

“STRIVING TO BE THE HANDS AND FEET OF JESUS”

September 13, 2020

Worship 10:00 a.m.

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Preparation Quote: “When you forgive, you in no way change the past – but you sure do change the future.” Bernard Meltzer

Prelude

Welcome and Life Of The Church Pastor Lynn

Centering with Song “I Will Celebrate” Pastor Alexandra

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In Christ, we are made new

All: And filled with hope.

One: In God, we belong to a new community,

All: Discovering we are friends, sisters and brothers in Christ.

One: In Christ, the old ways have lost their glitter and appeal,

All: For we have turned toward the new light.

One: In God, we receive a new name and a new call;

All: We are God's beloved, and we carry on the ministry of reconciliation.

One: In Christ, we are a new creation.

All: The old is passed away, and we live as signs of reconciliation and love.

INVOCATION

Most merciful God, we are an odd assortment of folk as we gather here before you. Some of us are half-asleep. Some of us are careworn. Some of us haven't a clue why we're here. Some of us are hurting or sorry or sad. Some of us are filled with such joy we can hardly sit still. Though all of us are different, all of us need you. By the mystery of your Spirit, draw us as one into the fellowship of your Son. Cleanse and inspire us, energize and equip us for living the lives you have given us. For Jesus sake, Amen.

Prayer Chorus “Abide With Me” Pastor Alexandra

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Lynn

**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.**

Offering Dedication Pastor Lynn

Worship in Song “Revelation Song” Pastor Alexandra

Scripture Matthew 18:21-35 Pastor Lynn

Sermon “Changing the Future” Pastor Lynn

Song of Commitment “God Be With You” Pastor Alexandra

Benediction Pastor Lynn

Postlude



Changing the Future

Prayer Requests: Greg (Sue Hillman's brother), Harry and Esther Hardman, Gordy Lanphere (Marian Clark's brother), Pastor Carl Richter (Pastor in Webster, NY), baby Cora (daughter of Amy Bedell-friend of Carrie Brace), Shannon Matthews, Megan (Patty Hibbard's daughter), Jean Bolander, Mike Chiponis, Billie Jo Darrin, Cindy Colley, Mary Burrows, Harry Hardman, Amy Freidly, Betty Washburn, Bob & Sandy Beard, Eloise Nolan (Natalie Snyder's aunt)

Continuing Prayers: Joe Bunk, Baby Aelin Beck, Joey Frederick (Carrie Brace's son), Carol Shaffer's sister, Lorrie, Mickie Tidlund, Shirley Shelly, Don Calhoun, Paul Biel's wife Theresa, Penny Greene's Aunt Lora, Esther Knapp, Jim Hubbard (Betsy Hubbard's son), Amelia Hillman, Sheila & Duke Burnett, Rod Cady, Sandy Lathrop, Keith and Vyrna Brown (Kim Gleason's parents)

Other: Be in prayer over our national unrest, All those affected by COVID-19.

Remember in Care Facilities

Batavia VA - Dennis Chamberlain
 Brompton Heights (Williamsville) - David Halstead
 Cuba Memorial Hospital - Gene Case
 Eden Heights - Helen Swift, Joanne Guild
 Field of Dreams - Betsy Hubbard, Pauline Comes
 Highland Healthcare (Wellsville) - John Hoagland
 Manor Hills (Wellsville) - Elva Gross

Special Interest Missionaries

David and Joyce Reed, IberoAmerica and Caribbean
 Dan and Sarah Chetti, Lebanon

All those serving in the military, police, firemen, and emergency responders.

All those in and outside of our congregation who may not be listed but need the healing power of the Spirit.

Friend of the Week:

Esther Knapp
 20 Genesee Parkway
 Cuba, NY 14727

Let's send Esther a little note or card wishing her well.

Thank you to our greeters, our tech team, court monitor(s), and ushers for assisting in today's worship service.

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Announcements

- **A special thank you** goes to Anne Brungard for taking backpacks and school supplies over to the school for the children who have not received either.
- **Another special thank you** goes to the Cuba Lake Association for their generous food donations for the Cuba Council of Churches Food Pantry. They donated more this year than last. During the struggle of the pandemic they have shown us how to love thy neighbor.
- The **Rummage Rooms** have decided to remain closed until October. This date too could change depending on the climate of COVID-19. Drop offs are still only by appointment. If you have gently used fall or winter clothing or household items, please contact Melody Hayward (585-968-3606) or Claudia Little (585-968-3061) to set up an appointment. A maximum donation of 4 bags/boxes is in place. If you have summer items or a large donation, we encourage the use of the drop box at the AMVETS.
- A reminder that **The Grief Support** group is meeting via email. If you would like to be included or would like more details, please contact Claudia at claudialittle7@icloud.com.
- **CROP Walk Sunday, October 4, at 1:30 p.m.**
It's not too late! However, money is still being collected until October 12. If you wish to sponsor a walker or simply make a general contribution to the walk, please do so by the October 12. Checks should be payable to CWS/CROP. They can be sent to the church office (label checks CROP Walk in memo), given to a walker, or a credit card can be used on-line at crophungerwalk/cubany.

In addition to supporting improved nutrition, sanitation, and education overseas, your contributions support folks within our own borders. Church World Service uses funds to help those affected by floods, fires, and even Covid-19. Also, our own food bank benefits. Last year we had a great response and CROP added over \$1,000 to our own food bank treasury. Your support is much appreciated!

- **World Mission Offering...** "I once was blind but now I see" Mark 8:22-26. Every September and October, individuals and congregations come together for a time of awareness, advocacy, and action for global mission. Thousands across the country celebrate and support the ministries that God is using to transform the world. This is the World Mission Offering and gifts can be received every month. For the 2020 World Mission Offering, we are highlighting the Ministry Priorities of Discipleship, Theological Education, Peace and Justice, Education, Health and Wellness, and Economic Development. While these represent only a fraction of IM's ministries, they provide a window into what God is doing worldwide through our 125 global servants, 900+ volunteers, home staff, and 250+ international partners.
- **Please note that the church secretary will be in the office the week of September 14-September 18, Monday through Friday 3pm-6pm.**

Last week's Attendance: 17 in person and 15 live video

Weekly Offering Goal: \$2853 – 8/30 \$1150, 9/06 \$2288

*Please consider your giving during this uncertain time. You are able to contribute at <https://cubafirstbaptist.org/donate>. You may also mail in your donations to the church. Checks should be made payable to **Cuba First Baptist**. Thank you.*