

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" by J.S. Bach

*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*HYMN NO. 163 Herbert

"Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know"

*CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Hebrews 11-12)

Leader: God has called us like Moses in the wilderness, the prophets in the hills, and the disciples in the cities.

People: They shared their blessings so that we might know God's presence here.

Leader: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely.

People: Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

*A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE UNITED

CHURCH OF CANADA

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

*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.)

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Canon in D" by Johann Pachelbel

*THE DOXOLOGY OLD 100th

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

~ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD ~

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Johannah Myers

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS Rev. Alex Stevenson

SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 11:29-12:2 NT-226

²Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

THE MESSAGE "Faith: Assurance of Things Hoped For"
Rev. Alex Stevenson

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

*THE HYMN NO. 369 "Blessed Assurance" Fanny Crosby

*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.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD by Toby & Barbara Hunter.

OUR GUEST MUSICIANS ARE Cliff and Janet Joens. They are the parents of Greg Joens. Give them a warm Aldersgate welcome and thank them for sharing their talents with us today.

ALDERSGATE SPECIAL NEEDS SUNDAY-TODAY!

This ministry was founded by the SC Conference to provide homes for adults with developmental disabilities. Today is designated by the SC Conference as Aldersgate Special Needs Sunday and we will receive a special offering. Please give graciously.

THIRD GRADE BIBLES...If you have a child going into the 3rd Grade we want to make sure they receive their bible on September 11th. Please make sure you contact the church office if you have a 3rd grader this coming school year.

SEPTEMBER PRIME TIMERS WELCOMES

Pat Scales. Pat is a retired middle and high school librarian, who used her passion for books and learning, to launch the program, *Communicate Through Literature*. She has been featured on the Today Show and currently serves on the Council of Advisors of the National Coalition Against Censorship. If you do not normally attend Prime Timers, now is the time to come hear Pat. On **September 12th** she will be the guest speaker. Her program begins at 11:00 am and lunch is served around noon. Reservations must be in by **September 7th**.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS will be meeting on Saturday, August 20th, 11:30 am at Yellow Ginger Asian Restaurant. Please contact Mary Ellen Cooper at 281-3836 or mecooper49@aol.com to attend.

COLEY & DAYLENE ALTMAN are proud to announce the birth of new granddaughter Elizabeth (Ellie) Grace Spencer, daughter of Christy and Brandon.

CONNECT STARTS BACK on Wednesday, August 24. Sign-ups for the small group classes are in the Commons.

SAVE THE DATE! The UMW Garage Sale will be here soon. First drop off date is *September 19th*. Jewelry (only) may be left in the church office at any time.

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Wednesday, Aug. 11, 2016:

Home: Dolores Epperly, Doyle Clark, Phil Waynick, Lynette Ruff, Fred Copeland, Ralph Bell, Dorothy Barnhill, Alton Durham, Bill Smith, Russell Parker, Gayle Ashworth, Toby Hunter

Baptist Hospital-Winston Salem: Frances Kellett

Myrtle Beach: Randy Hale/**Mt. Pleasant, SC:** Florence Hale

NHC-Boiling Springs: Freida Parker

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

Haywood Estates: Phyllis Smith, Joan Pawlus, Ann Linse

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

Brookdale at Hawthorne: Marshall & Nita Bearden

The Windsor House: Bob & Julia Burdette

The Palmettos: Atrice Hughey

The Cascades: Patty Andersen, Patti Whelchel

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

ATTENDANCE

August 7 – Worship 280 / Sunday School 131

SERVING ALDERSGATE TODAY

Greeters: 8:45 am Henry & Nina Scoggins

11:00 am Jim & Ruth McAllister

Acolytes: 8:45 am Adyson Davis 11:00 am Anna Kate Schemm

Crucifer: 11:00 am Julian Gettys

Usher Captains: 8:45 am Austin Watts 11:00 am David Rose

Ushers: 8:45 am Doug Jordan, Phil Martin, Waldo Watts

11:00 am Clay Garrison, David Ayer, Cody Owens

TITHES & OFFERINGS

E-Giving QR Code

Worship the Lord through giving.

2016 General Budget Needs \$747,096.00

Budget Needs (YTD) 459,751.36

Receipts Week # 32 (08/7) 22,339.72

Receipts YTD 453,462.77

Total Expenses (YTD) 406,849.61



CALENDAR

Sunday, Aug. 14: 8:45 & 11:00 am Worship Services
Blessing of the Backpacks at both Services
9:45 am Sunday School
3:30 pm Finance Comm. Mtg.–Mac Vinson Comp.
4:30 pm Church Council Mtg.–Mac Vinson Comp.
5:30 pm Youth Parent Meeting – Youth House

Monday, Aug. 15: 10:00 am Staff Meeting
Newsletter is Published
6:32 pm UMM – Parker Hall

Tuesday, Aug. 16: 6:30 am Men of Integrity—Broadway Bagels
Greenville Co. School Begins
2:00 pm Water Handout for Lake Forest Elem. Sch.
5:45 pm Zumba—Gym
6:30 pm Story Tellers - Library
7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

Wednesday, Aug. 17: 5:30 pm Summer Suppers– Parker Hall
Newsletter Submission Deadline

Thursday, Aug. 18: Noon-CDC Staff and Office Staff- Luncheon

Friday, Aug. 19: 4:00 pm Boy Scouts Leave for Trip-thru Sunday

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 Min. (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)

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.

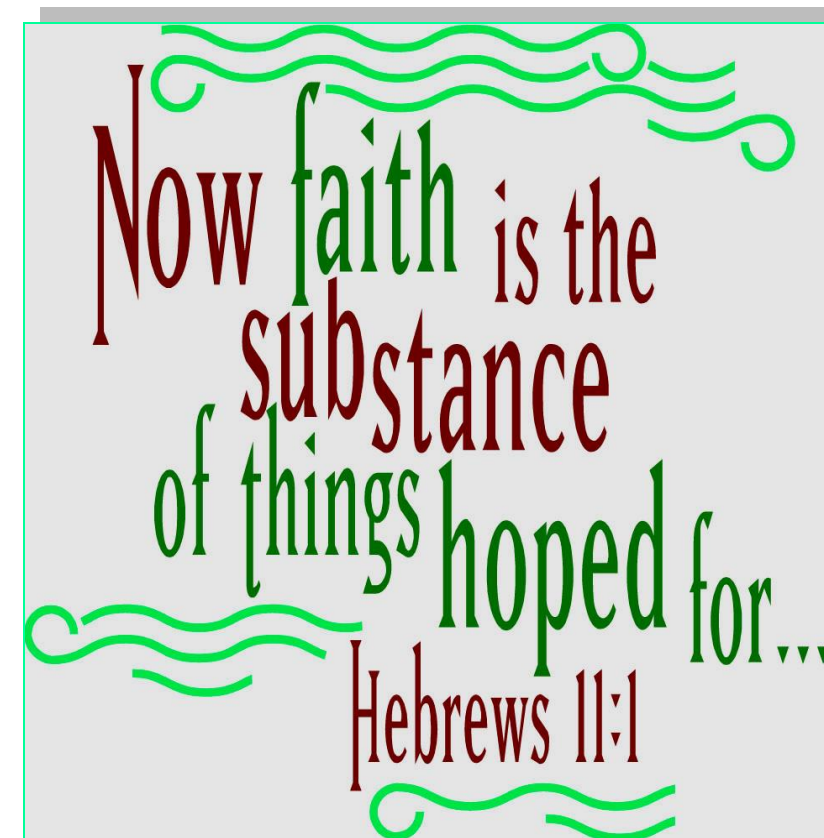
VISION STATEMENT

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



Welcome to

ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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**Open hearts...Open minds...Open doors
The people of The United Methodist Church**