

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
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.)*

THE PRELUDE Ryland Brown

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***HYMN NO. 292** "What Wondrous Love Is This?"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Lent calls us to journey, this and every day,
following Jesus wherever he leads us.

**People: Lent calls us to journey: to the place where
God covenants with us, to receive the new
names we are given.**

Leader: Lent calls us to worship together, to tell future
generations the good news.

**People: Lent calls us to practice justice, to bring
Gods hope to all people.**

Leader: Lent calls us to faithful living, to trust the One
who gives us life.

**People: Lent calls each of us to take up our cross, to
trust the One who bears it with us.**

Leader: Lent calls us to journey with God.

**People: Let us worship God, who walks with us,
this and every day.**

***THE KOREAN CREED**

**We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all
things, Father of all nations, the source of all
goodness and beauty, all truth and love.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh,
our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of
the world.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for
guidance, for comfort, and for strength.**

**We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love
and prayer, and in grace equal to every need.**

We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old

**and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of
faith and of practice.**

**We believe in the church, those who are united in the
living Lord for the purpose of worship and service.**

**We believe in the reign of God as the divine will
realized in human society, and in the family of God,
where we are all brothers and sisters.**

**We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in
the life everlasting. 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.**

THE MORNING PRAYER

(Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

People Respond: Hear our prayer.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM *(11:00 am only)*
HYMNAL PG. 39

Zoe Lavall Brush

BAPTISMAL SONG

*Zoe, Zoe, God claims you. God helps you,
protects you, and loves you too. We this day
do all agree a child of God you'll always be.
Zoe, Zoe, God claims you. God helps you,
protects you, and loves you too.*

ANTHEM "Holy Spirit" by Torwalt & Torwalt
The Praise Band

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Redeeming Lord, we find it extremely difficult to deny
ourselves. Our relationships and our future
aspirations often seem absent of glorifying your holy
name. Instead, we deceive ourselves into equating
good works with faithful discipleship. The Gospel
reminds us that we are called to bridge the gap
between casual commitment and true discipleship. We**

**give this offering as a way to move toward closer
discipleship with you. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

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

THE OFFERTORY "Revelation Song" Riddle
The Praise Band

***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 2113** "Lamb of God"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Ruth Hughes

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 8:31-38 NT PG 44

³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them,
"If any want to become my followers, let them deny
themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

THE MESSAGE Rev. Alex Stevenson
"Love Starts Here: Sacrifice"

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***HYMN NO. 415** "Take Up Thy Cross"

***BENEDICTION**

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

**People: Hearts on Fire ... Seeking, Sharing,
Serving ... For God!**

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***THE POSTLUDE** "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

by Brian Doerksen

The Praise Band

**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 mothers by Phil & Carol Martin.

TODAY WE WELCOME LITTLE Zoe Lavall Brush for
baptism. Her parents are Christopher & Melanie Brush, cousins
of Paul & Bonnie Sleight.

TODAYS SPECIAL ENVELOPE FOR INTERNATIONAL Missionaries will go to both the Datwyler and Attaway families equally. Please give generously in the envelope provided. Thank you!



PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, February 22, 2018:

St. Frances Eastside: Bill C. Smith
Home: Phil & Jennie Ruth Waynick, Fred Copeland, Ralph Bell, Alton Durham, Beth Rambo, Tom Barnhill, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, Barbara Morrow, Larry Stallcup, Jerry Thomas, Bill Culbertson
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 25, 2018: Special Mission Offering

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship
 9:45 am Sunday School
 4:30 pm Finance Meeting – Mac Vinson Companion Classroom
 5:00 pm Club 56 @ The Loft
 5:00 pm Youth @ The House

Monday, February 26, 2018:

1:00 pm Bridge—Parker Hall
 6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House
 6:32 pm UMM – Parker Hall

Tuesday, February 27, 2018:

9:30 am Women of Faith – Parker Hall & Classrooms
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

Wednesday, February 28, 2018:

10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study – Mac Vinson Companions Class
 5:30 pm Connect Meal – Parker Hall

ATTENDANCE

February 18, 2018

Sunday School – 110 Worship - 256

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Worship the Lord through giving.

2018 Average Weekly Budget	\$ 15,498.09
2018 Average Weekly Giving	\$ 15,122.06
Previous Weeks General Fund Giving	\$ 12,191.77
2018 Avg. General Fund Wkly Exps.	\$ 16,939.58
<small>(expenses include payment for installation of 3 air condition units of approx. 29K)</small>	

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SERVING TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:45 am John Myers 11:00 am Susan Smith

Greeters: 8:45am Nancy & Mike Burton
 11:00 am Mary & Jerry Thomas

Acolytes: 8:45 am Brooks Davis 11:00 am Anna Kate Schemm

Crucifer: 11:00 am Ansley Addis

Usher Captains: 8:45 am Austin Watts
 11:00 am David Rose

Ushers: 8:45 am Phil Martin, Waldo Watts
 11:00 am Clay Garrison, David Ayer, Cody Owens

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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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*
**ALDRSGATE
 UNITED METHODIST
 CHURCH**



IF YOU GAIN
the whole world
 BUT LOSE YOUR
own soul?

MARK 8:36, NLT

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WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45 am & 11:00 am

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 The people of The United Methodist Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation