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Men of Third Street Presbyterian Church  
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### The Train of Life

Life is like a journey on a train, with its stations,  
Change of routes, differing scenes, and accidents!  
At birth we boarded the train and met our parents,  
And we believed they would always travel at our side.  
However, at some station down the line our parents  
stepped off,  
Leaving the train and us alone to continue on our own.  
As time passed, other people boarded the train;  
And they were significant: siblings, friends, children,  
And even the Love of our life.  
Many will step down and leave a permanent vacuum.  
Others will go so unnoticed that we didn't realize  
That they had vacated their seats.  
This train ride will be full of joy, sorrow, fantasy,  
Expectations, hellos, goodbyes, and farewells.  
Success consists of having a good relationship with all the  
Passengers ... requiring that we give the best of ourselves.  
The mystery to everyone is: we don't know at which station  
We ourselves will be asked to step off. So we must live  
In the best way – Love, forgive, and offer the best of whom  
We are. It is important to do this, because when the time  
Comes for us to exit, leaving our seat empty, we should  
Leave behind beautiful memories for those who will  
Continue riding the train of life without us.

I wish you a joyful journey for the remaining years on  
Your train of life. Reap success, give lots of love, and  
Be happy. More importantly, be thankful for your journey!  
Lastly, I thank you for being one of the passengers  
On my train.

Author Unknown

### Thank you

The family of the late Elizabeth Ann White Littlejohn truly appreciates your kind expressions of prayers, messages of comfort, words of love, and numerous acts of kindness during our bereavement. Your kind expressions of sympathy and friendship will always remain in our memories. Your words have been heard and your kind deeds have been deeply felt by us all. Thanks for every tribute it has been deeply felt by us all, may you continue to be blessed.



### Acknowledgement

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# Homegoing Celebration In Loving Memory of Elizabeth W. Littlejohn



*Sunrise June 15, 1933 – Sunset November 15, 2023*

*Third Street Presbyterian Church  
605 North Highland Street  
Gastonia, North Carolina*

*Monday November 20, 2023  
Twelve Thirty P.M.*

*Reverend Edward B. Newberry  
Reverend Patricia Parker Reid*



# Order of Service



**Processional** Clergy and family  
**Call to Worship** Reverend Edward B. Newberry  
*Retried Member of Charlotte Presbytery*  
**Prayer of Invocation**  
**Hymn** “What A Friend We Have In Jesus”  
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**Old Testament** Psalms 90: 1-4, 9-12  
Reverend Edward B. Newberry  
**New Testament** 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18  
Reverend Patricia Parker Reid  
Member of Western North Carolina Presbytery  
**Prayer of Comfort**  
**Musical Selection** Mt. Calvary Baptist Church Men’s Choir

## Tributes

(two minutes please)  
 Mrs. Lilian Pryor Williams  
 Ms. Darryl McClure  
 Mr. Charles H. Whitesides  
  
**Musical Selection** Mt. Calvary Baptist Church Men’s Choir  
**Words of Comfort** Reverend Patricia Parker Reid

**Hymn** “It Is Well With My Soul”  
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**Benediction**  
**Recessional**



# Mrs. Elizabeth W. Littlejohn

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Littlejohn was a native of Gastonia, North Carolina. She was a graduate of Highland High School and attended what is now North Carolina A&T University. During her tenured employment she worked one year in the Gaston County School System at Hunter Huss High School and retired from Square Pharmacy after thirty-eight years. In between, she volunteered as a mentor at Pleasant Ridge Elementary School.

Elizabeth was preceded in death by her husband Allen Littlejohn, Sr., her son Allen Littlejohn, Jr., her sister Irene, and brothers Joe Lewis and Hazel Roy. She leaves to cherish with fond memories her brother Charles Henry; children: Starla Terrine, Allen Karee, and George Emil (Kiso); daughter in law Lisa McCoy Littlejohn; sister in law Ree Mattie White; five grandchildren: Brandon (Whitney), Allen, III, Shanise (Darryl), Sheridan, and Kent; five great-grandchildren: Jordan, J’Nyah, Jalen, Mila Rose, and Madison Kate and a host of other family and friends.

Elizabeth was an ordained Elder at Third Street Presbyterian Church where she was also treasurer and a member of the Presbyterian Women’s Organization. She was a member of the Steering Committee and the Floral Committee. Elizabeth was also an ordained Deacon, former Trustee, and member of the Pastor Nominating Committee. Elizabeth taught Bible School and tutored in the summer enrichment and afterschool programs. She served the Presbytery of Western North Carolina as a member of the Nominating Committee, the Sessional Records/Attendance Committee, and as a Commissioner. She represented the Presbytery as a Commissioner to the Synod. Elizabeth was known for her palatable potato salad and banana pudding when food was a priority at Third Street Presbyterian.

In the community, Elizabeth visited the sick and confined, supported and contributed to Crisis Assistance Ministry, worked as a clerk at the poll and precinct 7, and assisted with “Feeding God’s Children,” a ministry that serves food to students in the afterschool program at West Gastonia Boys and Girls Club. She was a charter member of Alpha Pi Chi Sorority, Inc., a member of AARP, NAACP, and GCOCC, Inc. In high school Elizabeth played basketball, softball, served on the annual yearbook staff and the school newspaper “The Tattler.”

In her spare time, Elizabeth volunteered her service where needed. Mrs. Littlejohn was an avid sports fan, she enjoyed listening to jazz music, solving crossword puzzles, collecting salt and pepper shakers, and reading all genres and cultures of literature.

