

**SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**Independence Day**  
**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** Piano/Organ Duet  
Grant Knox & Ryland Brown

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*HYMN NO. 717** "The Battle Hymn of the Republic"

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We came from all places and all peoples to  
gather here today.

**People: Some of us traveled across the ice, others  
came later in boats, still others of us waded  
rivers or arrived on planes.**

Leader: We found a land blessed.

**People: Blessed with mountains and valleys, rivers  
and oceans, fertile earth, wonderful woods,  
and promising cities.**

Leader: Here, a dream was born.

**People: A dream of freedom from all oppression,  
A dream of hope for our children,  
A dream of people in community under God.**

Leader: We have turned to nations and peoples who gave  
us birth:

**People: Send us the voiceless. Send us the fearful.  
Send us the oppressed.**

Leader: And so the dream continues...

**People: And so the dream of America continues...  
God, help us to do your work until your  
dreams come true.**

**\*A MODERN AFFIRMATION NO. 885**

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true  
church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us  
now declare:

**People: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom,  
power, and love, whose mercy is over all his**

works, and whose will is ever directed to his  
children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of  
man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the  
ground of our hope, and the promise of our  
deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in  
our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual  
remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find  
strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the  
service of love as set forth in the example of our  
blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God  
may come upon the earth. 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.)*

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Darlene A. Moore

Lord God, let me give until it helps the poor and  
needy, let me love until it changes the abused and  
doubtful, and let me serve until it blesses the least  
and the oppressed through my tithe, time, talent, and  
testimony. Amen.

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

**THE OFFERTORY** (8:45 am) "Medley" Ryland Brown  
(11:00 am) "Offertory" by John Ness Beck  
The Chancel 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** OT Page 167  
Deuteronomy 10:12-13, 17-21

<sup>17</sup>For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords,  
the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and  
takes no bribe.

**THE MESSAGE** Rev. Alex Stevenson  
"God's Requirements"

**~ 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 ANTHEM** "The Gift of Love" Hal Hopson  
solo, Logan Campbell

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

*(You are invited to sing these hymns as others are receiving communion.)*

616 "Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast"

618 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

620 "One Bread, One Body"

624 "Bread of the World"

628 "Eat This Bread"

**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 ~**

**\*THE HYMN NO. 519** "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

**\*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 memory of Cindy Harter by her family.

**THANK YOU!** Cody and I would like to thank everyone for the love shown to me during and after my surgery. I am so thankful for all the cards, calls, visits and especially the prayers. Still months of recovery ahead but feeling better each day. Thank you! Nina Owens

**SUSAN HAMILTON WILL BE ON VACATION** from July 5 through July 16. She will return to the office on July 17. Please contact Cameron or another staff member if you have any questions. Thank you!

### PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Wednesday, June 27, 2018:

**MUSC-Charleston:** Doug Jordan

**Greenville Mem. Hospital:** Keith Rutherford

**Wake Forest Hospital:** Ann Armstrong

**Home:** Beth & Warren Rambo, Tom Barnhill, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, Peggy Miller, Annette McDuffee, Marge Hoagland, Ruth McAllister, Joel Vanderwood

**Brookdale @ Hawthorne:** Nita Bearden

**Cascades:** Patti Whelchel **Rock Hill /Daughter:** Bill Taylor

**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

**Rolling Green:** Wayne Rowan, Ralph Bell

**Mt. Home Health/Rehab, NC:** Nancy Reitz

### CALENDAR

**Sunday, July 1, 2018:**

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship

9:45 am Summer Sunday School-Parker Hall

**Monday, July 2, 2018**

1:00 pm Bridge - Parker Hall

6:00 pm Financial Peace – Library (*last one*)

6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

**Tuesday, July 3, 2018:**

7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

**Wednesday, July 4, 2018: CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

5:30 pm Summer Supper – Parker Hall

### ATTENDANCE

June 24, 2018

Sunday School –122 Worship - 207

### TITHES & OFFERINGS

*Worship the Lord through giving.*

2018 Average Weekly Budget \$ 15,498.09

2018 Average Weekly Giving \$ 13,721.63

Previous Weeks General Fund Giving \$ 13,813.82

2018 Avg. General Fund Wkly Expenses \$ 14,543.51

**Sanctuary Media Project--raised to date \$ 16,987.21**

**E-GIVING QR CODE**



### SERVING TODAY

**Lay Readers:** 8:45 am Bill Smith

11:00 am Lyndon Ashworth

**Greeters:** 8:45 am Barbara & John Sanders

11:00 am Jeff & Darlene Caviness

**Acolytes:** 8:45 am Brooks Davis 11:00 am Laura MacGregor

**Crucifer:** 11:00 am Rebecca MacGregor

**Usher Captains:** 8:45 am David McAvoy 11:00 am Frank Mathis

**Ushers:** 8:45 am Eddie Beam, Henry Scoggins, Suzanne Haney, Tim Davis

11:00 am Jim Cox, Bonnie Lampe, Trey Covington, Coley Altman, III, Paul Sleight

### 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*

## **ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

For the LORD your God is God of gods,  
and Lord of lords, a great God,  
a mighty, and a terrible,  
which regardeth not persons,  
nor taketh reward

Deuteronomy 10:17

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**WORSHIP SERVICES**  
**8:45 am & 11:00 am**  
**July 1, 2018**

Established October 9, 1960  
Open hearts...Open minds...Open doors  
The people of The United Methodist Church  
*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*