

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.)

INTROIT "Holy Manna" arr. Judy Phillips
The Cathedral Handbells

*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

***HYMN NO. 57** AZMON
"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (verses 1-5 & 7)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, sing a new song of worship.

People: Come, sing a new song of praise.

Leader: Today is a day of a promise fulfilled.

People: With joy we celebrate Pentecost.

Leader: Pentecost – a day when power and comfort flowed.

People: Pentecost – a day of hope and inspiration.

Leader: A day when the Holy Spirit was revealed in flaming glory

People: and the glory was given to the people.

Leader: The fire of the Holy Spirit lives on in us. Sing praises!

People: We sing praises, indeed!

*2016 CONFIRMATION CLASS CREED

We believe in God the Father, who is all-knowing, almighty, and infinite in power and who is creator of Heaven and Earth. God the Father is merciful and offers us forgiveness through grace. God's Kingdom has no end. We were made in God's image.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, God come in the flesh, begotten not made. He died and rose from the dead to save us from our sins. He will come again. In Holy Communion we remember Jesus' death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the omnipotent presence

of God with us wherever we go. It unites us with the saints on Earth and in Heaven, and the Bible represents it as a dove or fire.

We believe we are not alone; that the Trinity is like a family. We believe the Church is a community of believers in God that helps us build relationships with God and others. Through the Church we are called to spread God's word, to seek justice, and to renounce, reject, and repent of our sin. We believe in the forgiveness of sins and that the sacraments bring us closer 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.

ANTHEM "Arise, Shine, They Light Has Come"
By Kevin McChesney The Cathedral Handbells

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 ~

***HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 347 (8:45 am)**

"Spirit Song"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Alex Stevenson

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 11:1-9 OT-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and few words.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 2:1-11 NT-119

(As the passage is being read in English, volunteers in the congregation will be reading it in other languages to catch the spirit of the events being reported in this passage.)

THE MESSAGE Rev. Alex Stevenson

"Something Happened"

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION PG.33 (11:00 am)

Christian Alexander Clark
Rebekah Catherine MacGregor

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***THE HYMN TFWS 2130** "The Summons" KELVINGROVE

***BENEDICTION (8:45 am)**

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

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

***BENEDICTION (11:00 am)** John Wesley's Rule

**Do all the good you can. By all the means you can.
In all the ways you can. In all the places you can. At
all the times you can. To all the people you can. As
long as ever you can.**

***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 ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD and in honor and memory of all Haddon Friendship Class members by the Haddon Friendship Class.

TODAY IS PENTECOST! Today is the day that the Church celebrates the gift of the Holy Spirit. Ten days after Jesus ascended into heaven he sent the "Counselor" that he had promised. Since that day the Holy Spirit, God with us, has been strengthening, guiding, empowering and comforting the church. The red cloth, on the Altar Table represents the fire of the Holy Spirit, which came upon the church at Pentecost.

DON'T FORGET THAT ON MAY 22ND, YOUTH SUNDAY, we will have a pot luck luncheon, right after the 11:00 service, as we congratulate all the graduates at Aldersgate UMC. The meal will be held in Parker Hall. Please bring two vegetables or a dessert & vegetable. The church will provide the meat. Thanks!

SUMMER SUPPERS ARE IN FULL SWING! Our Wednesday evenings we will continue with a meal beginning at 5:30 pm. No programming, just great meals and fellowship. **Menu: May 18th–Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans. May 25th – Pizza, salad, etc.**

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, May 12, 2016:

Home: Dolores Epperly, Doyle Clark, Phil Waynick, Lynette Ruff, Fred Copeland

The Cottages at Brushy Creek: Ralph Bell

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

NHC-Boiling Springs: Alton Durham

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

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

Greeters: 8:45 am Martha & John Wood

11:00 am Susan & Bill Smith

Acolytes: 8:45 am Ben Keith 11:00 am Anna Kate Schemm

Crucifer: 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, Joel

Vanderwood, Bruce Royal

TITHES & OFFERINGS

E-Giving QR Code

Worship the Lord through giving.

2016 General Budget Needs 747,096.00

Budget Needs (YTD) 272,977.37

Receipts Week #19 (5/8) 18,444.27

Receipts YTD 279,795.70

Total Expenses (YTD) 233,848.86



Epworth Mother's Day Total - \$1,907.00

ATTENDANCE

May 8 - Worship 355 / Sunday School 173

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 15, 2016

PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:45 & 11:00 am Worship Services

9:45 am Sunday School

2:00-4:00 pm Farewell to CDC Teacher-Julie Brunson

4:30 pm Church Council Meeting – Companions Classroom

5:00 pm Youth @ The House

5:30 pm Youth Parent Meeting – Soul Cafe

Monday, May 16, 2016

8:45 am Mom's Prayer Group – WHHS – Kingdom Classroom

10:00 am Staff Meeting

6:00 pm Blue & Gold – Cub Scouts – Soul Cafe

6:30 pm Financial Peace University—Kingdom Class

6:32 pm UMM Meeting – Parker Hall

7:00 pm Reading The Bible in 21st Century-Mac Vinson Comp.

Tuesday, May 17, 2016:

6:30 am Men of Integrity – Broadway Bagels

5:45 pm Zumba – Gym

6:30 pm Story Tellers – Mac Vinson Companions Classroom

7:00 pm Trustees – Library / 7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

Wednesday, May 18, 2016:

10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study

11:00 am Mary Teasley Cir. to Generations Group Home Banquet

5:30 pm Summer Suppers – Parker Hall

5:30 pm Messy Church Planning Session-Library

Thursday, May 19, 2016:

6:00 pm Praise Band Practice

7:00 pm Ladies Night at Church – Parker Hall

Friday, May 20, 2016:

CDC Graduation – Parker Hall

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

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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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CHURCH**



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