

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
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 "Come, Holy Spirit" arr. Sondra K. Tucker

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***HYMN NO. 381** "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on John 10 & Ps. 23)

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the Good Shepherd."

People: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

Leader: "My Sheep listen to my voice. I know them and
they follow me."

**People: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside the still waters.**

Leader: "They will never die and no one can snatch them
from my hand."

People: Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Leader: "I give them eternal life."

**People: And I shall dwell in the house of the lord
forever.**

Leader: Let us worship!

**People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all
the days of my life!**

***2017 CONFIRMATION CLASS CREED**

**We believe in God the Father, creator of heaven and
earth, of all that is seen and unseen, who made
humanity, who loves us and helps us, and
sacrificed the only begotten son for us.**

**We believe in Jesus, Son of Man and Son of the
Father, who is our savior. He became truly human.
He healed the sick. He was crucified for our sins to
save us. He rose again and ascended to heaven and
is at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, God with us, who
teaches us and helps us; who reminds us of God's
presence and the forgiveness of our sins; and who
gives us strength in the face of persecution.**

**We believe in the Trinity, one God in three persons:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We believe that as
disciples of Jesus Christ we should worship God
and serve our neighbor through the church. We
are baptized into the church and experience grace
through Holy Communion. We believe in the
resurrection of the dead and that we are all
brothers and sisters in the family of 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.**

RED BIRD MISSION TEAM DEDICATION (8:45 only)

Eddie Hamilton, Gary Hughes, Dick McGaughey

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

**Heavenly Father, we seek to be the sheep of your
holy pasture. As we dedicate these offerings, help us
to examine carefully the deepest recesses of our
own hearts. Guide our ways so that we may share
abundantly your love and your compassion with
those seeking your pasture. We pray in the name of
the Risen One. Amen.**

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

THE OFFERTORY "Toccata on *King's Weston*" by Ralph
Vaughan Williams, arr. By Matthew Compton

***THE DOXOLOGY NO. 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 ~

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Johannah Myers

PSALTER NO. 754 Psalm 23

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 10:1-10 NT PG. 103

⁷So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly,
I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep."

THE MESSAGE "Being Sheep" Rev. Alex Stevenson

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

Baptism: Charles Marvin Hall

Confirmation:

Charles Cort Bissonnette	Charles Marvin Hall
Alexander Jacob Hoffman	Karis Haley King
Allison Danielle Parish	Carly Logan Raines
Anna Katherine Schemm	Robert Brooks Schemm
Charles Reid Schemm	James Kirkpatrick Whiteman

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***THE HYMN NO. 593** "Here I Am, Lord" Here I AM

***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.*

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE
glory of God and in memory of Thomas Olin Monts III on the
anniversary of his birthday by his parents, Mary & Jerry
Thomas.

**THANK YOU TO OUR HANDBELL CHOIR AND ALSO
TO DIRECTOR JUSTIN HADEL.** We appreciate your
dedication!

TRANSFORM A CHILD'S FUTURE. On Sunday, May 14,
our congregation will support Epworth Children's Home by
collecting the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering. We
invite you to give generously to the children who call Epworth
home.

SUMMER SUPPERS ARE BACK ON MAY 17. Many of you love the fellowship and not having to cooking dinner on Wednesday evenings. The menu for May is below. Make sure you are signed up because these suppers are reservations only. Dinner will begin at 5:30 pm. Cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for kids. You can call/email or fill out a reservation pew card to Susan Hamilton at shamilton@aumcsc.org 244-1820 x210.

May 17: Chicken casserole or Pork tenderloin, Squash, Salad, Dessert

May 24: Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, Salad, Dessert

May 31: Tacos (chicken or beef), Salad, Dessert

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, May 4, 2017:

Home: Doyle Clark, Phil Waynick, Jennie Ruth Waynick, Fred Copeland, Ralph Bell, Alton Durham, Russell Parker, Freida Parker, Tommy Finch, Sue Lynn **NHC-Cola:** Vera Chrismon

Brookdale @ Hawthorne: Marshall & Nita Bearden

Waterstone: Ruth Gunter **Heartland:** Melba Poole

Rock Hill with Daughter: Bill Taylor

Haywood Estates: Ann Linse **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale

The Palmettos: Atrice Hughey **Mt. Pleasant, SC:** Florence Hale

The Cascades: Patty Andersen, Patti Whelchel

Mt. Home Health & Rehab, NC: Nancy Reitz

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

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 7: Confirmation Sunday

8:45 am Worship Services—Red Bird Send Off

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am Confirmation Breakfast

11:00 am Worship Services—Confirmation

4:30 pm Church Council – Mac Vinson Companions

5:00 pm Club 56

Monday, May 8:

9:00 am Staff Meeting – Library

12:00 pm Staff at Birthday Luncheon – Johannah Myers

6:30 pm Cub Scouts – @ The House/Gym

Tuesday, May 9:

10:30 pm Louise Best Circle – Soul Cafe

12:00 pm Susanna Wesley Circle – Outing/Larkins on the River

5:45 pm Zumba - Gym

7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

Wednesday, May 10:

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

11:00 pm Mary Teasley Circle Luncheon – Soul Cafe

6:00 pm Hospitality Gathering with Dinner – Parker Hall

7:15 pm Choir Practice

ATTENDANCE

Sunday – April 30, 2017
Sunday School 199 Worship 331

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Worship the Lord through giving.

2017 General Budget Needs **\$772,516.00**

Budget Needs YTD 262,363.86

Receipts Week #18 (4/30) 13,463.00

Receipts YTD 246,694.82

Total Expenses YTD 247,745.66

E-Giving QR Code



SERVING TODAY

Greeters: 8:45 am

11:00 am Cheryl LePorte & Ann Ayer

Acolytes: 8:45 am Adyson Davis 11:00 am Graham Addis

Crucifer: 11:00 am Sean Hughes

Usher Captains: 8:45 am David McAvoy

11:00 am Frank Mathis

Ushers: 8:45 am Eddie Beam, Henry Scoggins, Suzanne Haney

11:00 am Jim Cox, Bonnie Lampe, Ron Armstrong, Trey

Covington, Coley Altman, III, Paul Sleight

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)

Cindy Huckabee, 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

ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



The Rev. Alex Stevenson

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WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45 AM & 11:00 AM

May 7, 2017

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

A Stephen Ministry Congregation