

<sup>25</sup> And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>26</sup> He said to him, “What is written in the law? How do you read?” <sup>27</sup> And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>28</sup> And he said to him, “You have answered right; do this, and you will live.”

<sup>29</sup> But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” <sup>30</sup> Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup> But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, <sup>34</sup> and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> And the next day he took out two denarii<sup>[a]</sup> and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ <sup>36</sup> Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” <sup>37</sup> He said, “The one who showed mercy on him.” And Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

*Rule of Mercy*

Rev. Gerald Davis

\*CLOSING HYMN

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

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\*BENEDICTION

Rev. Gerald Davis

POSTLUDE

*Allegro*

Pam McNeil, organ

**\*Please stand as you are able.**

*We welcome interim pastor Rev. Gerald Davis to our congregation this morning.*

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# Fifth Sunday After Pentecost



Tryon United Methodist Church

July 13, 2025 • 11:00 A.M.

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*Let the chiming of the hour be the signal for that reverent silence which is the beginning of worship.*

CHIMING OF THE HOURPam McNeil, organ

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linda Robison

PRELUDEPam McNeil, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP (*umcdiscipleship*)Rev. Gerald Davis

Who is my neighbor? **The righteous and the unrighteous, the just and the wicked.**

Who else is my neighbor? **The rich and the poor, the weak and the strong.**

Is anyone else my neighbor? **The great and the small, the arrogant and the humble.**

They are no different than I am! **You must love your neighbor as yourself!**

GREETINGRev. Gerald Davis

OPENING PRAYER (*umcdiscipleship*)Rev. Gerald Davis

**Dear Lord, how often we hear of real-life good Samaritans: those who would give the shirts off their backs, those who would do anything and everything to help people in need. How ashamed we feel when we realize how little we do to seek justice and to alleviate suffering in our world. We are amazed by our own ignorance. We offer our hearts and hands to help, Lord. As we feed the hungry, heal the sick, and shelter the homeless, may we also be fed by your bread of life, healed by your gentle touch, and sheltered by your indescribable love. Amen.**

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRISTRev. Gerald Davis

You are members of God’s beloved community. Greet one another with the peace of Christ.

*As we pass the peace of Christ, greet one another in ways you feel are comfortable for you.*

\*HYMNIesu, Jesu432

PSALTERPsalm 82(*UMH 804*)Linda Robison

God is seated in the divine council; and in the midst of the gods holds judgment;

**“How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?**

Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the afflicted and the needy;

**Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”**

They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

**I said, “You are gods, godlike offspring, all of you;**

Nevertheless you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.”

**Arise, O God, judge the earth, for to you belong all the nations!**

\*A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA (UMH 883)

Linda Robison

**We are not alone; we live in God’s world.**

**We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating,**

**who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,**

**to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the church:**

**to celebrate God’s presence,**

**to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,**

**to proclaim Jesus, crucified and rised, our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.**

**We are not alone.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI (UMH 70)Congregation

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,*

*world without end. Amen. Amen.*

CHILDREN’S MOMENTRev. Gerald Davis

*We set aside this time for Children’s Moment when we have children with us.*

PASTORAL PRAYERRev. Gerald Davis

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*Trespas*)Rev. Gerald Davis

**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. Amen.**

OFFERTORY PRAYERRev. Gerald Davis

OFFERTORY MUSIC*He Is Exalted*Chancel Choir

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!*

*Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*



### **PRAYER LIST 7/13/2025**

**Pray for:** Rockie Alexander, Anna, Ron Bennett, Bill Bowman, Carl Brooks, Terrye Broyhill, Walter, Hilary & Mars Bunn, Layne and Brady Burleson, Margaret Cannon, Rhonda Carpenter, The Cashion Family, Cathy, Liz Chase, Michelle Chromey, Betty Cochran, Breanna Cochran, Janet Cowen, Diane, Dona Jean Dacey, Joshua Dacey, Mark Dacey, Sandra Forney, Roy Greene & Family, Jennifer & Percy Hargett, Ben Harvey, Bobby Henson, Julia and Chris, Judy, Juliet, Mason Lee, Laron “Kelly” Lumpkin, Maria, Maureen, Melony Martin, Miriam McClure, Holly McKee, Jerry Miller, Dell Morgan, Ashley Mould, Betty Neal, Family of Diane Pace, Salley Parker, Everette Palmer, Mike Palmer, Rita Pennypacker & family, Rev. Dr. Mark Ralls, Bob Reynolds, Stephen Sacks, Cindy Shouck, Margaret Steward, Richard Tendam, Bill Vehorn, George Wallace, Hal Wishon

**Armed Forces Prayer List:** Ruairidh (Rory) Coull, Landon Farley, James F. Henson Jr., Harrison Turnage

**Continued prayers for:**

*–All who are dealing with devastation and loss after the local natural disasters. Pray for all of the helpers who are working to restore power and provide clothing, shelter and assistance.*

*–The people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and Haiti and all places experience conflicts and war. Pray for there to be peace and for war to cease. Pray for leaders to seek wisdom. Pray for an end to violence and bloodshed. Pray for all people in all nations to seek and to be instruments of peace.*

*-Unspoken requests for our families and friends who may need prayer support, who are going through various life transitions, who have loved ones with physical or mental health issues, those in abusive relationships.*

*- For those in need of treatment for depression/anxiety.*

*- For those who grieve for loved ones who have passed.*

*- Those who are in transition and contemplating lifestyle changes - moving, retiring, furthering their education.*

*--Gratitude for the Comfort Shawl ladies who provide shawls for so many.*

*-Prayers for families in domestic violence situations*

*-Caregivers needing help caregiving and for all receiving health care treatment.*

*--Caregivers of little children, adult children, parents and friends.*

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