

SEVENTH 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.)*

PRELUDE Ryland Brown

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***HYMN NO. 365** "Grace Greater than Our Sin"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come and learn the ways of life.

People: We have come to follow Jesus.

Leader: Love your enemies, and do good to those who hate you.

People: We have come to follow Jesus.

Leader: Bless those who curse you, and pray for those who persecute you.

People: We have come to follow Jesus.

Leader: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

People: We have come to follow Jesus.

Leader: Come and learn the ways of life.

***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. *universal

***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

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 "Still"

words & music by Molly Reed/Justin Ebach
The Praise Band

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord of Love and Compassion: Remind us again, as we present our tithes and offerings, that the real challenge of discipleship comes when we leave this place, as you send us into the world to respond in radical love to those who would judge us, hurt us, and threaten us. We pray this in the name of Jesus, who loved and forgave, even as he was tortured and nailed to a cross. Amen.

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Faithful Love of Jesus"

words & music by Don Poythress/Karen Roschelle/Barry Dean
The Praise Band

***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 ~

***HYMN OF PREPARATION TFWS 2162** "Grace Alone"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Josh Consalvo

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 6:27-38 NT-64

³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

THE MESSAGE

Rev. Alex Stevenson

"Knowing God: Generosity"

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***HYMN NO. 378**

"Amazing Grace"

***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 Mothers by Phil & Carol Martin.

SERMON SERIES-KNOWING GOD Today's sermon is the seventh in a series of eight sermons about ways that God is revealed to us. Come next Sunday for the conclusion on Transfiguration Sunday! Bring a friend so they can know God better too!

6 WEEK STUDY OF HOLY WEEK - Join us for a 6-week study of Holy Week beginning **February 20** as a part of Connect on Wednesdays. We'll be using a study by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine, Professor of New Testament studies at Vanderbilt Divinity School as our guide. Class begins at 6:30 in the Mac Vinson Companions classroom. Facilitated by Johannah Myers

WOMEN'S READING GROUP - The Aldersgate Women's Reading Group meets on the 4th Thursday of the month. See below for the list of dates and books for the next couple of months. We would love to have you join us!

February 28 The Same Sky: a novel
by Amanda Eyre Ward

March 28 Eleanor: a Spiritual Bio.
Harold Ivan Smith

UPCOMING DATES FOR IHN-(*Interfaith Hospitality Network of United Ministries*) March 5, 7, & 9 are our dates. Help is still needed for a Host on Saturday, March 9. That time frame is from 7 – 9 pm at John Knox Presbyterian Church. Contact Pam Attaway if you can help. 864-283-9114

Messy Church AND Pancakes?! Why not?!

Join us March 5 as we celebrate Shrove Tuesday and prepare to keep a Holy Lent!

Activities will help us celebrate Mardi Gras and to prepare our families for the 40 Days of Lent.

Activities are appropriate for all ages! This truly is a night for everyone. Plus, there will be PANCAKES!

March 5
Activities begin at 5:30,
Pancakes will be served from
6:00-7:00pm
Parker Hall, Aldersgate
Donations will be welcome
toward the cost of food.



Sponsored by Messy Church and United Methodist Men
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PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, February 20, 2019

St. Francis Eastside: Tom Barnhill
Rolling Green Healthcare: Fred Copeland
Home: Beth & Warren Rambo, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, John & Mary Holmstrand, Ann Armstrong, Lillis Smith, Kay Culbertson, Rudy Rogers
Oakview Park: Joan Pawlus **NHC Mauldin:** Atrice Hughey
Rosecrest: Jennie Ruth Waynick **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale
Cascades: Patti Whelchel **Mt. Pleasant, SC:** Florence Hale
The Woodlands: Annette McDuffee, Peggy Miller
Haywood Estates: Ann Linse **Rock Hill /Daughter:** Bill Taylor
Mt. Home Health, NC: Nancy Reitz
Brookdale @ Hawthorne: Nita Bearden
Westminster Senior Living/Augusta Place: Melba Poole
Rolling Green: Wayne Rowan, Ralph Bell

SERVING TODAY

Lay Reader: 8:45 am Wendy Davis 11:00 am Lyndon Ashworth
Greeters: 8:45 am Joe & Kay Sprott
11:00 am Maxine & Harry Hardin
Acolytes: 8:45 am Bobby Keith 11:00 am Anna Hoffman
Crucifer: 11:00 am Ansley Addis
Usher Captain 8:45 am Austin Watts
Usher Captain 11:00 am David Rose
Ushers: Doug Jordan, Phil Martin, Waldo Watts
Ushers: David Ayer, Clay Garrison, 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, 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 ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁵ bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.

Luke 6: 27-28 NIV

ATTENDANCE – February 17, 2019

Sunday School- 132 - Worship 8:45 am -100 / 11:00 am - 152

Total Worship - 252

OUR RECORD

General Fund Budget Needs (YTD)	\$ 100,701.17
Total General Fund Receipts (YTD)	\$ 135,896.43
Total General Fund Expenses (YTD)	\$ 93,600.53
YTD Surplus in Contributions to Expenses	\$ 42,295.90
Previous Weeks General Fund Giving - week 7	\$ 19,748.52

Calendar

Sunday, February 24:

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship Service – Sanctuary
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Re-newed Members Class – Chapel
5:00 pm Youth & Club 56

Monday, February 25:

12:30 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall
6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

Tuesday, February 26:

6:35 am Men of Integrity – Broadway Bagels on Hudson Rd.
9:30 am Women of Faith – Parker Hall
7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

Wednesday, February 27:

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

Thursday, February 28: Newsletter Published

10:00 am Women's Book Club - Library

The Rev. Alex Stevenson

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WORSHIP SERVICES

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February 24, 2019

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation