

## FIFTH 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. 295**

RATHBUN

"In The Cross of Christ I Glory"

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Isaiah 43: 19-21)

Leader: Let us worship God, who has done great things.

**People: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.**

Leader: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

**People: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!**

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

**People: We praise God for the grace that has saved us. Alleluia! We rejoice!**

**\*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 NO. 38** (11 am only)

Bruce Colegate

**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.**

**ANTHEM** "Before The Throne Of God Above" by Vikki Cook  
Praise Team

*Before the throne of God above,  
I have a strong and perfect plea,  
a great High Priest whose name is love,  
who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands,  
my name is written on His heart;  
I know that while in heav'n He stands,  
no tongue can bid me thence depart.*

*When Satan tempts me to despair,  
and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look and see Him there,  
who made an end to all my sin.  
Because the sinless Saviour died,  
my sinful soul is counted free,  
for God the just is satisfied to  
look on Him and pardon me.*

*Behold Him there, the risen Lamb,  
my perfect spotless righteousness,  
the great unchangeable "I Am,"  
the King of glory and of grace.  
One with Himself I cannot die,  
my soul is purchased with His blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
with Christ, my Saviour and my God.*

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

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

**THE OFFERTORY** "Cornerstone" by Hillsong  
Praise Band

**\*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 NO. 2108**

"O How He Loves You and Me" PATRICIA

**THE CHILDREN'S TIME**

Rev. Alex Stevenson

*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**

John 12:1-8 NT PG. 106

<sup>8</sup>The poor you always have with you,  
but you do not always have me."

**THE MESSAGE**

Rev. Alex Stevenson

"A One Scene Play That Represents Life"

### ~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

**\*THE HYMN TFWS NO. 2129** "I Have Decided" ASSAM

**\*BENEDICTION**

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

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

**\*MUSICAL 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.*

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY ARE TO THE** Glory of God by Terry and Brenda Tallon.

**CLEAN OUT THOSE CLOSETS AND BRING YOUR** wonderful finds to the UMW Garage Sale. We will start collecting on April 18<sup>th</sup>. Jewelry may be dropped off any time at the church.

## MESSY EASTER

Join us rain or shine for a  
**Messy Easter Celebration!**  
Sunday, March 20 beginning at 3:30 pm  
Easter Egg Hunt & Free Hot Dog Supper-  
Activities for the whole family. Join us!!

### SERVING ALDERSGATE TODAY

**Acolytes:** 8:45 am Brooks Davis 11:00 am James Whiteman

**Crucifer:** 11:00 am Daniel Whiteman

**Greeters:** 8:45 am Stephen & Michelle Keith  
11:00 am Harry & Maxine Hardin

**Usher Captains:** 8:45 am David McAvoy  
11:00 am Frank Mathis

**Ushers:** 8:45 am Roger Phillips, Charles Kellett, Henry Scoggins  
11:00 am Jim Cox, Bonnie Lampe, Ron Armstrong, Trey  
Covington, Coley Altman III, Paul Sleight

### PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, March 9, 2016:

**Home:** Dolores Epperly, Doyle Clark, Alton & Mary Ruth  
Durham, Wally Harris, Lynette Ruff, Virginia Clarke, Matthew  
Whiteman, Eddie Hamilton

**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

### ATTENDANCE

3/06/16	Sunday School	173
	Worship	312

### TITHES & OFFERINGS

*E-Giving QR Code*

*Worship the Lord through giving.*

2016 General Budget Needs	747,096.00
Budget Needs (YTD)	143,672.30
<b>Receipts Week #9 (2/28)</b>	<b>22,154.90</b>
Receipts YTD	139,259.31
Total Expenses (YTD)	113,045.63



## CALENDAR

**Sunday, March 13, 2016:**

8:45 & 11:00 am Worship Services

9:45 am Sunday School

3:30 pm Finance Committee Mtg. – Mac Vinson Companions

4:30 pm Church Council Mtg. – Mac Vinson Companions

5:00 pm Youth @ The House

6:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

**Monday, March 14, 2016:**

8:45 am Mom's In Prayer

9:00 am Staff Meeting - Library

11:45 am Staff Birthday Lunch - Ruth

1:00 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall

6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

6:30 pm Financial Peace Univ. – Kingdom Classroom

**Tuesday, March 15, 2016:**

6:30 am Men of Integrity – Broadway Bagels

9:30 am Women of Faith – Parker Hall

6:00 pm Zumba – Gym

7:00 pm Program Council Meeting – Mac Vinson Companions

7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

**Wednesday, March 16, 2016:**

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

5:30 pm Connect Meal – Parker Hall

6:30 pm Lenten Worship-Parker Hall

7:15 pm Choir Practice – Choir Room

**Thursday, March 17, 2016:**

6:00 pm Praise Band Practice

**Saturday, March 19, 2016:**

9:00 am Cub Scouts – Pinewood Derby – Parker Hall

### 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

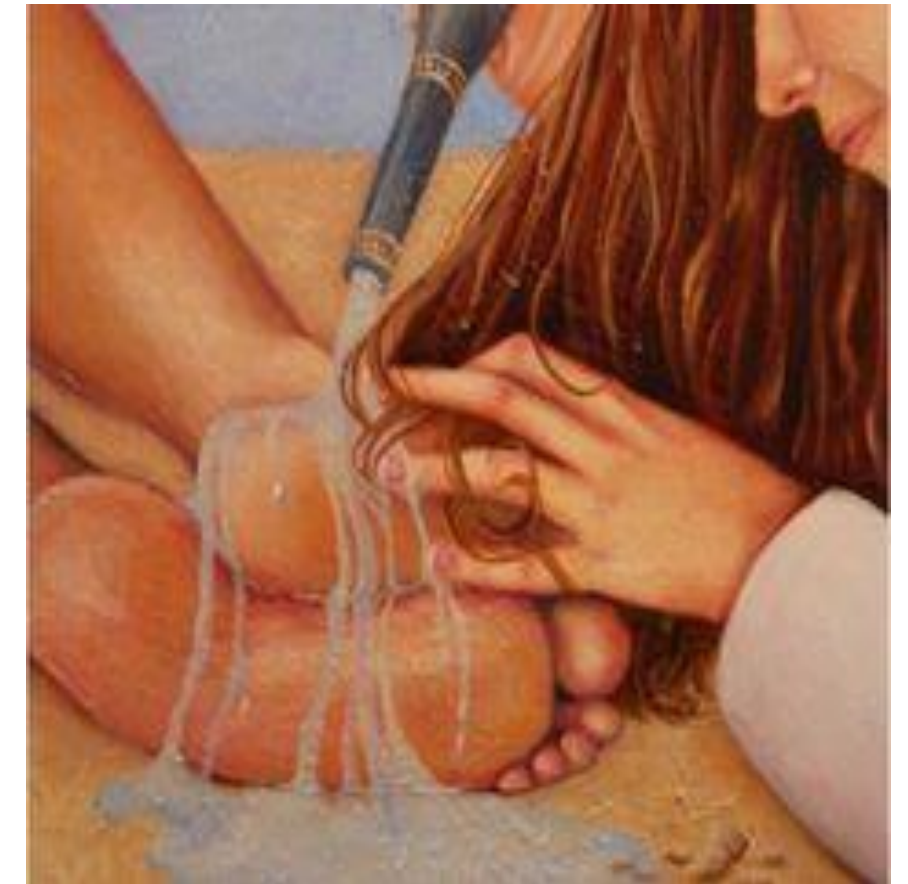
... We are called to make disciples by embracing all people with  
God's love in Christ and equipping each other for service to God  
and His world.

### VISION STATEMENT

**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**