

CONCORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH P.O. Box 746 (Vermillion and Church Streets) 109 Vermillion Street Athens, WV 24712 Office Phone: (304) 384-7922 Email: rh2851@bellsouth.net Website: concordathens.org Online Giving : concordathens.org/give Pastor: Rev. Richard Moeller Worship Leader: Elizabeth Muldoon Roots & Wings: Sheila Mann Scripture Reader: Technician: Justin Hill Musician: Elizabeth Muldoon Secretary: Jayne Jones Custodian: Carol McManaway	THIS WEEK AT CONCORD CHURCH <u>Sunday, July 27</u> 10:45 AM – Gathering Time 11:00 AM — Worship; Roots & Wings <u>Thursday, July 31</u> 6:00 PM– Yoga, Upstairs College Room <u>Saturday, August 2</u> 8:00 AM – Men’s Breakfast, Anderson Hall <u>Sunday, August 3</u> 10:45 AM – Gathering Time 11:00 AM — Worship & Holy Communion <u>Tuesday, August 5</u> 12:00 PM – Ladies Afternoon Out, Sisters’ Café, Princeton <u>Thursday, August 7</u> 6:00 PM– Yoga, Upstairs College Room <u>Sunday, August 10</u> 10:45 AM – Gathering Time 11:00 AM — Worship; Roots & Wings
Announcements Princeton Pantry Project – July – We are collecting canned meat (tuna, chicken, etc.). Men’s Breakfast – August 3 @ 8:00 am in Anderson Hall. Ladies Afternoon Out – August 5 @ noon at Sisters Café in Princeton. We will leave the parking lot at 11:30 am. Flood Buckets - Please help by writing a check to the church or by making an online donation on our secure website. Disaster Response fund numbers for the WV Conference of the UMC: #920 WV Flood Relief/Disaster Response #922 New Vision Depot Help Wanted – Worship Leaders * Scripture Readers * Children’s Moment. Please use the sign-up sheet in the Anchor Room.	



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Seek God’s Will ~ Teach God’s Love ~ Serve God’s World

Sunday, July 27, 2025

7th Sunday after Pentecost

ENTRANCE

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

***Call to Worship**
Children of God, when the journey ahead seems long and hard, full of unknown dangers and all-too-real risks, remember:
>Keep the faith. God, who made us alive, is our Guardian and Guide.
When the voices on the side of the road tempt us with their misinformation full of unearned certainty, simple solutions, and quickness to blame and shame those who disagree with them, remember:
>Stay the course. God, who made us alive, is our Wisdom and Judge.
When those in power place barriers in our way, making it harder to share the love of God in our communities, trying to convince us it is easier to do nothing than remain firm in God’s call to act for the flourishing of all our neighbors, remember:
>Do not be afraid. God, who made us alive, is our Strength and our Advocate.
Children of God, come! Let us worship God, whose persistent love empowers us to persevere, to stay the course, to live by faith and not fear.
>Come, let us worship God, who makes us alive, through grace to love and serve God and one another.

***Morning Hymn:** *How Firm a Foundation (UMH 529)*

Roots & Wings Dismissal

Prayers of the People
Together, let us pray for
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

*Please stand as you are able.

Pastoral Prayer

Now, with the confidence of God’s people, may we pray together the Lord’s Prayer.

>The Lord’s Prayer (UMH 895)

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

Psalter Reading: Psalm 14:1-7 (UMH 746-747)

Offering and Offertory Music

*Doxology, Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (UMH 94)
*Offertory Prayer

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Acts 8: 28-40 (New Testament, pew Bible pages 127)

Message: *Cut Off or Pruned?*

John 15: 1-8 (New Testament, pew Bible pages 109)

SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (UMH 140)

*Benediction



Pray for: Sick and shut-in members; The United Methodist Church; Bishops; District Superintendents; Pastors; the President; the Governor; the military and their families; world leaders and elected officials; and pray for peace.

Military Personnel: Tom Bone IV and Andy Walker

June 29: Greg B., prayers for Aunt Dreama B.; Joyce M.’s sister Deana, praying for Joyce and Richard hosting their family reunion; Sheila M. prayers for her friend Kevin, who is trying to get home from Israel with a group of students; Linda P., prayers for Carrie P., who is battling breast cancer and kidney failure; Scott I., prayers for the new president of Concord University; Kathy F., continued prayers for Lorin A. and Susan P., and for Jack B., who has a brain tumor, and for Todd B., who is recovering from a stroke; Tom B., having tests on Tuesday; Michele W., her aunt Sheila C., is battling colon cancer; Scott I., prayers for the Hawkes family for the loss of their son; Elizabeth M., prayers for Frank M. and the family for the loss of his wife Collin M.

July 6: Tom B., please pray for Pastor Richard as he leads a memorial service today, and for him and his wife Joyce as they welcome family members during back-to-back family reunions. Pray for the people in Central Texas who have experienced severe flooding. Joe M., pray for our country. Greg B., continued prayers for Aunt Dreama. It is a joy to see her doing much better and working on her therapy.

July 13: From Sheila M., Jerry B. is hospitalized with blood pressure issues; from Joyce M., for her sister who is getting out of the hospital after some pulmonary issues; from Matt T., for family and friends of Arnold P., a beloved neighbor who passed away; from Laura B., for Melissa S., undergoing test for possible cancer; from Richard M., thanks to Tom B. for filling in as worship leader last Sunday.

July 20: Sheila M., joy that Nancy M. provided the new name for Children’s Church, “Roots and Wings;” Sheila, joy that her grandson Connor has landed a job as a rocket scientist with Blue Origins in Seattle; Jerry B., grateful for prayers, support, and medical science that has helped his recovery from pulmonary issues; Kathy F., glad that Greg and Lisa G. were worshiping with us, after Lisa attended her high school reunion in Bluefield; Laura B., prayers for Melissa, who had a non-cancerous tumor removed and is in pain; Kathy F., for Lorin A., whose leukemia has returned; prayers for our nation and its leaders; Richard M., happy that Carrie, Krystine, Harbor and Banks are visiting.

(Prayer requests will be listed here for four weeks.
First names and last initials are used with details omitted to protect privacy).

* Please stand as you are able.

** The Lectionary: Daily Readings may be found on our website at concordathens.org