

**FIFTEENTH 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** "Come Ye Sinners" by Veritcal Worship  
Praise Band

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*THE HYMN NO. 577** "God of Grace and God of Glory"  
CWM RHONDDA

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 103:1-5

Leader: Bless the Lord, my soul.

**People: With all my being I bless God's holy name.**

Leader: Bless the Lord, my soul, and forget none of  
God's benefits.

**People: The Lord pardons all my wrongdoing and  
heals all my ills.**

Leader: The Lord rescues me from deaths pit and  
crowns me with love and compassion.

**People: The Lord satisfies me with all good in the  
prime of life, and my youth is renewed like an  
eagles.**

Leader: Bless the Lord, my soul.

**People: With all my being I bless God's holy name.**

**\*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.**

**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** "How Can it Be" by Lauren Daigle  
Praise Band

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Patient Lord, you amaze us each day with your ability  
to forgive our many sins. You display merciful acts  
and answer our prayers in profound ways. Help us to  
be stewards of your mercy and grace as these  
monetary gifts are transformed into active ministries.  
Multiply the span of these ministries to reach people  
in new ways. We pray in the name of the one who  
teaches true forgiveness, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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

**THE OFFERTORY**

**\*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 NO. 402** CHRISTIAN  
"Lord I Want to be a Christian"

**THE CHILDREN'S TIME** Johannah Myers

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Matthew 18:21-35 NT PG. 20

<sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, "Not seven times,  
but, I tell you, seventy time seven times."

**THE MESSAGE** "70 X 7 = ∞" Rev. Alex Stevenson

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

**\*THE HYMN NO. 378** AMAZING GRACE  
"Amazing Grace"

**\*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.*

*Our service of worship has ended.*

*Let our worship through service begin.*

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE TO THE GLORY**  
of God and in honor of all the Cope family September  
birthdays by Jim & Ginnie Cope.

**PASTOR ALEX WILL OFFER A "RE"-NEWED** members  
class on Sunday mornings during Sunday School, September  
24-November 12. This is a class for those who are new  
members or who are considering membership at Aldersgate. It  
is also a class for long time members who would like a  
refresher course in Methodism. We will study Methodist  
history, theology, and tradition. If you are interested please  
contact the church office to sign up.

**WE WILL BE DEDICATING OUR GYM ON** September  
24 at both the 8:45 and 11:00 am services. We hope you will  
plan to attend this wonderful service and event in the life of our  
church. Please check the next newsletter for the full details.

**HERE IS THE CONNECT MENU FOR THE NEXT** few  
weeks. Please make sure you call the church office to let us  
know if you plan to eat no later than Monday of your desired  
week.

**Sept 20** –Baked spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic  
bread, salad, dessert

**Sept 27** –Salad bar, pasta salad, mesquite chicken,  
chips, fruit, dessert

**TODAY WE CELEBRATE IN THE BIRTH OF RHETT  
WADE DAWSON** with a red rose on the altar. He was born  
on Tuesday, September 12 to Whit & Haley Dawson. Big  
sister Blakely and big brother Jones are so happy to have him  
here!

IN MEMORIUM  
**RUSSELL DEAN PARKER**  
 January 9, 1962 ~ September 8, 2017  
 "Blessed are those who die in the Lord"

IN MEMORIUM  
**BARBARA RAE RUSCH**  
 November 29, 1935 ~ September 12, 2017  
 "Blessed are those who die in the Lord"

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

As of printing Thursday, September 14, 2017:

- Greenville Mem. Hosp.:** Tom Barnhill  
**Home:** Phil & Jennie Ruth Waynick, Fred Copeland, Ralph Bell, Alton Durham, Freida Parker  
**Mt. Pleasant, SC:** Florence Hale **Westminster:** Melba Poole  
**NHC-Cola:** Vera Chrismon **The Palmettos:** Atrice Hughey  
**Brookdale @ Hawthorne:** Marshall & 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, September 17:**

- 8:45 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 9:45 am Disciples-Fast Track- Library
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 1:30 pm Basketball Meeting – (Ruth Hughes)
- 5:00 pm Youth @ The House
- 5:30 pm Handbell Practice

**Monday, September 18:** 8:00 am-8:00 pm Garage Sale Rec.

- 1:00 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall
- 2:30 pm Mosaic/ESL—Youth House/Gym/Loft/ Rooms/Field
- 6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House
- 6:32 pm UMM Meeting – Parker Hall

**Tuesday, September 19:** 8:00 am-8:00 pm Garage Sale Rec.

- 6:35 am Men of Integrity Bible Study
- 9:30 am Women of Faith – Opening Brunch-Parker Hall
- 2:30 pm Mosaic/ESL—Youth House/Gym/Loft/ Rooms/Field
- 7:00 pm Stewardship Committee Mtg. – Mac Vinson Comp.
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts@ The House

**ATTENDANCE**  
 Sunday – September 10, 2017  
 Sunday School – 139 Worship – 240

**TITHES & OFFERINGS**  
*Worship the Lord through giving.*

2017 General Budget Needs	<b>\$772,516.00</b>
Budget Needs YTD	<b>539,303.49</b>
Receipts Week #37 9/10	13,984.27
Receipts YTD	<b>515,452.45</b>
Total Expenses YTD	<b>491,349.03</b>

**E-GIVING QR CODE** 

**SERVING TODAY**

- Lay Readers:** 8:45 am Scott Bagley 11:00 am Lee Gettys  
**Greeters:** 8:45 am Sandy Sanford & Logan Bagley  
 11:00 am Ruth & Jim McAllister  
**Acolytes:** 8:45 am Bobby Keith 11:00 am Karis King  
**Crucifer:** 11:00 am Julian Gettys  
**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  
 Child Development Center...864/268-5028

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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*  
**ALDRERSGATE**  
**UNITED METHODIST**  
**CHURCH**



**The Rev. Alex Stevenson**  
**7 Shannon Drive**  
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**WORSHIP SERVICES**  
**8:45 am & 11:00 am**  
**SEPTEMBER 17, 2017**  
**Established October 9, 1960**  
**Open hearts...Open minds...Open doors**  
**The people of The United Methodist Church**  
*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*