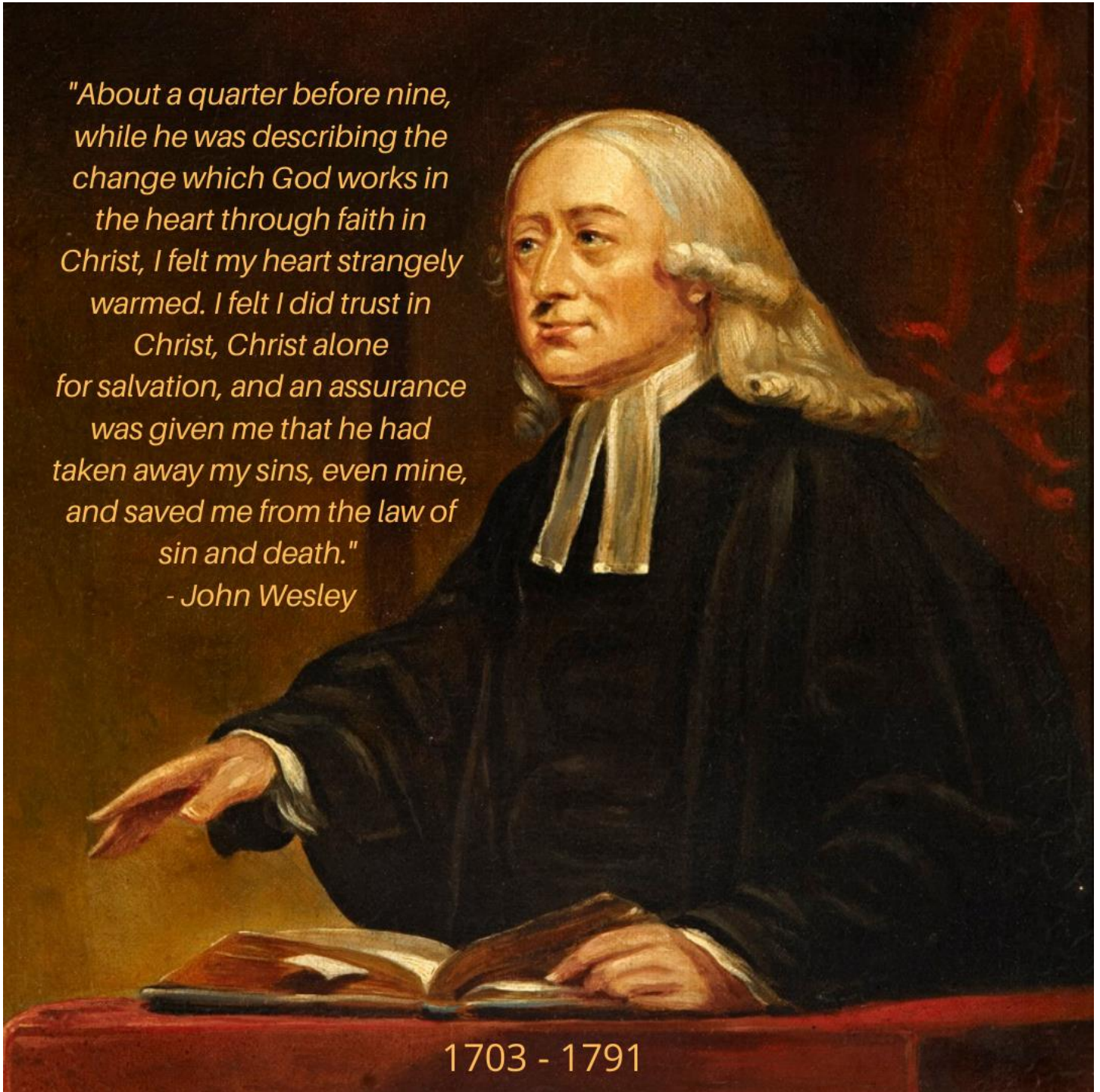


*"About a quarter before nine,
while he was describing the
change which God works in
the heart through faith in
Christ, I felt my heart strangely
warmed. I felt I did trust in
Christ, Christ alone
for salvation, and an assurance
was given me that he had
taken away my sins, even mine,
and saved me from the law of
sin and death."
- John Wesley*



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Announcements for Missions and Ministry

Choral Call to Worship *Lord of All Hopefulness*Jan Struther

Call to Worship

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Rejoice in your salvation.

People: **We will sing to God who has dealt bountifully with us.**

Leader: Let us pray together:

Lord of hope, when the dark clouds assail, you ask us to bear the light of your love and truth. When fears seem to immobilize us, you give us courage and strength to bear your witness. We thank you for your call to us. We praise you for your sustaining love for us. We honor you with our lives and our service to you; for it is in Christ's Name, we offer this prayer. AMEN.

Hymn *Here I Am, Lord* 593 UMH, verses 1 & 3

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

(refrain) Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide, till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

(refrain)

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

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 that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

We Worship with God's Tithes and our Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory *His Eye Is on the Sparrow*Civilla Martin/Charles H. Gabriel

Scripture Matthew 6:25-34, Matthew 11: 28

Sermon "My Hope is Built" Rev. Kelley Groce

A Prayer of Hope

Hymn *My Hope is Built* 368 UMH, verses 1 & 3

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

(refrain) On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand:

All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood.

When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.

(refrain)

Benediction of Action and Blessing

All: God of peace and mercy, send us into your world with confident joy. Help us to reach out to others and care for them as you always care for us. AMEN.

Choral Benediction *You Are Mine* David Haas

Our Sympathy to the families of the four young people who died in a car accident this week in Guilford County.

The Prayer Chain has received requests to pray for the following people: Linda and Harold Billings daughter, Laura Gardner, and grandson, Jack Gardner, who have tested positive for COVID-19 *without* symptoms, and for their granddaughter, Abby Gardner, who tested positive *with* symptoms of cough and headache. Pray for Betty Durham's daughter, Mandy Durham, Charles Gordon, Dot Frye, Robert Hemphill, Frank York, Trudy Sillmon, Sally Goin, and Bianca York's mother, Rachel Flores. Pray for Barbara Grey, Teresa John's mom. Pat Gunn had surgery on June 25. Pray for Kim Self, Larry Swindell's niece, she has a blood clot in her brain. Also pray for Margaret Turnage's brother, Hugh Burton, and Becky Ensign's father-in-law, Chuck Sartore, who is improving. Prayer for Anita Trumpler-Rich's husband, Charles, who had a minor procedure on June 18. Pat Stevenson is scheduled for hip surgery on August 5, please keep her in your prayers.

If you have a prayer concern, please contact the church office at 336-299-9643 or call Kelley at the parsonage. Let us know if the concern may be shared with the congregation or only with the pastoral staff.

Bible Study – Tuesday, June 30 at 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM, using Zoom, we will finish our study of the Psalms. If you would like to join us, send an email to kgroce@wnccumc.net to receive an email invitation to Zoom. You may also listen in by phone. Contact the church if you would like to participate 336-299-9643. Our next bible study will be on Romans beginning August 4. We will let you know if we need to continue with Zoom meetings, or if we can be socially distant and meet at the church. That decision will be made in July.

June & July Mission Focus - We are focusing on food scarcity throughout the months of June & July. Please consider sending a donation, above and beyond your usual monthly pledge, to support Out of the Garden Project. You may make your check payable to Centenary UMC and put "Out of the Garden Project" on the memo line. You may do this in honor or in memory of a loved one and it will be recognized in the July or August *Centenarian*. Mail your check to Centenary UMC, 2300 W. Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC 27403.

Wednesday Prayer Group – Wednesdays from 5:00-5:30 PM join by phone or Zoom meeting to pray for our church and the world. Contact Kelley at 336-285-5081 or by email at kgroce@wnccumc.net, if you would like to participate.