

**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**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 159** "Lift High the Cross" CRUCIFER

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (inspired by Psalm 27)

Leader: God is our light and our salvation; whom shall we  
fear?

**People: God is our shelter and refuge on the days of  
trouble, and our hope and joy on the days of  
celebration!**

Leader: Day after day, we seek God's face and the assurance  
of God's holy love:

**People: O God, do not turn from us or hide your face  
from us! Be our guide and our light instead!**

Leader: One thing we ask of God:

**People: That we may live in God's dwelling place all the  
days of our life, and never cease to behold the  
beauty of God's home.**

Leader: Beloved of God, enter this worship in thanksgiving,  
for God is among and within us!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED 881**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven  
and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was  
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin  
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,  
dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the  
dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the  
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence  
he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the  
resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.**

\*universal

**\*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.**

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (8:45 only)**

Beverly Kelly

**GREAT DAY OF SERVICE MOMENT** Brianna Hughes

**THE MORNING PRAYER**

*(Leader: Lord, in your mercy.*  
*People Respond: Hear our prayer.)*

**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 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.**

**ANTHEM**

arr. by Mack Wilberg

**"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

*Come, thou fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
mount of thy redeeming love.*

*Here I raise my Ebenezer,  
hither by thy help I'm come;  
And I hope by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Prone to wander Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
seal it for thy courts above.*

*Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wand'ring from the fold of God;  
He to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.  
Prone to wander Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,*

*seal it for thy courts above.*  
*O to grace how great a debtor*  
*daily I'm constrained to be!*  
*Let thy goodness, like a fetter,*  
*bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.*  
*Prone to wander Lord,*  
*I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;*  
*Here's my heart, O take and seal it,*  
*seal it for thy courts above.*

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

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

**THE OFFERTORY**

**\*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 ~**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: NO. 298**

HAMBURG

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

**THE CHILDREN'S TIME**

Johannah Myers

*11:00 am (After Children's Time, we invite children, K4-2<sup>nd</sup> grade, to  
Children in Worship. Parents should pick their children up after the  
worship service upstairs in the Faith Depot.)*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

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Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

<sup>8</sup>But he said, "O Lord God, how am I  
to know that I shall possess it?"

**THE MESSAGE**

Rev. Alex Stevenson

"How am I to Know?"

**~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~**

**\*THE HYMN NO 504**

THE OLD RUGGED CROSS

"The Old Rugged Cross"

**\*BENEDICTION**

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

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

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

**\*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.*

**SAVE THE DATE...**The UMW garage sale will be here soon!  
First drop off date is April 18.

**PRIME TIMERS WILL HAVE THE UPSTATE SENIOR BAND** as the program on **March 7, 2016**. Make sure you have reservations before March 2. The program is at 11:00 am with lunch served at noon. Cost is \$7.00 per person.

**GAIHN** (Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network) will be held soon at John Knox Presbyterian Church. The Aldersgate dates are April 12, 14 & 16. We are always looking for help. Email Mike Strickland if you would like to know more information at [mstrickland@southernfirst.com](mailto:mstrickland@southernfirst.com)

**SERVING ALDERSGATE TODAY**

**Acolytes:** 8:45 am Ben Keith 11:00 am Rebekah MacGregor

**Crucifer:** 11:00 am Mary Beth MacGregor

**Greeters:** 8:45 am Suzanne & Ken Haney  
11:00 am Darlene & Jeff Caviness

**Usher Captains:** 8:45 am Jack Cornell  
11:00 am Hunt Redfern

**Ushers:** 8:45 am Danny Dobbs, Jim Dansby, Jordan Truesdale  
11:00 am Terry Tallon, Bob Pickens, Steve Graves, Joel Vanderwood, Bruce Royal

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**As of printing Thursday, February 18, 2016:**

**Home:** Dolores Epperly, Melba Poole, Doyle Clark, Alton & Mary Ruth Durham, Wally Harris, Lynette Ruff,

**St. Francis-Eastside:** Virginia Clarke

**Greer Hospital:** Wayne Rowan **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale

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

**The Cottages:** Betty Lee

**Haywood Estates:** Phyllis Smith **Brookdale:** Harold Stallcup

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

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

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

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

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

**Brookdale @ Cleveland Park:** Janie Hunt

**ATTENDANCE**

2/14/16	Sunday School	151
	Worship	299

**TITHES & OFFERINGS**

*E-Giving QR Code*

**Worship the Lord through giving.**

2016 General Budget Needs	747,096.00
Budget Needs (YTD)	80,955.87
<b>Receipts Week #6 (2/7)</b>	<b>23,722.27</b>
Receipts YTD	86,233.38
Total Expenses (YTD)	44,585.80



**CALENDAR**

**Sunday, February 21, 2016:**

8:45 & 11:00 am Worship Services

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am Messy Church in Gym

5:00 pm Club 56 & Youth @ The House

**Monday, February 22, 2016:**

9:00 am Staff Meeting – Library

8:45 am Mom’s In Prayer

12:30 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall

6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

**Tuesday, February 23, 2016:**

6:30 am Men of Integrity – Broadway Bagels

9:30 am Women of Faith – Parker Hall

12:00 pm UMW Prayer & Self Denial Luncheon-Parker Hall

6:00 pm Zumba – Gym

7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

**Wednesday, February 24, 2016:**

10:00 am Pastor’s Bible Study–Mac Vinson Companions Class

5:30 pm Connect Meal – Parker Hall

6:30 pm Worship for Lent – Parker Hall

7:15 pm Choir Practice – Choir Room

**Thursday, Friday 25, 2016:**

6:00 pm Praise Band 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

Johannah Myers, Director of Christian Formation

Ruth Hughes, Director of Children’s & Leisure Ministries

Luke Browder, Director of Music

Ryland Brown, Musician

Jennifer Nelson, Director, Child Development Center

Susan Hamilton, Office Manager/Communications

Norma Dempsey, Financial Secretary

John McElrath, Custodian

**MINISTERS – THE CONGREGATION**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

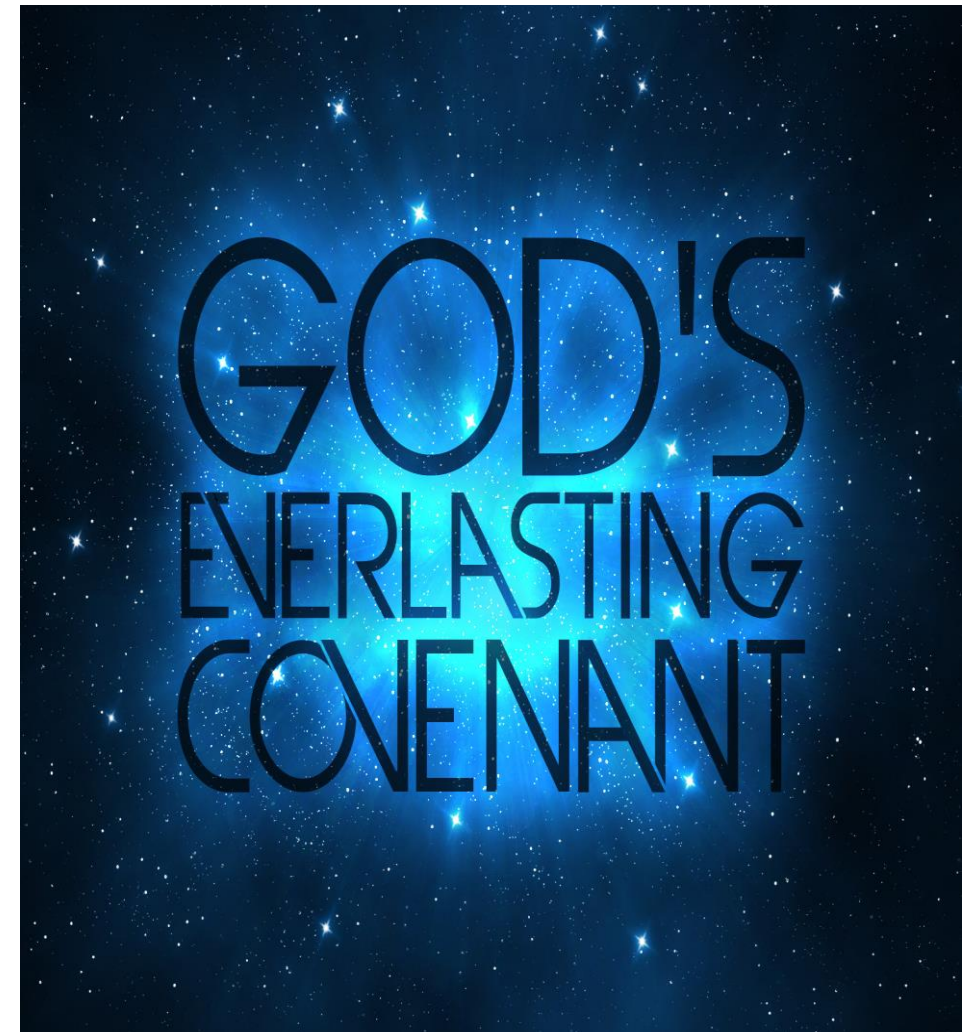
... We are called to make disciples by embracing all people with God’s love in Christ and equipping each other for service to God and His world.

**VISION STATEMENT**

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*Welcome to*

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