

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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.)

THE PRELUDE Ryland Brown

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***HYMN NO. 398** "Jesus Calls Us" GALILEE

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Isaiah 9:5; Psalm 27:1, 4)

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

People: Those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined.

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

People: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Leader: One thing I asked of the Lord, that I will seek after:

People: To live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in God's temple.

***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.

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.

UNITED METHODIST MEN RECOGNITIONS

(11:00 am only)

ANTHEM "Dear Lord and Father" by C. Hubert Parry

*Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;
In purer lives, they service find,
In deeper reverence praise.*

*In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word,
Rise up and follow Thee.*

*Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease:
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives profess
the beauty of Thy peace.*

*Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (based on Matt. 4:12-23)

David S. Bell

Great God of Heaven and Earth, you call us to leave behind our preoccupations and to follow you into the future. Sometimes we find your call challenging. We are comfortable, maybe even complacent, in our present. May this act of giving be a gesture of our willingness to follow where you lead. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY Ryland Brown

***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 TFWS 2162**

"Grace Alone"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Johannah Myers

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 4:12-23 NT PG 3-4

¹⁶The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.

THE MESSAGE Rev. Alex Stevenson

"Seeing the Light"

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***THE HYMN NO. 370** "Victory In Jesus" Hartford

***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 IN HONOR OF our 51st wedding anniversary and Cody's birthday by Cody & Nina Owens.

LAY READERS NEEDED! We still need lay readers for both services. If you are interested in helping in a Sunday service a few times a year by reading in worship, please contact Susan Hamilton in the church office.

YOUR YEAR END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are in the Commons. Please pick yours up before Jan. 29th.

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, January 19, 2017:

Home: Doyle Clark, Phil Waynick, Jennie Ruth Waynick, Lynette Ruff, Fred Copeland, Ralph Bell, Alton Durham, Russell Parker, Freida Parker, Bill Taylor, Tommy Finch, Justin Hadel, Pete Hendrix, Ann Armstrong, Deb Lankford

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

Haywood Estates: Joan Pawlus, Ann Linse

Brookdale @ Hawthorne: Marshall & Nita Bearden

Brookdale @ Cleveland Park: Janie Hunt, Ruth Gunter

The Palmettos: Atrice Hughey **At Son's in Greenville:** Julia Burdette

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

The Cascades: Patty Andersen, Patti Whelchel

Mt. Home Health & Rehab, NC: Nancy Reitz

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

CALENDAR

Sunday, January 22:

8:45 & 11:00 am Worship Services

9:45 am New Member Breakfast—Parker Hall

9:45 am Confirmation & Sunday School Class

3:00 pm UMW Executive Board Meeting—Mac Vinson Comp.

3:30 pm Finance Committee Mtg.—Library

4:30 pm Church Council Mtg.—Library

Monday, January 23:

6:30 pm Cub Scouts

7:00 pm Book Study – Rev. Steve Morgan - Library

Tuesday, January 24:

9:30 am Women of Faith - P. Hall

5:45 PM Zumba

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, January 25:

10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study -Mac Vinson Companions

5:30 pm Connect – Parker Hall

6:15 pm Children Music/Programming

6:30 pm Connect Classes

7:15 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, January 26:

7:00 pm UMW Book Club – Mac Vinson Companions Class.

ATTENDANCE

January 15, 2017

Sunday School 168

Worship 320

Worship the Lord through giving.

2017 General Budget Needs \$772,516.00

Budget Needs (YTD) 43,727.31

Receipts Week # 3 (1/15) 18,467.65

Receipts YTD 29,338.31

Total Expenses (YTD) **19,480.81**

E-Giving QR Code



SERVING TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:45 am Gayle Mason 11:00 am Tom Angster

Greeters: 8:45 am Ruth Ann & Marshall Gooch

11:00 am Cathy & Hunt Redfern

Acolytes: 8:45 am William McCauley 11:00 am Reid Schemm

Cruicifer: 11:00 am Sean Hughes

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

Ushers: 8:45 am Jim Dansby, Danny Dobbs, Jordan Truesdale, Suzanne Haney

11:00 am Terry Tallon, Bob Pickens, Steve Graves, Bruce Royal, Joel Vanderwood

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, Dir. of Music (ext. 208)

Ryland Brown, Musician

Jennifer Nelson, Director, Child Development Center (ext. 202)

Josh Consalvo, Director of Youth (ext. 209)

Susan Hamilton, Office Manager/Communications (ext. 210)

Norma Dempsey, Financial Secretary (ext. 206)

MINISTERS – THE CONGREGATION

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

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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

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**JESUS IS
THE
LIGHT!**



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