

OPEQUON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

INFORMATION FOR OUR GUESTS

WELCOME! This historic church began worship on these grounds in 1732 and was organized in 1736. We are dedicated to "prayerfully equipping disciples of all generations to be Christ's hands, heart and feet in the world." We are strengthened today by your presence whether guest or member. Go forth, blest and renewed because you were here this day! To get the most out of your visit, may we recommend you familiarize yourself with the following:

- **We encourage you to share requests for prayer.** You may do so by completing the pink **form found in the pew rack and placing it in the offering.**
- **Trust your children to the care of our dedicated, loving workers!** The nursery rooms are located through the Gathering Area, down the Gallery and through the Dell Room. An usher will be happy to escort you. Our nursery ministry cares for infants and toddlers to age three.
- **Worship Bags are available for children ages 3-kindergarten.** These bags, located in the back of the Sanctuary, should not be taken to Children's Worship. Please return the bag and supplies to the bin when you are leaving.
- **Look forward to taking part in a Sunday School class each week.** Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday. There are classes for all ages and interests.
- **Restrooms and a coat rack** are located off the Gathering Area, just outside the Sanctuary.
- **A water fountain** is located off the Gathering Area.
- **Large-print hymnals, Bibles and bulletins** are available from an usher.
- **Personal hearing assistance devices** are available from an usher if you would like to use one.
- **Transportation can be provided to worship.** Call the church office, 662-1843, before 12:30 p.m. on Friday.

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SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

May 15, 2016

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**The Day of Pentecost
Confirmation Sunday**

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *Prelude on "Munich"*

Please use this time to prepare for the worship of God.

Please complete the Friendship folder and pass it along during the greeting.

PRAYER REQUEST forms are inside the pew racks—please place in offering plate.

†All who are able, please stand.

Bold print—all respond

THE CHURCH BELL RINGS

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE OF THE WORD AND THE LIGHT

†GATHERING SONG NO. 408 (v. 1)..... *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The day has come, and we are together; let us face bravely into the winds of God.

We are listening for the sounds from heaven; we hear the rush of a violent wind.

Surely God is in this place! How manifold are the works of God!

The Spirit of God fills us with amazement. God sets us afire with wonder and awe.

We will sing to God as long as we live; we will celebrate the gifts of God.

Together we are members of one body; all have been baptized by the Spirit.

†HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 289 *On Pentecost They Gathered*

(Please be seated for prayer)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us come before God with contrite hearts, acknowledging our sin and trusting in forgiveness.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Without your power, promise, and purpose, O God, we are lost. We have done the things we would avoid, and what you desire, we have not done. By your purifying fire, transform our lives; guide us into honesty and compassion so that, filled with your peace, our dreams and visions may be one with yours; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

MOMENTS OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Brothers and sisters, hear this good news: Despite our failings, God is here, and God has poured out God’s spirit on all flesh. We are united, we are made clean, and we are free to dream new dreams for this broken world. Thanks be to God!

LITANY OF PARDON

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

†THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 443 (v. 1) *There Is a Redeemer*

†PASSING OF THE PEACE (Please share this prayer with those near you.)

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

ANTHEM

Ev’ry Time I Feel the Spirit Lloyd Larson

Ev’ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray. Upon the mountain my Lord spoke. Out of his mouth came fire and smoke. All around me looks so fine and I ask my Lord if all was mine. The Jordan River runs chilly and cold, body but not the soul. Ain’t but one train upon this track, it runs to heaven and right back. Ev’ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray. I’ll pray!

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 11:1-9Pew Bible p. 8

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 2:1-21.....Pew Bible p. 885

A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN “Voices to Praise God”

Nursery (Ages Infant – Age 3)

†HYMN NO. 691 *Lord, When I Came into This Life*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN NO. 488 *I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry*

†THE DOXOLOGY (Hymnal No. 606) AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER FOR OUR CONFIRMATION/COMMISSIONING SEEKERS (8:30)

†Affirmation of Faith (8:30, Hymnal p. 35)..... The Apostles' Creed

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION AND COMMISSIONING (11:00)

Presentation of the Candidates

Words of Scripture

Profession of Faith

Promise of the Congregation

†Affirmation of Faith (Hymnal p. 35)..... The Apostles' Creed

†Sacrament of Baptism

Confirmation Prayer

Laying on of Hands and Candle Ritual

Charge to the Newly Confirmed and Commissioned

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal p. 35, we say "debts" and "debtors" in the prayer)

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Communion Music *As the Wind Song*.....Susan Homan, Soloist

You Are Mine..... David Witt, Soloist

Communion Prayer

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

†HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 280 *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us*

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 748 *Go with Us, Lord*

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to you.**

†POSTLUDE

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY

8:30 a.m.

Beadle: Dom Cafaro
Bell Ringer: Mo Mohler
Greeters: Pat DeButts, Nancy Rodgers
Hospitality: Ina & Robert Walker
Liturgist: Vicki Schmidt Crites
Ushers: Terry Hartman, Heide Mohler, Carroll Youngblood

11:00 a.m.

Acolyte: Addison Williams
Beadle: Bill Robinson
Bell Ringer: Kristin Blake, Bailey Cooper, AnnMarie & James Kelly
Greeter: Brenda & Clayton Carbaugh
Hospitality: Nancy Lloyd
Liturgist: Rebekah Witt
Nametags: Nancy Rodgers
Ushers: Jason Brown, Andy Homan, Griffin Hott,
Addison Williams, Joel Witt

COMMUNION TODAY IS BY INTINCTION

We will come forward to the communion table to receive the sacrament by intinction. Each section of pews should move to the left as directed by the ushers. Gluten-free bread and gluten free grape juice (blue cup) is available in the center section; please see an usher for assistance. Please tear off a piece of bread and then dip it in the cup of grape juice, eating immediately. Then return to your seat by the right aisle. Serving at 8:30 are: Graham Taylor, Jean Smith, Dick & Sandy Widell, Jay Tibbs, and Sandy Vess.

Serving at 11:00 are: Mitch & Pam Orndorff, Nathan Windle, Leslie Tucker, Stuart Williams and Robin Owens.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 15-22, 2016

TODAY

- 8:30 a.m.: Pentecost Morning Worship, Communion, Pentecost Offering
9:45 a.m.: Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 a.m.: Pentecost Morning Worship, Confirmation-Commissioning, Communion, Pentecost Offering
12:15 p.m.: Confirmation-Commissioning Reception—Gathering Area
1:00 p.m.: Presbyterian Youth Connection—Slip & Slide Kickball
3:30 p.m.: PS 150 Rehearsal—Memorial Sanctuary

THIS WEEK

- Monday: ESL—7:00 p.m.—Fellowship Hall
Tuesday: Adult Trip to Cacapon –10:00 a.m.
WATTS Board Strategic Planning—5:30 p.m.—Fellowship Hall
Session Meeting—7:00 p.m.—Bageant Room
Wednesday: Newsletter Deadline
Staff Meeting—9:30 a.m.—Bageant Room
Winchester Newcomers—10:00 a.m.—Fellowship Hall
TVOR Lunch Bunch—12:00 Noon
Choir Practice—7:00 p.m.—Sanctuary
20s & 30s Dodgeball—7:00 p.m.—Body Renew
Thursday: Scout Pack 1—7:00 p.m.
Scout Troop 1—7:00 p.m.—Assembly Room
Saturday: Men's Lectio Divina—8:00 a.m.—Bageant Room
Interfaith Habitat Build
RFL Luminary Decorating—10:00 a.m.—Fellowship Hall
WATTS Food Truck Rodeo—3:00 p.m.—OakCrest Realty

NEXT SUNDAY—Trinity Sunday

Morning Worship—8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School for All Ages—9:45 a.m.
Psalm 8, John 16:12-15

Fellowship Reception Between Worship Services, Blood Pressure Screenings,
Four Cents A Meal, Fair Trade Coffee, Honoring High School Graduates (11:00)
Church Picnic – "Get Your Grill On!" –12:15 p.m.
Mission Trip Meeting—2:00 p.m.—Youth Spot

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Bill Kron
Stanley Lickey
Birchenough/Channing Family
Denise Weidele
Lanette Ordon
Carol Tubbs & Family
Don Wilson
Hank Agreggaard
John & Lauren Loftis (Wedding)
Robert Weidele
Kevin Paquette
Anna Gerringer
Gene Fish
Jill Call
Wanda Royston
Donna Coffman

Mary Ann Leon
Mo Carr
Gary Snap
Rozann Evers
Roy Bayliss
Mettu, Ethiopia
Donna Klinefelter
Cyndi Taylor
Barbara Spitznogle
Daniel Coolidge
Patricia & Ray Ferguson
Terry & Diane Sinclair
Dom Cafaro
Clay Knick
Carolyn Newman
Doug Pittsnogle

Dorothy Rogers
Colleen McMurdo
Jane Lewis
Gretchen Cooley
Paula Tobin
Natalie Miller
Frank Vardeman
Dottie Edwards
Larry Matthews
Doug Koch
Michael Keister
Illubabor Bethel Synod of
Church Mekane Yesus
People Looking for Work &
Challenged by the Economy

ATTENDANCE, SUNDAY, May 8, 2016:

8:30 a.m.—92

Sunday School— 86

11:00 a.m.—122

Open Door—35

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICE

Taylor McMurdo, Greg Sousa, Scott Sydnor, Jerry Morgan and their families.

NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S WORSHIP

- ❖ The communion bread this morning was lovingly prepared and baked by our Confirmation Class and leaders.
- ❖ The communion napkins this morning were made by our sisters of the Illubabor Bethel Synod (IBS) of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus and display the EECMY cross.
- ❖ Following 11:00 a.m. worship, please join us in the Gathering Area at a Fellowship Reception in honor of our Confirmation Class and their families.

PYC NEWS

FINAL PYC – TODAY, 1:00-3:00 p.m.—Slip-'N-Slide Kickball!!!

Upcoming Summer Youth Events:

Hiking Trip – Thursday, June 9th, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00/4:00 p.m.

Hershey Park – Thursday, July 7th, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00/5:00 p.m.

Church-Wide Nationals Baseball Game—Friday, August 5th, 4:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m.

Details and Sign Up Info Coming Soon!

July 17-22—Mission Trip to Asheville, NC—Rising 7th Graders through
Graduating 12th Graders

'RED BALLOON DAY' WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

In celebration of Pentecost today, our preschool-5th grade children will enjoy the RED BALLOON DAY Workshop in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. Of course, there will be RED Balloons, surprises in a box, the Pentecost story, a game to find the hidden Disciples, and CUPCAKES to complete the celebration! We welcome all Opequon children to join in this exciting workshop time designed especially for KIDS!

IT IS CONFIRMATION DAY!

Congratulations and WELCOME to our eight young people who are being confirmed and commissioned as members of the Church today! These young people began their Confirmation journey with an orientation back in August and began meeting weekly in September for class sessions and additional experiences. They each shared a final written paper last Sunday about their personal faith and serving as Christ's disciple and we are excited for this celebration today. Please welcome into Opequon's membership **Jenna Arnoldy, Anna Buonocore, Maggie Heishman, Nicholas Hott, Reagan Newhouse, Bryce Williams, McKenna Williams, and Natalie Youngblood.** You are invited to join them and their families at the reception in their honor following the 11:00 a.m. service.

ADULT TRIP TO WINTERBERRY IRIS GARDEN TUESDAY

This is a perfect springtime trip! Those who have signed up for the trip to the Iris Garden and lunch at the Cacapon Lodge are asked to meet at church by 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday. Bring some sunshine with you and get ready to see what is in BLOOM! It will be a colorful day. Goody bags provided for the journey!

WALL OF ENVELOPES

The PYC Youth invite you to show your love for our youth by prayerfully supporting us in our Wall of Envelopes Project. All proceeds will support summer PYC trips (Youth Mission Trip, Conferences, Retreats) and local mission projects including Motel Ministry. As individuals or in groups with others, please choose an envelope and give the amount on the envelope. Please place the envelope in the box below the Wall of Envelopes, or place in the offering plate. We welcome donations of any amount, every little bit helps! Envelopes are \$1-\$100, and some "bonus" envelopes valued at \$250, \$500, or \$1,000.

GET ON BOARD for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL—TWO WEEKS LEFT TO REGISTER

With the warm season of summer awaiting us, we are gearing up for our SURF SHACK Vacation Bible School week, June 12-16, 4:30-7:30 p.m. each evening. VBS week at Opequon is always a thrilling and exuberant time, so we don't want you to miss it; whether you have young children or youth who can participate in all the fun, or you are an older youth or adult who can lend some helping hands during the week. Stop by the SURF SHACK and fill out a volunteer form and/or registration form. Now is the time! Invite your friends too-take a registration form for them. **Registration is open until June 1.** We will be 'catching and riding' the waves of God's amazing love with exciting nightly themes and events. See you at the SHACK! **Special Note: A wonderful adult class is available 6:30-7:30 p.m. each night of VBS week. Blue registration forms are available at the shack.**

FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE NEWS

Patty Klinefelter and her assistants will provide blood pressure screening next Sunday after 8:30 worship and before and after 11:00 worship. Thanks to everyone who participated by donating their time, blood and food items for last week's blood drive. We successfully collected **23** units of blood!

“GET YOUR GRILL ON” CHURCH WIDE PICNIC NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 22

YOU are invited to the all-church picnic NEXT Sunday, May 22 following 11:00 worship. Come on down to the picnic shelter where the hamburgers and hotdogs will have been grilled for you and all the fixings are there to make them taste just to your liking. Many of us are dreaming of summer, so let's enjoy the comfort of the picnic shelter and the great outdoors for a congregational picnic. The hamburgers, hotdogs, buns, condiments, chips and drinks will be provided. You are invited to bring a side dish to share: **fruit, salad, vegetable, dessert.** For any who are up to it, a big kickball game will follow lunch. If you don't want to play, stay and watch those who do! This event is sponsored by the Christian Education Ministry Team and we are excited to get the picnic season going!

FEATURING OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Be sure to take a look at the bulletin board in the coat rack area outside the Sanctuary where our 2016 High School Graduates are being featured this month. They are each awaiting their upcoming graduation ceremonies and we certainly celebrate with them. Congratulations to each of these young people. WE will be honoring our high school graduates at 11:00 a.m. worship next Sunday. They have much to be proud of and have accomplished so much. It is a privilege to celebrate with them.

Upcoming Mission Opportunities:

Being Christ's hands, heart, & feet in the world

Habitat for Humanity - Interfaith Build—This Saturday, May 21st

Opequon has signed up for a Saturday Workday as a part of the Interfaith Build. Come help the faith community build a house for a family in need.

Sign up with Kevin - associate@opequonchurch.com

Habitat for Humanity - Rock the Block! Saturday, June 18th

Habitat is having a city-wide day of service; join the Opequon team in being a part of this community-wide rebuilding project!

COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS

The Community Garden is looking for volunteers to help with watering, weeding and harvesting starting June 6. You don't have to have a green thumb to help! Please visit signupgenius.com/go/opc_garden to view the calendar and sign up to help. Or you can sign up on the list in the Gathering Area. Have questions? Please contact Leslie Tucker (lesliehtucker@verizon.net) or Clare Milburn (milburncm@appstate.edu).

Young Adult - 20's & 30's News

For all Young Adults in their 20's and 30's in all stages of life
(young professionals, newlyweds, married with kids, college students, graduate students)

Young Adults Sport & Social – Dodgeball

Wednesday, May 18th – 7:00 p.m. Come cheer us on!

Young Adult Social—Thursday, May 26th, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Location: TBA

Wiffle Ball - Signup now, starts June 8th - mid-July

-Talk to Kevin for details.

Save the Date - Young Adult Brunch after Worship

Sunday, July 10th, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

In Remembrance

GEORGE EVAN TUBBS

NOVEMBER 24, 1934-MAY 5, 2016

“I am the resurrection and the life,” says the Lord. “Those who believe in me shall live, even though they die, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.”

John 11:25-26

GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST

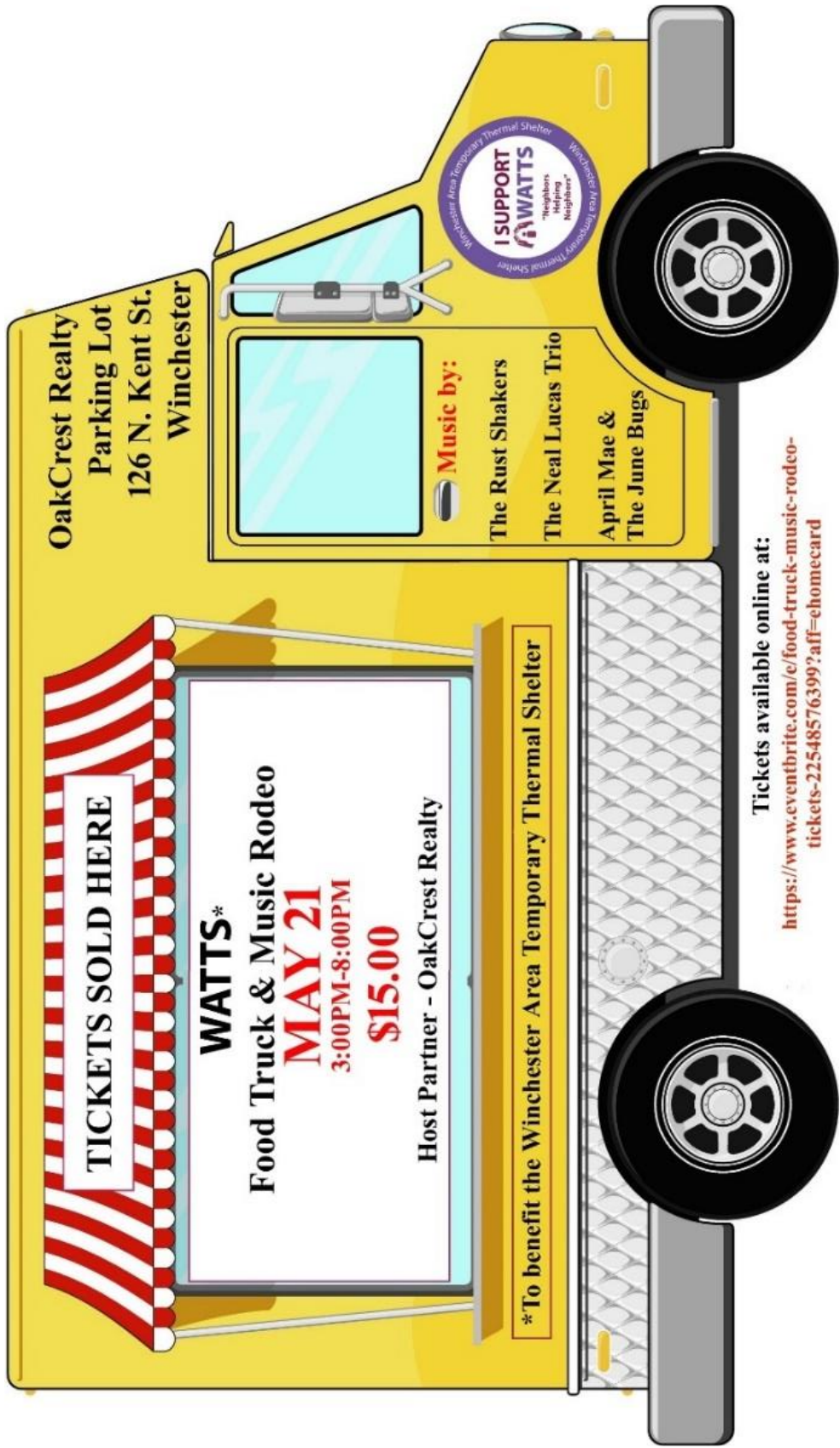
<u>In Memory Of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
My Wife, Winnie Clevenger -----	Charlie Clevenger
Allen & Mabel DeHaven -----	Nadine DeHaven
Bob Dobler -----	Betty Dobler
Kitty, Robert, and Robbie Hockman-----	Robin Eddy
Katherine "Kitty" Edwards -----	Dottie & Ward Edwards
Arthur & Vivien Fulton, Isaac & Augusta Isner-----	Arthur & Martha Fulton
Home Hack & Winifred Clevenger -----	Anne Hack
Seth Snawder, John H. Lewis, Jr., John & Adalene Hess -----	John & Peggy Hess
Our Parents -----	Bud & Becky Proctor
Tom & Ruth Boyer -----	Dave & Ruth Richards
My Loved Ones -----	Hazel Spriggs
Our Sisters -----	Gary & Stella Strickler
My Sister, Betty Melton -----	Shirley Tomblin
My Son, Terry Strosnider & My Husband, Peter Zalonis -----	Hilda A. Zalonis

<u>In Honor Of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
Amber Fernandez -----	Robin Eddy
Nancy M. Lewis -----	John & Peggy Hess
My Grandchildren Brooke, Clay & Lauren -----	Shirley Tomblin
Our Confirmation-Commissioning Class -----	Carole & David Witt

To The Glory of God

Juliet, Stanley & Joshua Batcha
Paula & Mac McNichols

Karen & Ramon Jones
Tom & Rhoda Tandy



Tickets available online at:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/food-truck-music-rodeo-tickets-22548576399?aff=ehomecard>