ministry, who died in June because of acute myeloid leukemia.

For more information, visit the Triad Light the Night webpage at [www.lightthenight.org/events/triad](http://www.lightthenight.org/events/triad).

If you're interested in joining this year's event, reach out to Ginger Burkhead at [gbburkhead@gmail.com](mailto:gbburkhead@gmail.com) or 336-978-3411.

## ARTS & HEARTS: PUMPKIN PAINTING CLASS

**Sunday, Oct. 8, 2-3:30 PM, WCC Arts & Hearts room**

If you dislike the idea of gooey pumpkin carving, join us for a fun and sparkly pumpkin painting afternoon. We will supply the pumpkins, paints, sparkles, and everything you will need to paint your own pumpkin.

This class is for kindergarteners through fifth-graders and will be taught by Pam Stallings. Register at [www.tinyurl.com/KBCPumpkinClass23](http://www.tinyurl.com/KBCPumpkinClass23).

## REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday, 9 AM-5 PM, and Friday, 9 AM-1 PM.

## MINISTER ON CALL:

The Knollwood Minister on Call can be reached 24/7 at 336-283-5067.

**Pastor**  
**Minister of Music and Worship**  
**Music Ministry Associate and Organist**  
**Minister of Adult Faith Formation and Education**  
**Interim Minister to Youth**  
**Interim Minister to Children and Families**  
**Minister to Weekday School and Retirees**

**Director of Children and Family Ministry**  
*In Memoriam*

Dr. Bob Setzer, Jr.  
Rozanna Goocey  
Doug Vancil  
Rev. Katharine Martin  
Rev. Evan Sieges  
Rev. Sara Smith  
Rev. Lucrecia Norman

Chrissy Hardy  
(April 30, 1981–June 20, 2023)



**KNOLLWOOD**

**BAPTIST CHURCH**

*Grace Unbounded*