

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**Reformation Sunday**  
**MORNING WORSHIP ~ 8:45 & 11:00 A.M.**

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**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** "Hymn of Promise" by Natalie Sleeth  
Cathedral Handbells

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*THE HYMN NO. 110** "A Mighty Fortress" EIN FESTE BURG

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*(inspired by Gen. 22: 1-14; Micah 6:8; Deut. 6:5)*

Leader: What does the Lord require of you?

**People: To do justice, and to love kindness, and to**  
**walk humbly with our God.**

Leader: What does God command of us?

**People: To love God with all our heart, and all our**  
**soul, and all our mind, and all our strength,**  
**and to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

Leader: God does not call us to ease or to comfort.

**People: But to presence, and abundance, and grace in**  
**our struggle.**

Leader: Let us worship the God who believes in us, and

**People: Let us worship the God who will ask much of**  
**us, but will be beside us every step of the way.**

**\*A MODERN AFFIRMATION NO. 885**

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true  
church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let  
us now declare:

**People: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom,**  
**power, and love, whose mercy is over all his**  
**works, and whose will is ever directed to his**  
**children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of**  
**man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the**  
**ground of our hope, and the promise of our**  
**deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in**  
**our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual**  
**remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find**  
**strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the**  
**service of love as set forth in the example of our**  
**blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God**  
**may come upon the earth. Amen.**

**\*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.**

**MISSION REPORT** Tony McDade from United Ministries

**THE MORNING PRAYER**

*(Leader: Lord, in your mercy.*

*People Respond: Hear our prayer.)*

**HEARTS ON FIRE MOMENT**

Marian Rose

Chairperson, Child Development Center Committee

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Darlene A. Moore

**Lord God, let me give until it helps the poor and**  
**needy, let me love until it changes the abused and**  
**doubtful, and let me serve until it blesses the least and**  
**the oppressed through my tithe, time, talent, and**  
**testimony. Amen.**

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

**THE OFFERTORY** "Meditation on Beautiful Savior"  
by Cathy Moglebust Cathedral Handbells

**\*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 ~**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Matthew 23:1-12 NT PG. 25

<sup>11</sup> The greatest among you will be your servant.

**THE MESSAGE**

Rev. Alex Stevenson

"Jesus and the Reformation"

**~WE GIVE THANKS AND SHARE**  
**HOLY COMMUNION~**

**INVITATION** (All are welcome.)

**CONFESSION AND PARDON NO. 12**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING NO. 17**

**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.**

**GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

If you are not able to come forward, the communion  
elements will be brought to you where you are seated.

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

*(You are invited to sing these hymns*  
*as others are receiving communion.)*

NO. 130 "God Will Take Care of You"

NO. 133 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

NO. 378 Amazing Grace

NO. 629 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

NO. 641 "Fill My Cup, Lord"

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us this**  
**Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a**  
**foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal**  
**kingdom. Send us in the power of your Spirit to live and**  
**work to your praise and glory in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~**

**\*THE HYMN TFWS 2158** "Just a Closer Walk With Thee"

**\*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.*

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**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE TO THE GLORY**  
of God and in memory of my father, Claude Hodge, and my  
husband, Dee Smith, by Jean Smith.

THANK YOU TO THE CATHEDRAL HANDBELLS for their music this morning. The handbell choir is directed by Justin Hadel.

### PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, October 26, 2017:

**NHC-Boiling Springs Rd.:** Tom Barnhill

**Home:** Phil & Jennie Ruth Waynick, Fred Copeland, Ralph Bell,

Alton Durham, Freida Parker, Beth Rambo, Kathie Schug

**Brookdale @ Hawthorne:** Nita Bearden

**Mt. Pleasant, SC:** Florence Hale

**Haywood Estates:** Ann Linse **Westminster:** Melba Poole

**The Palmettos:** Atrice Hughey **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale

**Waterstone:** Ruth Gunter **Rock Hill /Daughter:** Bill Taylor

**Rolling Green:** Jan Ellington, Wayne & Audrey Rowan,

Wilma Tiedeman **Mt. Home Health & Rehab, NC:** Nancy Reitz

### CALENDAR

#### **Sunday, October 29:**

8:45 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

3:30 pm Fall Festival

#### **Monday, October 30:**

9:00 am Staff Meeting – Hall at Offices

1:00 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall

2:30 pm Mosaic/ESL—Youth House/Gym/Loft/ Kingdom/Field

6:30 pm Boy & Cub Scouts @ Parker Hall

#### **Tuesday, October 31: Newsletter Published**

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, November 1:**

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 Classes and Small Groups

7:15 pm Choir Practice—Choir Room

#### **Thursday, November 2:**

2:30 pm Mosaic/ESL—Youth House/Gym/Loft/Kingdom/Field

#### **Friday, November 3:**

2:30 pm Mosaic/ESL—Youth House/Gym/Loft/Kingdom/Field

**TODAY IS THE FALL FESTIVAL!!** Our “doors” open at 3:30 so if you are decorating a trunk, please be here to set up by 3:00pm. It's not too late to volunteer and everyone's welcome to come enjoy the festival.

### TITHES & OFFERINGS

*Worship the Lord through giving.*

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

Budget Needs YTD **\$626,758.11**

Receipts Week # 42 10/22 \$8,279.43

Receipts YTD \$590,058.49

Total Expenses YTD **\$576,755.85**

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### SERVING TODAY

**Communion Servers:** 8:45 am Johannah Myers, Marshall &

Ruth Ann Gooch 11:00 am Johannah Myers, Jerry & Lillis Smith

**Lay Readers:** 8:45 am Shirley Cooke

11:00 am Lyndon Ashworth

**Greeters:** 8:45 am Cookie & Danny Dobbs

11:00 am Susan & Bill Smith

**Acolytes:** 8:45 am William McCauley 11:00 am Anna Kate

Schemm **Crucifer:** 11:00 am Reid Schemm

**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

### 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

# Reformation Sunday



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**WORSHIP SERVICES**

**8:45 am & 11:00 am**

**OCTOBER 29, 2017**

**Established October 9, 1960**

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

***A Stephen Ministry Congregation***