

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 INTROIT "Festive Peal" by Karen Thompson
The Handbell Choir

*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

***HYMN NO. 308** "Thine Be the Glory" JUDAS MACCABEUS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you faithful ones, and give thanks to God's holy name.

People: Let the light of your face shine upon us, O Lord! You have put gladness in our hearts.

Leader: You have turned our mourning into dancing; you have taken off our sackcloth and clothed us with joy.

People: Let our souls praise you and not be silent. O Lord, our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

*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 *(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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you; through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Towers" by Cathy Mokolbust
The Handbell Choir

*THE DOXOLOGY NO. 94 ASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts; praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

~ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD ~

*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 430 MARYTON

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Ruth Hughes

EPISTLE READING 1 John 3:1-7 NT-240

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

GOSPEL READING Luke 24:36-49 NT-91

³⁶While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

THE MESSAGE Rev. Alex Stevenson

"Children of God?"

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

*HYMN TFWS 2223 ST. BRENDAN'S

"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

*BENEDICTION

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

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

*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*THE POSTLUDE Ryland Brown

**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 memory of Mary Ruth Durham by Alton and Family.

UMW GARAGE SALE IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER! Sale week is April 23-28. Please begin getting your items ready to bring to the church beginning on April 23! You may bring jewelry now to the church office.

THE PASCAL CANDLE is the large candle beside the communion table. Sometimes the Pascal Candle is also called the Easter Candle or the Christ Candle. It is lit during the 50 days of the Easter season. Jesus rose from the dead and appeared to his disciples for 40 days and then after his ascension the disciples waited 10 more days until the Holy Spirit came upon them at Pentecost. The flame of the Pascal Candle represents the living presence of the Risen Christ with his disciples between his resurrection and his ascension. It is also a reminder of the living presence of the Risen Christ with us.

THE UMW WILL HOLD THEIR MOTHER-DAUGHTER-SISTER-FRIEND BANQUET on Tuesday, May 1 in Parker Hall, beginning at 6:30 pm. The meal will cost \$9.00 per person. If you did not give your name to your Circle, please drop an envelope in the big wooden box in the front office. It must have your name, how many you are paying for, and cash or a check made payable to AUMW. (You do not have to be in a Circle to attend though.) The deadline is April 24.

The charity for this event will be Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg. They are one of our five special SCCUMW Missions. Items to collect will be non-perishable food, paper products and cleaning items. This deadline is also April 24.

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, April 12, 2018:

St. Francis D'town: Tom Barnhill

Home: Alton Durham, Beth Rambo, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, Barbara Morrow, Patti Garrison, Peggy Miller, Frankie Boling, Nina Owens, Ann Armstrong, Annette McDuffee, Mary Ann Repaire, Eddie Beam, Neil McWhite

Brookdale @ Hawthorne: Nita Bearden

Cascades: Patti Whelchel

Mt. Pleasant, SC: Florence Hale **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale

Haywood Estates: Ann Linse **NHC Mauldin:** Atrice Hughey

Waterstone: Phil & Jennie Ruth Waynick

Westminster Senior Living at Augusta Place: Melba Poole

Rock Hill /Daughter: Bill Taylor

Rolling Green: Wayne Rowan, Wilma Tiedeman

Mt. Home Health/Rehab, NC: Nancy Reitz

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 15, 2018:

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School

5:00 pm Club 56 & Youth

Monday, April 16, 2018:

9:00 am Staff Meeting – Library

1:00 pm Bridge – Parker Hall

6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

6:35 pm UMM- Parker Hall

Tuesday, April 17, 2018:

6:35 am Men of Integrity–Broadway Bagels @ Hudson Corners

2:30 pm Pictures Taken Until 8:30 pm

7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

ATTENDANCE-2018

April 8 Sunday School - 143
Worship - 216

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Worship the Lord through giving.

2018 Average Weekly Budget	\$ 15,498.09
2018 Average Weekly Giving	\$ 15,068.41
Previous Weeks General Fund Giving	\$ 10,054.15
2018 Avg. General Fund Weekly Expenses	\$ 14,608.86
<small>(expenses include payment for installation of 3 air condition units of approx. 29K)</small>	
March 2018 YTD General Fund Budget	\$ 200,215.40
March 2018 YTD General Fund Giving	\$ 181,700.86
March 2018 YTD General Fund Expenses	\$ 205,140.01

SERVING TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:45 am Wendy Davis 11:00 am Tom Angster

Greeters: 8:45am Nina & Henry Scoggins
11:00 am Maxine & Harry Hardin

Acolytes: 8:45 am Ben Keith 11:00 am James Whiteman

Crucifer: 11:00 am Daniel Whiteman

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, 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)

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
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WORSHIP SERVICES

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation