

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 Ryland Brown

#### \*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*HYMN NO. 73 "O Worship the King" LYONS

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (Ephesians 5:20)

Leader: Give thanks to God!

**People: We thank God for joy, for laughter, for abundant blessings of every kind.**

Leader: Give thanks to God at all times and for everything!

**People: We thank God, when we can and as we can, for struggles, for solitude, for fears.**

Leader: Give thanks to God at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: We thank God that, in Christ, our joys as well as our pain, our losses as well as our laughter, are in God's heart and hands.**

#### \*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.)*

#### 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.**

ANTHEM "Your Love is Extravagant" by Darrell Evans  
The Praise Band  
Cellist, Danny Durham

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev. Dr. Ken Sloane

**Generous and loving God, you give and give to us and hold nothing back. In response, we often give meekly, worrying whether we will have enough to meet our needs and wants and falling short in our ability to trust in you. Help us to live more wisely and to give more freely, fully aware of your providence and trustworthiness and more in tune with your desires for our lives. In Christ, we pray. Amen.**

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

THE OFFERTORY by Brown, Brock, Joye, Gatch  
"Give Me Faith"  
Soloist, Hannah Grace Attaway  
Cellist, Danny Durham

#### \*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 NO. 601 THY WORD  
"Thy Word Is a Lamp"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Johannah Myers

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS Rev. Alex Stevenson

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 5:21-33 NT 195  
<sup>21</sup>Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ.

THE MESSAGE Rev. Alex Stevenson  
"The Body of Christ: Christian Marriage"

### ~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

\*HYMN NO. 558 "We Are the Church" PORT JERVIS

#### \*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 given to the Glory of God and in honor of our 59<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by Marshall & Virginia Clarke.

SEEING BETTER TOGETHER is an adult support group for those who live with impaired vision. The next meeting will be held at 4:30 pm on **Wednesday, September 5** in the church library. If you would like to stay for the Connect Supper following our meeting please make sure you have signed up with Cameron in the church office no later than Thursday, August 30 due to the holiday weekend.

**E-GIVING LINK** - If you have bookmarked the link for E-giving in the past, please note that the address has changed. The link has been updated on the Aldersgate website and can be found under *About Us/Donate On Line*. Thank you for your continued support of the Church.

**LAKE FOREST WELCOME BACK** – Join us tomorrow, August 20, to help pass out water to families in the car pool lines. Meet in the Parker Hall kitchen at 1:45 pm.

**IN MEMORIUM**  
**Phil Allen Waynick**  
 November 3, 1934 ~ August 12, 2018  
*“Blessed are those who die in the Lord”*

**SERMON SERIES ON EPHESIANS** –“The Body of Christ” – Next week we will finish this series with the sermon Ephesians 6:10-20 “The Body of Christ: Onward Christian Soldiers.”

**SPECIAL OFFERING** – Today we are receiving a special offering for Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry, a ministry of the SC Conference which provides homes for adults with special needs. Please give generously.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**As of printing Thursday, August 16, 2018:**

**Home:** Beth & Warren Rambo, Tom Barnhill, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, Peggy Miller, Doug Jordan, John & Mary Holmstrand, JayLynn Bedford, Dewey Lemons, Mary Lou Stenberg, Jerry Thomas

**National Healthcare-Boiling Springs:** Ann Armstrong

**Rosecrest:** Jennie Ruth Waynick

**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

**Westminster Senior Living at Augusta Place:** Melba Poole

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

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

**CALENDAR**

**Sunday, August 19, 2018-Blessing of the Backpacks**

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am Meet/Greet for Josh & Jenny Consalvo-Commons

**Monday, August 20, 2018-Greenville Co. School Begins**

1:00 pm Prime Timers Bridge

2:00 pm Water Bottles to Lake Forest School- @ School car line

6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

6:32 pm United Methodist Men – Parker Hall

**Tuesday, August 21, 2018**

7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

**Wednesday, August 22, 2018**

9:00 am CDC Staff Meeting & Luncheon

**ATTENDANCE**  
**August 12, 2018**  
 Sunday School – 116  
 Worship - 237

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

2018 Average Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 15,498.09
2018 Average Weekly Actual Giving	\$ 13,569.67
Previous Week’s Actual General Fund Giving	\$ 14,267.92
Previous Week’s Actual General Fund Giving	\$ 12,622.00
<b>YTD Deficit in Actual Contributions to Expenses</b>	<b>- \$ 22,344.08</b>
<b>Sanctuary Media Project--raised to date</b>	<b>\$ 18,687.21</b>

**SERVING TODAY**

**Lay Readers:** 8:45 am Annie Garrett 11:00 am Debbie Strickland

**Greeters:** 8:45 am Ruth Ann & Marshall Gooch

11:00 am Susan & Bruce Royal

**Acolytes:** 8:45 am Karis King 11:00 am Anna Kate Schemm

**Crucifer:** 11:00 am Brooks Schemm

**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 Coley Altman, Grant Lankford, Doug Patrick,  
 Gray Walsh

**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)

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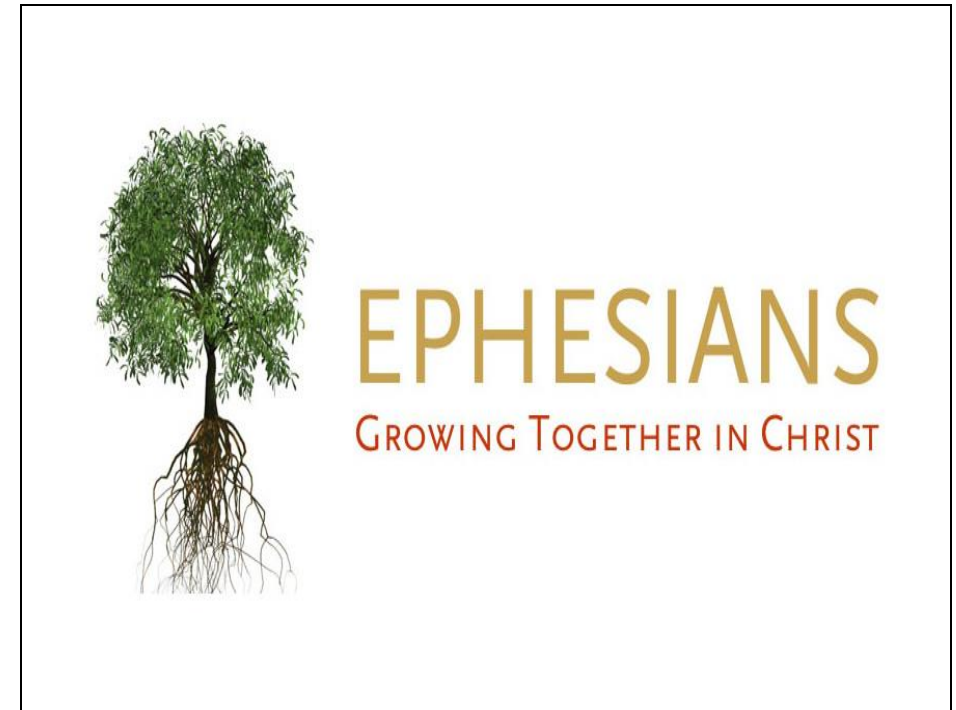
**MISSION STATEMENT**

... 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**

**August 19, 2018**

**Established October 9, 1960**

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

*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*