

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER 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 (11 am only) "You Are My Sunshine" Cherub Choir
Director, Macy Covington

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: In the midst of fear and anger; in the midst of
mayhem and destruction, God calls us.

**People: With everything else going on, who has time for
a feast? We're busy, we'll get around to eating
eventually.**

Leader: In the midst of our anxiety, our worry; in the midst
of bill-paying and appointments, God invites us.

**People: We are tempted to just grab a bite, a sandwich
between errands, a snack we can eat while
driving, or checking email, or working on
today's big project.**

Leader: The feast is spread! All are invited, all are
welcome!

**People: We are invited. We are welcome. We are
worthy. How will we respond?**

***THE APOSTLES' CREED NO. 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 the 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.**

ANTHEM "Grace Alone" by Brown & Nelson
The Children's Choir
Director, Kaitlin Stevenson

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.**

HEARTS ON FIRE MOMENT Johannah Myers

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Giver of life and love, we thank you that in
the heavenly banquet of your word you
invigorate and renew us. May we boldly use
your gifts to continue your work in the
world. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.**

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

THE OFFERTORY "Yesu Kwetu Ni Rafiki" arr M. Burrows
The Children's Choir

***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 2173**

"Shine Jesus Shine"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Johannah Myers

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 22:1-14 NT PG. 24

²The kingdom of heaven may be compared to
a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son.

THE MESSAGE Rev. Alex Stevenson
"You Are Cordially Invited: Dress Appropriately"

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***THE HYMN NO. 361** "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

***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 TO THE GLORY
of God and in memory of Thomas Olin Monts III by his parents
Jerry & Mary Thomas.

A NOTE OF THANKS: To my Minister, the staff and
congregation of Aldersgate. I extend my grateful appreciation for
the love and support you have afforded me and Russell during his
extended illness. I truly could not have made it day to day
without the prayers, food, telephone calls and visits you extended
to both of us.

God has always been my strength in time of need but the
people of Aldersgate church have always demonstrated their
likeness in God through their generous giving in times of need.
During the past year I have thanked God frequently for your out
pouring of love. It truly is an honor to be a long-time member of
Aldersgate.

Please continue to lift me up in prayer as I grieve the loss
of my son even though I know he is in a much better place. God
bless you all! Sincerely, Freida Parker

HELP! IS THIS YOU?? About 3 or 4 weeks ago someone so
kindly sold some stock and the funds were sent to Aldersgate.
We do not know who it was. If it was you, please call the
church and let us know. We want to give you credit for this
donation. Tks!

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, October 12, 2017:

NHC-Boiling Springs Rd.: Tom Barnhill
Home: Phil & Jennie Ruth Waynick, Fred Copeland, Ralph Bell, Alton Durham, Freida Parker, Beth Rambo
Mt. Pleasant, SC: Florence Hale **Westminster:** Melba Poole
NHC-Cola: Vera Chrismon **The Palmettos:** Atrice Hughey
Brookdale @ Hawthorne: Nita Bearden
Waterstone: Ruth Gunter **Rock Hill /Daughter:** Bill Taylor
Rolling Green: Jan Ellington, Wayne & Audrey Rowan, Wilma Tiedeman **Mt. Home Health & Rehab, NC:** Nancy Reitz
Haywood Estates: Ann Linse **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale
The Cascades: Patty Andersen, Patti Whelchel

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 15:

8:45 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Disciples-Fast Track– Library
11:00 am Worship Service
5:00 pm Youth @ The House
5:00 pm Club 56

Monday, October 16:

9:00 am Staff Meeting
1:00 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall
2:30 pm Mosaic/ESL—Youth House/Gym/Loft/ Kingdom/Field
6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House
6:32 pm United Methodist Men’s Meeting – Parker Hall

Tuesday, October 17:

6:35 am Men of Integrity Bible Study
9:30 am Women of Faith –Parker Hall & Classrooms
2:30 pm Mosaic/ESL—Youth House/Gym/Loft/ Kingdom/Field
7:00 pm Boy Scouts@ The House

Wednesday, October 18:

10:00 am Pastor’s Bible Study – Mac Vinson Companions
2:30 pm Mosaic/ESL—Youth House/Gym/Loft/ Kingdom/Field
5:30 pm Connect Meal—Parker Hall
6:30 pm Children’s/Cherub Choirs
6:30 pm Church History Class—Mac Vinson Companions Class
6:30 pm Prayer Shawl Class—Library
7:15 pm Choir Practice—Choir Room

Thursday, October 19: CDC & Greenville Co. Schools Closed

Friday, October 20: CDC & Greenville Co. Schools Closed

7:00 pm Youth Bon-Fire – Youth House

ATTENDANCE

October 8, 2017

Sunday School – 186 Worship - 308

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Worship the Lord through giving.

2017 General Budget Needs \$772,516.00
Budget Needs YTD **597,606.57**
Receipts Week #40 10/8 14,478.05
Receipts YTD 566,390.44
Total Expenses YTD 552,946.81

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SERVING TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:45 am Gayle Mason 11:00 am Karis King
Greeters: 8:45 am Sandra & David McAvoy
11:00 am Julia & Kevin Schemm
Acolytes: 8:45 am Ben Keith 11:00 am Laura MacGregor
Crucifer: 11:00 am Rebekah MacGregor
Usher Captains: 8:45 am Brad Smoak
11:00 am Rick Lankford
Ushers: 8:45 am Scott Bagley, Trevor King, Mark Wessel
11:00 am Doug Patrick, Coley Altman, Gray Walsh, Grant Lankford

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. 212)
Susan Hamilton, Office Manager/Communications (ext. 210)
Cameron Vaughn, Financial Secretary (ext. 206)

MINISTERS – THE CONGREGATION

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00-Noon
Phone: 864/244-1820 Fax: 864/244-9701
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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 GOSPEL OF MATTHEW



What Are You Wearing?

Matthew 22:1-14

The Rev. Alex Stevenson
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WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45 am & 11:00 am

OCTOBER 15, 2017

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

A Stephen Ministry Congregation