

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT  
PALM/PASSION SUNDAY  
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.)*

**PRELUDE** Sparkle City Brass

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*HYMN NO. 280** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"  
*(During the singing of this hymn the children will  
process into the sanctuary with palm branches.)*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: From Bethlehem to Nazareth, from Jordan to  
Jericho, from Bethany to Jerusalem, from then  
to now.

**People: Come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: To heal the sick, to mend the broken-hearted, to  
comfort the disturbed, to disturb the  
comfortable, to cleanse the temple, to liberate  
faith from convention.

**People: Come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: To carry the cross, to lead the way, to shoulder  
the sin of the world and take it away.

**People: Come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: Today, to this place, to us.

**People: Come, Lord Jesus. Amen.**

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED 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.**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**What can we offer that you have not already  
offered us? What can we do that you have not  
already done for us? Lord Jesus Christ, in your  
gifts to us, you have provided us the way to live  
and serve you. In both your triumph and your  
suffering, you deserve our praise. Through the  
gifts we now offer, we express our longing to serve  
and to follow you, wherever you go. Amen.**

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

**THE OFFERTORY** Sparkle City Brass

**\*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 ~**

**THE CHILDREN'S TIME** Johannah Myers

**FIRST READING** Mark 11:1-10 NT-47

**ANTHEM** "Festival Anthem on Ellacombe"

The Chancel Choir & Brass with Congregation  
*(The congregation will sing the following when directed.)*

**"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our  
King. O may we ever praise Him with heart and life  
and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!**

**SECOND READING** Philippians 2:5-11 NT-197

**ANTHEM** "Hosanna, Ride On" Jennings  
The Chancel Choir & Handbells

**THIRD READING** Mark 15:22-39 NT-54

**ANTHEM** "To The Lamb on the Throne"  
The Chancel Choir & Brass with Congregation  
*(The congregation will sing from the insert when directed.)*

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

**\*BENEDICTION**

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

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

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*THE POSTLUDE** Sparkle City Brass

*\*Congregation will please stand as able.*

*Our service of worship has ended.*

*Let our worship through service begin.*

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**TODAY! Messy Easter, March 25 @ 3:30 pm:**

A candy extravaganza, fun for the whole family. We will have  
games, crafts, an Easter egg hunt, and more. Free dinner to  
follow!

**Maundy Thursday, March 29 @ 7:00 pm:** Remember Jesus'  
Last Supper including foot-washing and Holy Communion.

**Good Friday, March 30 @ 7:00 pm:** We will recall Jesus'  
death on the cross with readings from John's Gospel. This will  
include a Tenebrae Service - service of light & shadows.

**Easter Sunrise, April 1 @ 7 am:** Recall the resurrection in a  
community service at Aldersgate. Breakfast to follow.

**Easter Sunday Services, April 1 @ 8:45 & 11:00 am:**  
Celebrate the resurrection and new life through Jesus!

**Plan to come! Bring a friend!**



**SAVE THE DATE**

**THE WEEK OF APRIL 23-28**

Please bring your clean useable items to the  
back door of the gym beginning April 23. Don't  
forget that we will need help that week also!

**THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN WILL HAVE A FAITH IN ACTION** speaker during the Sunday school time frame on April 29 beginning at 9:45 am. We would love for all classes to join-in to hear Triune Mercy Center's Restoration Advocate, Beth Messick, speak. Coffee and refreshments will be served in Parker Hall during this time.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

As of printing Thursday, March 22, 2018:

**NHC-Boiling Spring Road:** Bill C. Smith  
**Roger C. Peace-Rehab:** Ann Armstrong  
**Greenville Memorial:** Nina Owens  
**Home:** Alton Durham, Beth Rambo, Tom Barnhill, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, Barbara Morrow, Larry Stallcup, Patti Garrison, Peggy Miller **Brookdale @ Hawthorne:** Nita Bearden  
**Cascades:** Phil & Jennie Ruth Waynick, Patti Whelchel  
**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  
**Rock Hill /Daughter:** Bill Taylor  
**Rolling Green:** Jan Ellington, Wayne Rowan, Wilma Tiedeman  
**Mt. Home Health/Rehab, NC:** Nancy Reitz

**CALENDAR**

**Sunday, March 25, 2018: Palm Sunday**  
 8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 3:30 pm Messy Easter – Outside, Gym & Parker Hall  
**Monday, March 26, 2018: Holy Week**  
 Newsletter Submission Deadline  
 1:00 pm Bridge—Parker Hall  
 6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House  
**Tuesday, March 27, 2018:**  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House  
**Wednesday, March 28, 2018:**  
 10:00 am CDC Easter Egg Hunt  
 7:15 pm Choir Practice – Choir Room  
**Thursday, March 29, 2018: Maundy Thursday**  
 Newsletter Published  
 10:00 am CDC Easter Egg Hunt  
 2:00 pm Funeral Service-Ruth Gunter-Chapel  
 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service – Sanctuary  
**Friday, March 30, 2018: Good Friday**  
 7:00 pm Good Friday Service - Sanctuary

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

2018 Average Weekly Budget	\$ 15,498.09
2018 Average Weekly Giving	\$ 15,163.97
Previous Weeks General Fund Giving	\$ 15,700.27
2018 Avg. General Fund Weekly Expenses	\$ 16,245.56

(expenses include payment for installation of 3 air condition units of approx. 29K)

**E-GIVING QR CODE** 

**SERVING TODAY**

**Lay Readers:** 8:45 Gayle Mason, Scott Bagley, Dean Martin  
 11:00 Melissa Stevenson, Tom Angster, Debbie Strickland  
**Greeters:** 8:45am Barbara & John Sanders  
 11:00 am Sara & Jerry Bowden  
**Acolytes:** 8:45 am Ben Keith 11:00 am Graham Addis  
**Crucifer:** 11:00 am Ansley Addis  
**Usher Captains:** 8:45 am Austin Watts 11:00 am David Rose  
**Ushers:** 8:45 am Doug Jordan, 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  
 Phone: 864/244-1820 Fax: 864/244-9701  
 Child Development Center...864/268-5028  
 Website: [www.aumcsc.org](http://www.aumcsc.org) <http://facebook.com/aumcsc>

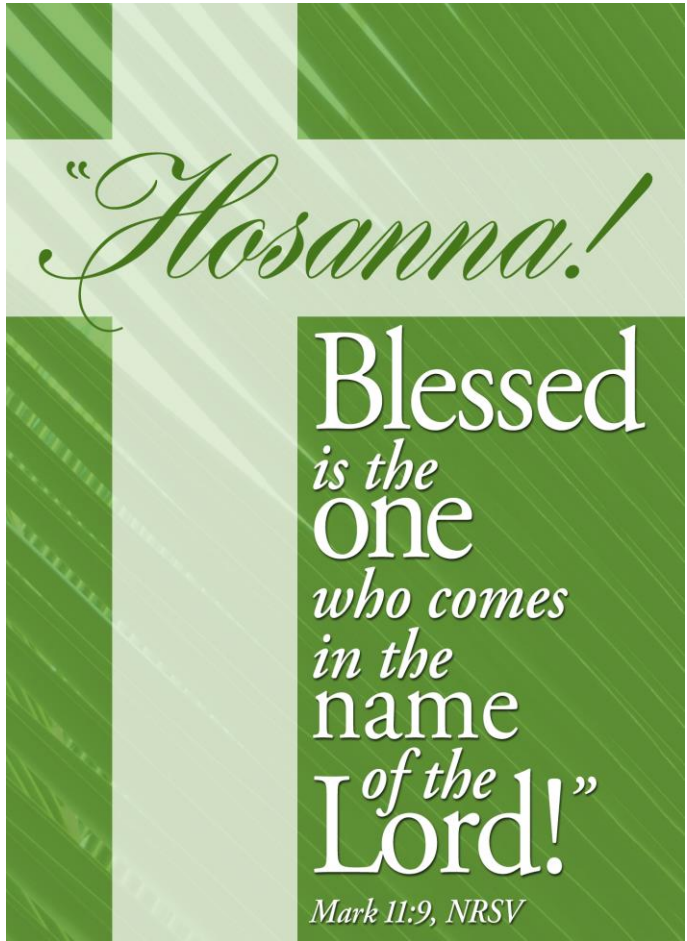
**MISSION STATEMENT**

... 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**  
**7 Shannon Drive**  
**Greenville, South Carolina 29615**  
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**WORSHIP SERVICES**  
**8:45 am & 11:00 am**  
**March 25, 2018**  
 Established October 9, 1960  
 Open hearts...Open minds...Open doors  
 The people of The United Methodist Church  
*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*

**ATTENDANCE**  
**March 18, 2018**  
**Sunday School – 140      Worship - 291**