



## **A NOTE FROM REV. SARA:**

There has been a generosity from the Hibben community during the past twelve months that an expression of appreciation does not fully address.

But an expression of appreciation is where I must begin as I rebound to retirement. I've called you resilient but you have also been gracious.

Thank you for these past months opportunity of ministry.

It has been joyful for me. Steve and I returned to the vibrancy of the ministry and you allowed us to make us a difference in God's Kingdom with you.

I commend The Reverend Cathy Mitchell to you and have commended you to her. You are fortunate to have such leadership and she is fortunate to have such disciples of Jesus Christ.

And Steve and I are fortunate to have the promise of our retirement. You cannot look over the mountains of western NC and eastern Tennessee and not realize that while there are greater things than you that God's care encompasses the great and the small.

Sylva, NC has been second home to us since 2002 and we look forward to the time where it is first!

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 14, 2026**

**Prelude**

**Jesús Toro**

**Gathering and Welcome**

**Rev. Sara White**

*You are encouraged to sign the Pew Register, then pass it to all in your row. As it goes back to where it started, you will have the opportunity to make note of those seated with you. If you are visiting, we would like to send you a card, text or email. It would be a pleasure to know you!*

**\*Call to Worship**

**Rev. Sara**

As we gather, we come together as people of the cross and resurrection. We come as children of the Father reconciled by grace through the Son

**And filled with God's love through the Spirit.**

**\*Hymn**

**TFWS 2130**

*The Summons*

**New Testament Lesson**

**Rev. Katie Brock Lesh**

Romans 5: 1-8

**Prayer of the People & The Lord's Prayer**

**Rev. Katie**

**SPRC Presentation**

**Tim Ristau, SPRC Chair**

**Offertory**

Rev. Steve Gaither

**\*Festival Doxology**

**UMH 94**

**Children's Moment**

**Amanda Moore**

**\*Hymn**

**UMH 480**

*O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

**\*Gospel Reading**

**Rev. Katie**

Matthew 9:35-10:23

**Sermon**

**Rev. Sara**

*Jesus Never Said*

**Anthem**

**arr. J. Tonioli**

*Trying to Be Like Jesus*

Alex Lim - Violin, Jesús Toro - Piano

**The Communion**

**Prayer of Confession**

God hears our voices and our supplications. We can call on God in all our joys, doubts, successes, and failures. Knowing that God will listen let us confess:

**God of our salvation, incline your ear to us. You have given us great power: power to heal, to bring hope, to comfort, to restore. But we ignore that power, choosing to live our own lives. In our worst, we abuse that power, storing up riches for ourselves without an eye for the needs of others.**

**Forgive us, remind us of our call to proclaim your good news, and to welcome each other as we would welcome you.**

The ancient words still bring forth truth today:  
**While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Praise be to God for this abounding love!**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Creator God, You cause all things to live in every season. In the change of our live seasons...

And so the whole creation declares You:

**Holy!**

Heaven and earth declare You:

**Lord of heaven and earth! Alleluia!**

In Your Son Jesus Christ ... This is the essence of the mystery we proclaim in Jesus Christ:

**Christ died. Christ rose from the dead. Christ will come again.**

### **Words of Institution**

#### **Prayer for the Holy Spirit**

Breath of God, help this table to be for us the gate of transformation into the full life of Your Church, full life together and full ministry to all your world. In the body and blood of Jesus make the One greater than ever dreamed and true to the future You alone create.

**Amen.**

#### **Giving of the Bread and Cup**

*Ushers will guide you to receive, Gluten Free available.*

#### **Prayer After Receiving**

#### **\*Hymn**

**UMH 261**

*Lord of the Dance*

#### **\*Charge and Benediction**

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here I am; send me!" **Amen.**

May the blessing of the Triune God-holy, holy, holy Lord-be with you now and always. **Alleluia!**

#### **\*Postlude**

**Jesús Toro**

*Please join us in the narthex for a reception to honor Rev. Sara White's service to Hibben, following the service.*

*Today's Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by:  
The Cook Family in honor of Tom and June Cook's Wedding anniversary,  
Lee and Philip Hoffman in memory of Shelley Hoffman,  
and by the Hibben Staff in honor of Rev. Sara White's service to Hibben.*

## Praise & Prayer Request

Craig and Linda Rhyne  
Frankie Collins  
Betty Staples  
Carla Bedenbaugh  
Esther Burlison  
Peggy Mitchem

If you have a prayer request or are interested in joining the prayer team, please contact the church office.

All are welcome!



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Attendance & Giving -

June 7, 2026

Morning Worship

In Person - 10:30 - 153

Online - households 25

2026 General Budget - \$1,010,278.00

Received thru 5/31/26 - \$435,574.34

Expenses thru 5/31/26 - \$368,933.51

Online Giving: [hibbenumc.org/give](https://hibbenumc.org/give)

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9am - 4pm

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Hibben  
Happenings  
For the week of  
June 14

We encourage you to take this happenings sheet home and place it on your fridge as a reminder of all of the activities and missions of Hibben!

## Mark Your Calendars

### Rev. Sara Departure

#### Celebration

Today

After worship in Narthex

Basket for well wishes (cards or notes) will be available.

### Rev. Cathy Welcome

#### Celebration

June 28

Stand up reception in the CLLC

Please prepare an Appetizer/  
Finger food.

Drop off between 11am and  
12pm on June 27 or  
After 9am on June 28.

Contact Nancy Blocker for info!

### Middle and High School

#### Youth Group

Every Sunday from 5pm - 7pm

In the CLLC Youth Room

### VBS

Snowball Mountain Challenge

June 22-25

Contact Amanda Moore  
for Details!



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phone to find all the  
links from  
this bulletin.



## **Operation Christmas Child**

The OCC team is assembling shoeboxes. We are in need of: 100 stuffed animals (Beanie Baby size). When school supplies go on sale, we need the following for our pencil packs: 1150 Notebooks, 200 twenty-four pack crayons, pencils, small sharpeners, erasers (large and cap), 6" rulers, colored pencils, and children's scissors. Please bring them to the church- the OCC cubby is by the office. Thank you!

## **NC Mission Trip**

We are headed to the mountains to help our NC neighbors!

Date: Sunday, July 19 through Friday, July 24

If you are interested in finding out more please contact Mike Moran (843)697-3500 or Jennifer Roberts (843)270-1161 by Saturday, June 20.

## **Florence Crittenton - Now Young Moms Together**

Thank you so much for your continuing support of the young women at Young Moms Together. Through your help, these young women receive medical care, continue their education, learn to care for their babies, find jobs and eventually are moved into housing. Donations can be brought to the church and left in the cubbies in the lobby outside the church office. Ongoing needs include diapers, wipes, baby clothes (clean, gently used or new,) board books, and baby equipment. Monetary donations welcome. If you have any questions please call Donna Johnson at (336) 404-6734.