

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
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 "Percussive Praise" by Kevin McChesney
The Handbell Choir

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***HYMN NO. 568** "Christ for the World We Sing"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praise
to our God; a song of praise is fitting.

People: The Lord heals the brokenhearted,
and binds up their wounds.

Leader: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power,
whose understanding is beyond measure.

People: Praise the Lord!

***A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE UNITED
CHURCH OF CANADA**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to
reconcile and make new, who works in us and
others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's
presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love
and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge
and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be 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.)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION David Bell

Living God, your love for us is so unfathomable.
Open our ears to hear the cries of your neediest
children. Open our eyes to see human injustice.
Open our minds to think about compassion in all
circumstances. Continue to increase our willingness
to give so that we may lead lives fully focused on
ministry to others. We place these offerings upon
your altar in gratitude for your guidance and love.
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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

THE OFFERTORY "Rondeau" by Arnold Sherman
The Handbell 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 ~

SCRIPTURE READING NT PGS. 171-172

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might
win the weak. I have become all things to all
people, that I might by all means save some.

THE MESSAGE Rev. Alex Stevenson

"All Things to All People"

**~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.)

378 "Amazing Grace"

405 "Seek Ye First"

618 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

620 "One Bread, One Body"

629 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

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 ~

***HYMN NO. 569** "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

***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 our 52nd wedding anniversary by Cody &
Nina Owens.

TODAY WE WELCOME our new Music Director, Dr. Grant
Knox. He earned his Bachelor of Music and Master of Music
at the Eastman School of music and his D.M. at Northwestern
University's Bienen School of Music. He serves as Assistant
Professor of Voice and Director of Lyric Theatre at Furman
University. Welcome Grant, we look forward to "hearing"
great things from you!

THANK YOU TO JUSTIN HADEL for leading our Handbell
Choir! They always do a great job!

OUR ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES will be held on February 14th at both 12:00 noon and 6:30 pm. Join us for one or both services in the sanctuary.

THE ANNUAL VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCHEON for the widows and widowers will be held in Parker Hall on Feb. 14, right after the noon Ash Wednesday service. If you plan to attend please RSVP to Dean or Pam Martin at 864-292-3942.

TODAY, is the FOOTBALL Super Bowl. Our church will also participate in the S-O-U-P-E-R Bowl (of Caring). Again, this year we will be lining up on the offensive against hunger and our **YOUTH** will be calling the plays. They will be at the doors of the church today after the service to collect at least \$1 from each person. We hope you will get in the game!

THE UMM WILL HOST OUR SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER on February 13th at 5:30 pm. Bring a friend and enjoy this delicious "donation only" meal!

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, February 1, 2018:

Home: Phil & Jennie Ruth Waynick, Fred Copeland, Ralph Bell, Alton Durham, Beth Rambo, Tom Barnhill, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, Maxine & Harry Hardin, Barbara Morrow, Larry Stallcup, Madelene Tetsch
Brookdale @ Hawthorne: Nita Bearden
Mt. Pleasant, SC: Florence Hale **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale
Haywood Estates: Ann Linse **NHC Mauldin-Atrice Hughey**
Westminster Senior Living at Augusta Place: Melba Poole
Waterstone: Ruth Gunter **Rock Hill /Daughter:** Bill Taylor
Rolling Green: Jan Ellington, Wayne Rowan, Wilma Tiedeman
Mt. Home Health/Rehab, NC: Nancy Reitz

CALENDAR

Sunday, February 4: Souper Bowl Sunday

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship Services
9:45 am Sunday School
2:00 pm Women are home from Retreat (approx. time)

Monday, February 5:

1:00 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall
6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

Tuesday, February 6:

6:35 am Men of Integrity Bible Study
9:30 am Women of Faith-Parker Hall
7:00 pm Boy Scouts@ The House

Wednesday, February 7:

10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study – Mac Vinson Companions
5:30 pm Connect Meal—Parker Hall
6:30 pm Children's/Cherub Choirs
6:30 pm Classes/Small Groups/Youth
7:15 pm Choir Practice—Choir Room

SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE

January 28, 2018

Sunday School – 131

Total Worship – 224

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Worship the Lord through giving.

2018 Average Weekly Budget	\$ 15,498.09
2018 Average Weekly Giving	\$ 14,925.33
Previous Weeks General Fund Giving	\$ 10,634.27
2018 Avg. General Fund Wkly Exps.	\$ 10,610.89

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SERVING TODAY

Communion Assistants:

8:45 am Scott Bagley, Jim Cope, Helen Truesdale

11:00 am Dave & Marian Rose, Annette McDuffee

Greeters: 8:45 am Ruth Ann & Marshall Gooch

11:00 am Susan & Bruce Royal

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

Crucifer: 11:00 am Ansley Addis

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)

Dr. Grant Knox, 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

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Child Development Center... 864/268-5028

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MISSION STATEMENT

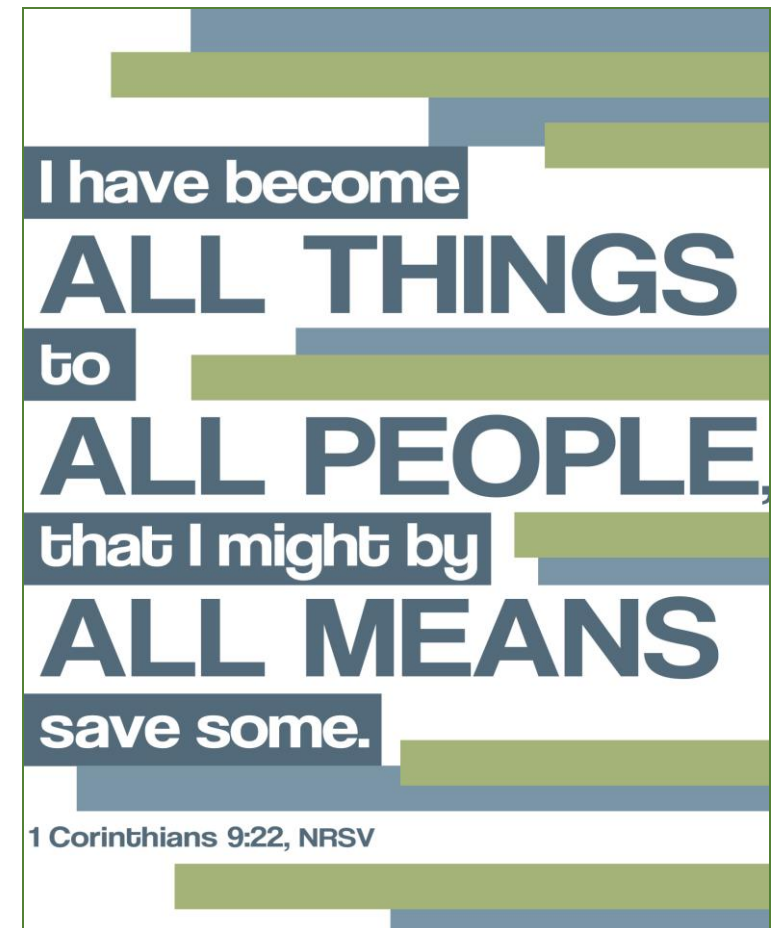
... We are called to make disciples by embracing all people with God's love in Christ and equipping each other for service to God and His world.

VISION STATEMENT

Hearts on Fire...Seeking, Sharing, Serving...For God! 

Welcome to

ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



The Rev. Alex Stevenson

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WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45 am & 11:00 am

FEBRUARY 4, 2018

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

A Stephen Ministry Congregation