

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
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**

***HYMN NO. 127** "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(inspired by Psalm 27)*

Leader: God is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

People: God is our shelter and refuge on the days of trouble, and our hope and joy on the days of celebration!

Leader: Day after day, we seek God's face and the assurance of God's holy love:

People: O God, do not turn from us or hide your face from us! Be our guide and our light instead!

Leader: One thing we ask of God:

People: That we may live in God's dwelling place all the days of our life, and never cease to behold the beauty of God's home.

Leader: Beloved of God, enter this worship in thanksgiving, for God is among and within us!

People: Thanks be to God!

***Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 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.

***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 8:45 am "Shelter me, O God"

Danielle Knox, solo

11:00 am "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel"

by Roger Emerson

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of Salvation, you challenge us to remain connected wholeheartedly to your Word, rather than to spend time on petty worries and fears. You and you alone, lead us on a level path. Now, we ardently listen for your call in our lives. We praise you for reaching out to us. In this moment of offering a portion of our income to you, we reach out to you. We reach out seeking your grace. You are the stronghold of our lives! Praise to you now and forevermore. 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. 407** "Close to Thee"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. Alex Stevenson

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 OT 12

¹After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."

THE MESSAGE

Rev. Alex Stevenson

"God is our Shield"

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***HYMN NO. 419**

"I am Thine, O Lord"

***BENEDICTION**

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

**People: Hearts on Fire ... Seeking, Sharing,
Serving ... For God!**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** "Rain Down" by Cortez
The Chancel Choir

Rain down, rain down, rain down your love on your people.

Rain down, rain down, rain down your love, God of life

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***THE POSTLUDE**

**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 by Brenda & Terry Tallon.

SAVE THE DATE - The UMW garage sale will be here soon. First drop off date is **April 29**. Jewelry (only) may be left in the church office at any time.

ALDERSGATE WILL PARTNER WITH *Lake Forest Elementary School* to provide bags of weekend food for 19 students on April 12 and May 10. The Kingdom Class will assemble and deliver the bags to Lake Forest. If you would like to donate food items please bring them to the Kingdom Sunday school class (Brides Room). It would be a blessing!

Items Needed

Gallon sized ziploc bags	Individual applesauce
Juice boxes (100% juice)	Shelf stable chocolate milk
Fruit cups	Small cereal boxes
Small pop top cans (tuna, mac n'cheese, spaghetti)	
Other individual nutritious snacks	

A BIG THANK YOU to all those who participated last week with the IHN family. We know each one who participated was blessed by this experience. Thank you for volunteering!

CINDERELLA PROJECT - It's Cinderella Project time again! **Saturday, March 30**, (10am- 1pm). This wonderful program, sponsored by the Young Lawyers Association, provides prom dresses, shoes and accessories for the young women of Greenville – free of charge. They will accept all sizes of dresses and dress shoes that have been properly cleaned and stored. If you would like to volunteer for this event, please contact Ruth Hughes (244-1820 Ext. 204) and let her know. If you would like to come look for a dress, all you need is your school ID! For more information, go to their website: <https://www.cinderellaprojectsc.com/>.

ATTENDANCE – March 10, 2019

Sunday School - 113

Worship 8:45 am - 99 / 11:00 am - 166

Total Worship - 265

OUR RECORD

General Fund Budget Needs (YTD)	\$ 143,858.82
Total General Fund Receipts (YTD)	\$ 178,155.97
Total General Fund Expenses (YTD)	\$ 132,871.78
YTD Surplus in Contributions to Expenses	\$ 45,284.19
Previous Weeks General Fund Giving – week 10	\$ 10,443.48

February 2019 YTD General Fund Budget	\$ 123,780.33
February 2019 YTD General Fund Giving	\$ 149,197.18
February 2019 YTD General Fund Expenses	\$ 122,073.36
February 2019 YTD General Fund Surplus	\$ 27,132.82

CALENDAR

Sunday, March 17:

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/ 9:45 am Re-newed Mem. Class - Chapel

5:00 pm Youth & Club 56

Monday, March 18:

9:00 am Staff Meeting - Library

12:30 pm Prime Timers Bridge – Parker Hall

6:32 pm United Methodist Men – Parker Hall

6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ The House

Tuesday, March 19:

6:35 am Men of Integrity – Broadway Bagels-Hudson Rd.

9:30 am Women of Faith – Parker Hall

7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

Wednesday, March 20:

10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study

5:30 pm Connect –Parker Hall

6:20 pm Children's Music

6:30 pm Classes

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing **Thursday, March 13, 2019:**

Mary Black, Spartanburg: Joan Sanford

Rolling Green Healthcare: Fred Copeland

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

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 Suzanne Haney 11:00 am Lyndon Ashworth

Greeters: 8:45 am Michelle & Stephen Keith

11:00 am Susan & Bruce Royal

Acolytes: 8:45 am Bobby Keith 11:00 am James Whiteman

Crucifer: 11:00 am Hudson Patrick

Usher Captains: 8:45 am Jack Cornell 11:00 am Hunt Redfern

Ushers: 8:45 am Jim Dansby, Danny Dobbs, Suzanne Haney,
Jordan Truesdale

11:00 am Steve Graves, Bruce Royal, Terry Tallon,
Joel Vanderwood

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

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

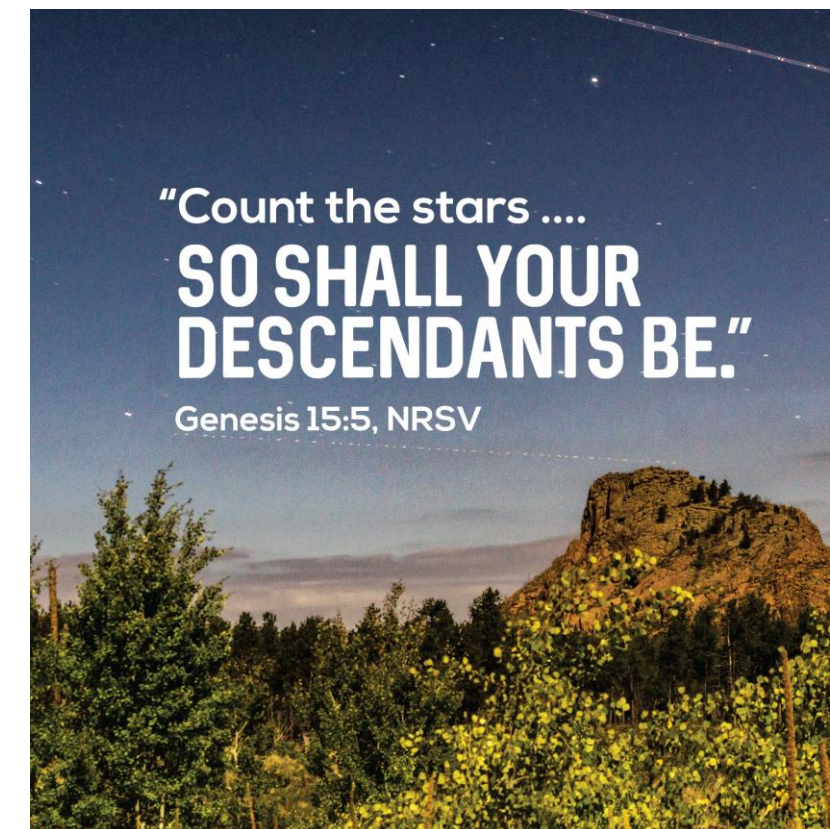
Hearts on Fire...Seeking, Sharing, Serving...For God!

Welcome to

ALDERSGATE

UNITED METHODIST

CHURCH



The Rev. Alex Stevenson

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Greenville, South Carolina 29615

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WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45 am & 11:00 am

March 17, 2019

Established October 9, 1960

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

A Stephen Ministry Congregation