

SIXTEENTH 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 "Rain Down" by Jamie Cortez
The Chancel Choir

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***HYMN NO. 57** "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing"
(Omit vs-6)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Jesus brought healing love to all people.

People: They talked and marveled about his miracles.

Leader: But they really didn't understand him.

**People: They wanted the healing, but not necessarily
a change in their lives.**

Leader: Jesus brings us transforming compassion.

**People: Lord Jesus, keep our minds and our spirits
open to your life-changing words. AMEN.**

***A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE UNITED
CHURCH OF CANADA**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to
reconcile and make new, who works in us and
others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's
presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love
and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge
and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

***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.**

PRESENTATION OF 3RD GRADE BIBLES (11:00 only)

Miss Emily Burrell

Miss Riley Dill

Miss Lydia Patrick

Miss Julia Reel

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.**

CDC TEACHER RECOGNITION (See insert/11:00 only)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Robert D. Ingram

**Here Lord, we put out love into practice. These
gifts we offer came from your love for us. Now, let
them express our love for you, as they reach out to
others with your love for them. Amen.**

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

THE OFFERTORY "The Servant Song" by David Schwoebel
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 ~

***HYMN OF PREPARATION TFWS 2086**

"Open Our Eyes" (repeat)

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Johannah Myers

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 7:24-37 NT 42-43

²⁸But she answered him, "Yes, Lord; yet even
the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs."

THE MESSAGE "We are the Dogs" Rev. Alex Stevenson

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***HYMN NO. 367** "He Touched Me"

***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 honor of Gary & Ruth Hughes' wedding anniversary by
Brianna & Brant, Claudia and Sean Hughes.

THE WHITE ROSEBUDS ON THE ALTAR are placed in
loving memory of Mr. Jerry Thomas and Ms. Marge Hoagland.

**TODAY WE GIVE TO THE EPWORTH WORK DAY
OFFERING!** Today our church will receive the Annual
Epworth Work Day Offering to invest in the comprehensive
care we are called by God to provide for the children at
Epworth Children's Home, our church's ministry to God's
children. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the
United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity
to support this vital ministry. Give generously by using the
envelope provided for you in the bulletin. For more information
about Epworth Children's Home, visit them on the web at
www.epworthchildrenshome.org where you can also choose to
make a secure debit/credit card donation.

**THE UNITED MINISTRIES TRANSFORMATION WALK
& 5K RUN** will be held on Saturday, *Sept. 22*. See below for a
little of what your donations are helping with.

- *There are an estimated 1,200-1,500 homeless individuals in
Greenville County.*
- *In 2014, 14% (or 144,000) children in SC were living in
"extreme poverty" (in families with less than 50% of the
federal poverty level.)*
- *18.3% of people in SC were living below the poverty level in
2014.*

Your donations help with GED programs, food, shelter, etc. A
little can go a long way. Thank you for your support!

THE SHAWLS ON THE PEWS are from the Prayer Shawl
Ministry. Please feel free to use one while in the service.

THE SUSANNA WESLEY CIRCLE will be meeting on
September 11 in Parker Hall beginning at 12:00 pm. Lunch will
be served.

IN MEMORIUM

Mr. Jerry W. Thomas
February 13, 1941 ~ September 5, 2018

IN MEMORIUM

Ms. Marjorie C. Hoagland
July 8, ~ September 5, 2018

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE while we are still working on the pictorial directory. We are just about ready to hand it back over to Lifetouch for the next proofing. Thank you!

THE TIME IS ALMOST HERE! The Aldersgate United Methodist Women are gearing up for their Fall Garage Sale on **Sept. 28 & 29**. Donations will be accepted on Monday & Tuesday, Sept. 24 & 25 from 9:00 am – 8:00 pm and on Wednesday, Sept. 26 from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm. Clean out your attics and garages to get ready to donate your items. You can bring jewelry **NOW** to the church office.

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, September 6, 2018:

Home: Beth & Warren Rambo, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, Doug Jordan, John & Mary Holmstrand, Mary Lou Stenberg, Dewey Lemons, Terry Taylor, Tom Scott
NHC-B. Springs: Ann Armstrong **NHC Mauldin:** Atrice Hughey
Rosecrest: Jennie Ruth Waynick **Cascades:** Patti Whelchel
The Woodlands: Annette McDuffee, Peggy Miller
Haywood Estates: Ann Linse **Mt. Home Health, NC:** Nancy Reitz
Brookdale @ Hawthorne: Nita Bearden
Rock Hill /Daughter: Bill Taylor **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale
Mt. Pleasant, SC: Florence Hale
Westminster Senior Living/Augusta Place: Melba Poole
Rolling Green: Wayne Rowan, Ralph Bell

CALENDAR

Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship 9:45 am Sunday School
3:00 pm Cindy Harter Circle – Soul Café
5:30 pm Finance Committee Mtg.- Mac Vinson Companions Class

Monday, Sept.10, 2018

9:00 am Staff Meeting – Library
12:00 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall
6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018

10:30 am Louise Best Circle – Soul Café
12:00 pm Susanna Wesley Circle – Parker Hall
7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018

10:00 am Mary Teasley Circle – Soul Café
10:00 am Pastor’s Bible Study
5:30 pm Connect – Parker Hall
6:00 pm Youth @ The House
6:30 pm Classes (*Drawing class begins tonight*)

ATTENDANCE

September 2, 2018
Sunday School – 120 Worship - 200

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Worship the Lord through giving.

2018 Average Weekly Budgeted Giving	\$ 15,498.09
2018 Average Weekly Actual Giving	\$ 13,408.16
2018 Average Weekly Actual General Fund Expenses	\$ 14,406.98
Previous Week’s Actual General Fund Giving	\$ 11,355.00
YTD Deficit in Actual Contributions to Expenses	- \$ 34,958.65
Sanctuary Media Project--raised to date	\$ 21,387.21

SERVING TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:45 am Bill Smith 11:00 am Melissa Stevenson
Greeters: 8:45 am Nancy & Mike Burton
11:00 am Ruth & Gary Hughes
Acolytes: 8:45 am Brooks Davis 11:00 am Anna Hoffman
Crucifer: 11:00 am Ansley Addis
Usher Captains: 8:45 am Austin Watts 11:00 am Dave 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

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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
September 9, 2018

Established October 9, 1960
Open hearts...Open minds...Open doors
The people of The United Methodist Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation