## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 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

Ryland Brown

\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*THE HYMN NO. 370 "Victory in Jesus" HARTFORD

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 71:1-6

Leader: In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame!

People: In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me!

Leader: Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

People: Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

Leader: For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

People: Upon you I have leaned from before my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

#### \*THE APOSTLES' CREED NO. 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.

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#### \*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

David Bell

Nurturing God, You remind us that faith without love is meaningless. We present these gifts with love. We rejoice in our ability to share. May this moment of giving warm our hearts and stir our souls so that we remember to act consistently out of love in the name of Jesus. In His name, we pray. Amen.

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

**THE OFFERTORY** "King Jesus is a Listening" by Dawson 8:45 am Male Quartet 11:00 am Chancel Men

\*THE DOXOLOGY NO. 94 LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts;

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### ~ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD ~

**SCRIPTURE READING** 1 Corinthians 13 NT-175 <sup>13</sup>And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

**THE MESSAGE** Rev. Alex Stevenson "Knowing God: Love"

## ~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 HYMNS**

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

No. 378 "Amazing Grace"

No. 405 "Seek Ye First"

No. 618 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

No. 620 "One Bread, One Body"

No. 629 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

No. 641 "Fill My Cup, Lord"

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus, the Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### ~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

\*THE HYMN NO. 408 "The Gift of Love" GIFT OF LOVE \*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 our 53<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary celebrated in January by Cody & Nina Owens.

**VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCHEON** – If you are widowed, a widower, single or just in need of company on this day, feel free to sign-up to attend. There are sign-up sheets all around the church and in Sunday school rooms. It will be held in Parker Hall on February 14 at 12:00 noon. If you have further questions, call Dean or Pam Martin at 864-292-3942.

#### THANK YOU!

Thank you to the <u>anonymous</u> large donation that was given to the <u>General Fund</u> last week. We don't know who you are, but your kindness has been a blessing!

**SCOUT SUNDAY IS FEBRUARY 10!** There will be a spaghetti lunch fund raiser in Parker Hall for the cub scouts on this date as well. The lunch will begin at 11:00 am after Sunday school for anyone who would like to come eat. They will serve until everyone is full or the food is gone! © To go boxes will also be available. Thanks for the support.

#### ATTENDANCE – January 27, 2019

**Sunday School**- 145 - **Worship** 8:45 am -118 / 11:00 am - 151

Total Worship - 269

#### **OUR RECORD**

<b>General Fund Budget Needs (YTD)</b>	\$ 57,543.52
<b>Total General Fund Receipts (YTD)</b>	\$ 74,604.38
<b>Total General Fund Expenses</b>	\$ 41,507.51
YTD Surplus in Contributions to Expenses	\$ 33,096.87
<b>Previous Weeks General Fund Giving - week 4</b>	\$ 15,661.00

#### **YEAR END – 2018**

December 2018	YTD General Fund Budget \$ 805,901.00	
December 2018	YTD General Fund Giving \$ 746,164.08	
December 2018	YTD General Fund Expenses \$ 743,763.56	
December 2018	YTD General Fund Surplus \$ 2,400.52	

#### **Calendar**

#### Sunday, February 3: Communion

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship Service – Sanctuary

9:45 am Sunday School & Re-newed Members Class – Chapel

3:00 pm Cindy Harter Circle Meeting

5:00 pm Youth & Club 56

#### Monday, February 4:

11:00 am Prime Timers – Parker Hall

12:30 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall

6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

#### **Tuesday, February 5:**

9:30 am Women of Faith – Parker Hall

10:00 am Louise Best Circle – Soul Cafe

7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

#### Wednesday, February 6:

10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study – Mac Vinson Companions

5:30 pm Connect – Parker Hall

6:20 pm Children's Music

6:30 pm Classes

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

As of printing Thursday, January 30, 2019

**Greenville Memorial:** Rudy Rogers **St. Francis, Eastside:** Dave Herndon

**Home**: Beth & Warren Rambo, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, John & Mary Holmstrand, Ann Armstrong, Lillis Smith,

Kay Culbertson

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**

#### **Communions Helpers:**

8:45 am Waldo & Kathy Watts, Agnes Williams 11:00 am Robert & Lee Gettys, Debbie Kemp

Greeters: 8:45 am Bruce Schug 11:00 am Bill Williamson Lay Readers: 8:45 am John Myers 11:00 am Karis King Acolytes: 8:45 am Karis King 11:00 am James Whiteman

Crucifer: 11:00 am Rebekah MacGregor Usher Captain: 8:45 am Brad Smoak Ushers: Scott Bagley, Trevor King, Usher Captain: 11:00 am Rick Lankford

Ushers: Doug Patrick, Coley Altman, Mark Wessel,

Gray Walsh, Grant Lankford

#### **MINSTRY 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, Director of Music 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 Phone: 864/244-1820 Fax: 864/244-9701 Child Development Center...864/268-5028

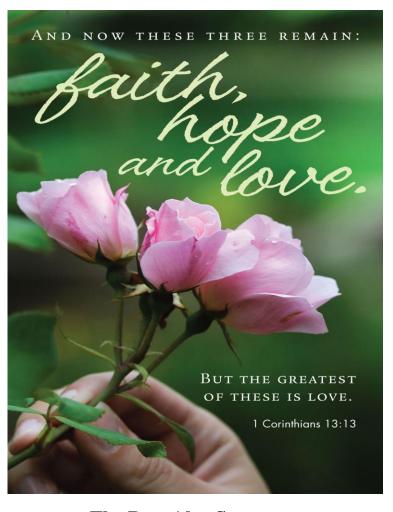
#### MISSION STATEMENT

... 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.

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

## Welcome to

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