

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

MORNING WORSHIP ~ 8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

### THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The service of worship begins with the music.*

*Through its power and brilliance may you feel the majesty of God, in its quietness, God's peace.*

~ WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD ~

**\*\*WELCOME, REGISTRATION, ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(Please sign the attendance sheet and pass it to the end of the pew for usher pickup.)*

### PRELUDE

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*HYMN NO. 308** "Thine Be the Glory" JUDAS MACCABEUS

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (inspired by Psalm 150)

Leader: Praise the Lord!

**People: Praise God in the sanctuary.**

Leader: Praise God in the vault of heaven.

**People: Praise God in the earth and skies.**

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord.

**People: Shout and sing praises to God.**

Leader: We have witnessed God's mighty acts.

**People: We have seen the Lord's greatness.**

Leader: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.

**People: Let everything that draws breath praise the Lord!**

**\*AFFIRMATION FROM 1 TIMOTHY 2:5-6; 1:15; 3:16**  
**HYMNAL PAGE NO. 889**

Leader: There is one God and there is one mediator, Christ Jesus, who came as a ransom for all, to whom we testify.

People: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance:

**That Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners, and was manifest in the flesh, vindicated in the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed in through out the world, taken up in glory.**

**Great indeed is the mystery of the Gospel. Amen.**

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI NO. 70**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

**THE MORNING PRAYER**

*(Leader: Lord, in your mercy.*

*People Respond: Hear our prayer.)*

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS**

**THE OFFERTORY**

**\*THE DOXOLOGY HYMN PG. 94 LASST UNS ERFREUEN**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**praise God, the source of all our gifts;**

**praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

~ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD ~

**SCRIPTURE READING** BIBLE-NT PG. 114

John 20:19-29

<sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

**THE MESSAGE** "Doubt" Rev. Alex Stevenson

~THANKSGIVING AND HOLY COMMUNION~

**INVITATION** (All are welcome)

**CONFESSION AND PARDON** HYMNAL PG. 12

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** HYMNAL PG. 17

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (prayed together)

**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.**

**GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

If you are not able to come forward, the communion elements will be brought to you where you are seated.

**COMMUNION ANTHEM** (11 am only) Hymn Pg. 620  
Chancel Choir "One Bread One Body"

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

*(After the anthem you are invited to sing these hymns as others are receiving communion.)*

616 "Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast"

618 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

624 "Bread of the World"

628 "Eat This Bread"

629 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in you eternal kingdom. Sends us in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory in Jesus' name. Amen.**

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

**\*THE HYMN NO. 304** REGENT SQUARE  
"Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

**\*BENEDICTION**

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

**People: Hearts on Fire ... Seeking, Sharing, Serving ... For God!**

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*THE POSTLUDE**

*\*Congregation will please stand as able.*

*Our service of worship has ended. Let our worship through service begin.*

**A BIG THANK YOU GOES TO THOSE WHO HELPED IN SERVING COMMUNION:**

8:45 am Jim & Keith Rutherford, Nina Scoggins

11:00 am Tom & Nancy Angster, Sherri Allred

**LENTEN OFFERING UPDATE...**We are excited to let you know that the grand total for the Lenten Offering is **\$5,222.77!** Praise God!

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO** the glory of God and in honor of Sherri Allred for their 15<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by Dale Allred.



**The Pascal Candle** is the large candle beside the communion table. Sometimes the Pascal Candle is also called the Easter Candle or the Christ Candle. It is lit during the 50 days of the Easter season. Jesus rose from the dead and appeared to his disciples for 40 days and then after his ascension the disciples waited 10 more days until the Holy Spirit came upon them at Pentecost. The flame of the Pascal Candle represents the living presence of the Risen Christ with his disciples between his resurrection and his ascension. It is also a reminder of the living presence of the Risen Christ with us.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**As of printing Thursday, March 31, 2016:**

**Home:** Dolores Epperly, Doyle Clark, Phil Waynick, Alton & Mary Ruth Durham, Wally Harris, Lynette Ruff, Brenda Raynal, Rick Lankford

**Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale

**NHC-Cola:** Vera Chrismon      **NHC-Mauldin:** June Powell

**Haywood Estates:** Phyllis Smith, Joan Pawlus

**Brookdale:** Harold Stallcup      **The Cottages:** Betty Lee

**The Palmettos:** Atrice Hughey, Dora Gault

**The Cascades:** Patty Andersen, Patti Whelchel

**Mt. Pleasant, SC:** Florence Hale c/o daughter

**Rolling Green:** Margaret Britton, Bill & Jan Ellington, Wilma Tiedeman, Audrey & Wayne Rowan

**Mt. Home Health & Rehab, NC:** Nancy Reitz

**Brookdale @ Cleveland Park:** Janie Hunt, Ruth Gunter

**SERVING ALDERSGATE TODAY**

**Acolytes:** 8:45 am Adyson Davis      11:00 am Laura MacGregor

**Crucifer:** 11:00 am Sean Hughes

**Greeters:** 8:45 am Nina & Cody Owens

10:00 am Jane & Bill Williamson

**Usher Captains:** 8:45 am Brad Smoak      11:00 am Rick Lankford

**Ushers:** 8:45 am Scott Bagley, Trevor King, Mark Wessel

11:00 am Doug Patrick, Coley Altman, Gray Walsh, Grant Lankford

**TITHES & OFFERINGS**

*Worship the Lord through giving.*

2016 General Budget Needs	747,096.00
Budget Needs (YTD)	186,773.99
<b>Receipts Week #13 (3/27)</b>	<b>22,102.49</b>
Receipts YTD	185,730.07
Total Expenses (YTD)	157,387.87

*E-Giving QR Code*



**ATTENDANCE**

**March 27 - Worship 461 / Sunday School 161**

**CALENDAR**

**Sunday, April 3, 2016**

8:45 & 11:00 am Worship Services  
9:45 am Sunday School / Confirmation Class in Chapel  
5:00 pm Youth & Club 56

**Monday, April 4, 2016**

11:00 am Prime Timers Luncheon – Parker Hall  
12:30 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall  
6:30 pm CDC Board Meeting – Questers Class  
6:30 pm Financial Peace University—Kingdom Class  
7:00 pm Stephen Ministry – Mac Vinson Companions  
7:00 pm Reading The Bible in 21<sup>st</sup> Century- Library

**Tuesday, April 5, 2016:**

6:30 am Men of Integrity – Broadway Bagels  
5:45 pm Zumba – Gym  
6:00 pm Cindy Harter Circle at Greer Relief  
7:00 pm Missions Committee Mtg.–Mac Vinson Companions  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

**Wednesday, April 6, 2016:**

10:00 am Pastor’s Bible Study – Mac Vinson Companions  
5:30 pm Connect – Parker Hall  
6:30 pm Classes  
7:15 pm Choir Practice

**Thursday, April 7, 2016:**

10:00 am Older Adult Council Meeting – Library  
6:00 pm Praise Team Practice

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00-Noon  
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**MINISTRY STAFF**

The Rev. Alex Stevenson, Pastor (ext. 207)  
Johannah Myers, Director of Christian Formation (ext. 211)  
Ruth Hughes, Director of Children’s & Leisure Ministries (ext. 204)  
Luke Browder, Director of Music (ext. 208)  
Ryland Brown, Musician  
Jennifer Nelson, Director, Child Development Center (ext. 202)  
Susan Hamilton, Office Manager/Communications (ext. 210)  
Norma Dempsey, Financial Secretary (ext. 206)  
John McElrath, Custodian

**MINISTERS – THE CONGREGATION**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

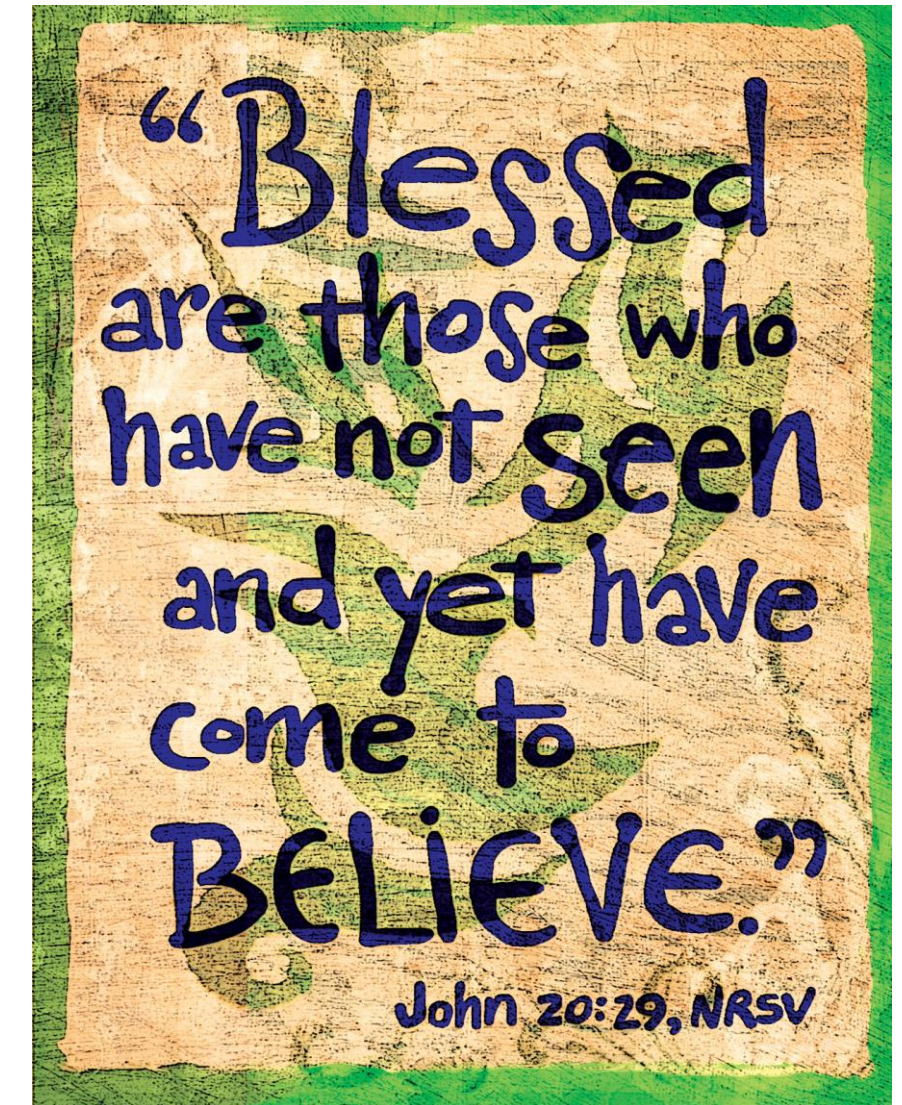
... We are called to make disciples by embracing all people with God’s love in Christ and equipping each other for service to God and His world.

**VISION STATEMENT**

**Hearts on Fire...Seeking, Sharing, Serving...For God**

*Welcome to*

**ALDERSGATE  
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