

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST
ALL SAINTS DAY**

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 Ryland Brown

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***PROCESSION OF THE BANNER OF THE SAINTS**

The bells on the "Banner of Saints" represents the people on the attached sheet. The congregation will stand in silence as a memorial to these saints as the banner processes.

***THE HYMN NO. 711** "For All the Saints" SINE NOMINE

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 24:1-6)

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;

People: for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?

People: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

Leader: They will receive blessing from the LORD, and vindication from the God of their salvation.

People: Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

***AFFIRMATION FROM ROMANS 8:23, 37-39**

Leader: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

People: No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us.

We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

***IN REMEMBRANCE**

*We lovingly remember those church members
who have died since the last All Saints Sunday:*

INGRID AUTEN

AUDREY ROWAN

PATTY ANDERSEN

RUTH GUNTER

LAWRENCE STALLCUP

JANICE ELLINGTON

BARBARA MORROW

JULIAN HOWELL

LOIS KLAMFOTH

JUDY HUNTER

LORENE CLAY

PHIL WAYNICK

JERRY THOMAS

MARJORIE HOAGLAND

***PRAYER FOR ALL SAINTS DAY**

Eternal God, hope of all who trust in you, in Christ you weep with those who mourn even as you cry out in triumph over the grave. Unbind us from sin, release us from captivity, and with Lazarus, raise us from death to life, so that we may join that great crowd of saints who forever sing praise to your holy name; through Christ, the resurrection and the life. Amen

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS NO. 38 (11:00 am only)

Linda Howarth

THE ANTHEM 8:45 am "Blest Are They" by David Haas

Micah Arms and Kirby Burgess

11:00 am The Chancel Choir

MINISTRY CELEBRATION MOMENT Logan Bagley

Stephen Ministry and Nurture

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of love and uncountable blessings, we bring our gifts this day in the sight of our cloud of witnesses - the saints who have guided our lives and watch over our faithfulness from heaven's balcony. As we strive to live out their hope and faith in the promise of your kingdom, may we also rededicate ourselves to live so this world better reflects your kingdom and rule. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

Ryland Brown

***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. 712**

"I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Alex Stevenson

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING John 11:32-44 NT 105

⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out."

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING NT 259

Revelation 21:1-6

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth;
for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away,
and the sea was no more.

THE MESSAGE "We're Different" Rev. Alex Stevenson

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***THE HYMN NO. 357** "Just as I Am"

*(Sung in memory of Rev. Billy Graham whose 100th
birthday would have been Nov. 7, 2018.)*

***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.*

TODAY IS ALL SAINTS DAY. In the service this morning we will remember and celebrate the lives of the Aldersgate members who have died since last All Saints' Sunday. The All Saints' Banner is filled with bells that we in the congregation have attached to it, in remembrance, for friends and family members who have made, and still make, a difference in our lives. Our service will begin with the procession of this banner.

THE PASCAL CANDLE is the large candle just to the left of the altar table. Sometimes the Pascal Candle is also called the Easter Candle or the Christ Candle. It is usually lit during the Easter Season as a reminder of the presence of the Risen Christ. It is also used at memorial and funeral services to signify the hope of the resurrection. Today on All Saints' Day it is used to remind us of the eternal life promised to all who have died in Christ.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE TO THE GLORY OF GOD and in memory of all the Saints gone before us.

CHARGE CONFERENCE is on **November 11**, immediately following the 11:00 am service. All are invited to attend.

VETERANS DAY will be celebrated on **Sunday, November 11**, at both services. During the service we will be recognizing the Veterans who are present. If you are a Veteran please come so that we can thank you in person for your service! Veterans and their families are encouraged to bring memorabilia from their service to display in the Commons. Tables will be set up for displaying these items.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- NOVEMBER 6** Election Day—Please Vote
- NOVEMBER 11** Charge Conference for Aldersgate Veterans Day
- NOVEMBER 13** Lay Leadership District Meeting at Aldersgate -7: 00 pm
- NOVEMBER 17** Work Day for Aldersgate Trustees & Congregation
- NOVEMBER 18** Consecration Sunday
- NOVEMBER 22** Thanksgiving Day
- DECEMBER 6** Milk & Cookies with Santa – Parker Hall
- DECEMBER 1** Sheep Trail Begins in Downtown Greenville
- DECEMBER 9** Lessons & Carols Potluck Lunch—12: 00 pm Parker Hall-details to come
- DECEMBER 16** Messy Christmas 3: 30—6: 00 pm
- DECEMBER 24** Christmas Eve Services 5: 00 pm & 7: 00 pm
- DECEMBER 25** Christmas Day

ATTENDANCE

October 28, 2018

Sunday School – 152 Worship – 260

2018 Average Weekly Budgeted Giving	\$ 15,498.09
2018 Average Weekly Actual Giving	\$ 13,083.91
2018 Avg. General Fund Wkly Expenses	\$ 13,776.35
Previous Week's General Fund Giving	\$ 8,605.20
YTD Deficit in Actual Contributions to Expenses -	\$ 29,792.36
Sanctuary Media Project--raised to date	\$ 29,227.21

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, November 1, 2018

- Home:** Beth & Warren Rambo, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, John & Mary Holmstrand, Ann Armstrong, Lyn Kemp
- NHC Mauldin:** Atrice Hughey **Rosecrest:** Jennie Ruth Waynick
- Cascades:** Patti Whelchel **Mt. Pleasant, SC:** Florence Hale
- 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
- Westminster Senior Living/Augusta Place:** Melba Poole
- Rolling Green:** Wayne Rowan, Ralph Bell

SERVING TODAY

- Lay Readers:** 8:45 am Scott Bagley 11:00 am Lyndon Ashworth
- Greeters:** 8:45 am Dee & Gray Walsh
11:00 am Cheryl LePorte/Ann Ayer
- Acolytes:** 8:45 am Julian Gettys 11:00 am Coley Altman
- 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. 301)
- Josh Consalvo, Director of Youth (ext. 209)
- 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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Welcome to

**ALDERSGATE
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH**

All Saints' Sunday



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WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45 AM & 11:00 AM

November 4, 2018

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

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

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.

