

THIRD 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.)

INTROIT "The Heavens Sing Praises" by Beethoven
Kirby Burgess, solo

*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*HYMN NO. 295 "In The Cross of Christ I Glory"

*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Isaiah 55 and Psalm 42)

Leader: Come to the waters you who are thirsty; though you have no money, come! Buy wine and milk without money, and without cost.

People: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God!

Leader: Why spend money on what does not satisfy? Listen to me, and you will have good things to eat, and rich food to enjoy.

People: My soul hungers for God, for the living God!

Leader: Seek the Lord while he is still to be found; call to him while he is near.

People: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God!

*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.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS NO. 38 (8:45 am only)

Kennetha Bennett, Florence Hilton, and Susan Payne

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 "The Call" by Vaughan Williams

Micah Arms, solo

11:00 am "Come All Who Thirst" by Hal Hopson

The Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of love and forgiveness, we offer our gifts this morning, knowing that we have chased after things that we thought would bring joy, and then found them to be empty and unfulfilling. Lord, we long to return to you and invest ourselves in things that last and that bring lasting joy, as we seek you in every moment, with all we have and all we are. We pray this in Christ's holy name. 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. 405 "Seek Ye First"

THE CHILDREN'S TIME

Ruth Hughes

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 55:1-9 OT 685-686

¹ Ho, every one who thirsts, come to the waters;
and he who has no money come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

THE MESSAGE

"Dinner's Ready!"

Rev. Alex Stevenson

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

*HYMN NO. 339 "Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast"

*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 Martha Wood by the Mac Vinson Companions Sunday school class.

GUESS WHAT!!! Spring is coming and right behind is the **UMW GARAGE SALE**. Please start saving items now and bring jewelry (only) to the church office any time. **SORRY, NO TVs ACCEPTED.** **SALE WEEK** is April 29 – May 4.

UMCOR SUNDAY-Next Sunday we will receive a special offering for the United Methodist Committee on Relief. This is the relief agency of the United Methodist Church. UMCOR's administrative expenses are paid through this special offering not through apportionments or donations for specific relief efforts. Please give generously to support this valuable ministry.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN CELEBRATE 150 YEARS! Stop by the round table in the center of the Commons today to have a piece of cake as we celebrate. United Methodist Women have been in service for 150 years. We thank you too as you have supported us through many years.

March 23, 1869 ~ March 23, 2019

ALL HANDS-ON-DECK for this fun event. This is a big event for us and we need **YOU** to come help. Call Johannah to help. Volunteers still needed for activities and to help with the meal. Thanks for volunteering! 864-244-1820 ext. 211



JOIN US FOR EASTER GARDEN FUN!

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! CELEBRATION TIME AND AN EASTER EGG HUNT WITH FREE DINNER. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

3:30 — 6:00 PM

ALDERSGATE UMC - 7 SHANNON DR, GREENVILLE
WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/MESSYCHURCH.AUMCSC

ATTENDANCE – March 17, 2019

Sunday School - 147

Worship 8:45 am - 103 / 11:00 am - 171

Total Worship - 274

OUR RECORD

General Fund Budget Needs (YTD)	\$ 158,244.70
Total General Fund Receipts (YTD)	\$ 188,327.74
Total General Fund Expenses (YTD)	\$ 151,891.34
YTD Surplus in Contributions to Expenses	\$ 36,436.40
Previous Weeks General Fund Giving – week 11	\$ 10,171.77

CALENDAR

Sunday, March 24:

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
5:00 pm Youth & Club 56

Monday, March 25:

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

Tuesday, March 26:

6:35 am Men of Integrity – Broadway Bagels-Hudson Rd.
7:00 am Special Elections – Parker Hall – until 7:00 pm
9:30 am Women of Faith – Soul Cafe
7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

Wednesday, March 27:

10:00 am Pastor’s Bible Study
5:30 pm Connect – Parker Hall
6:30 pm Children’s Music
6:30 pm Classes

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Thursday, March 20 2019:

Mary Black Hospital, Spartanburg: Joan Sanford
Rolling Green Healthcare: Fred Copeland
Home: Beth & Warren Rambo, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, John & Mary Holmstrand, Ann Armstrong, Bill Culbertson, Julia Burdette, Lillis Smith, Tom Barnhill, 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 Rev. Alex Stevenson
11:00 am Ruth McAllister
Greeters: 8:45 am Susan & Bill Smith
11:00 am Julia & Kevin Schemm
Acolytes: 8:45 am Ansley Addis 11:00 am Laura MacGregor
Crucifer: 11:00 am Rebekah MacGregor
Usher Captains: 8:45 am Austin Watts 11:00 am David Rose
Ushers: 8:45 am Doug Jordan, Phil Martin, Waldo Watts
11:00 am 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, 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

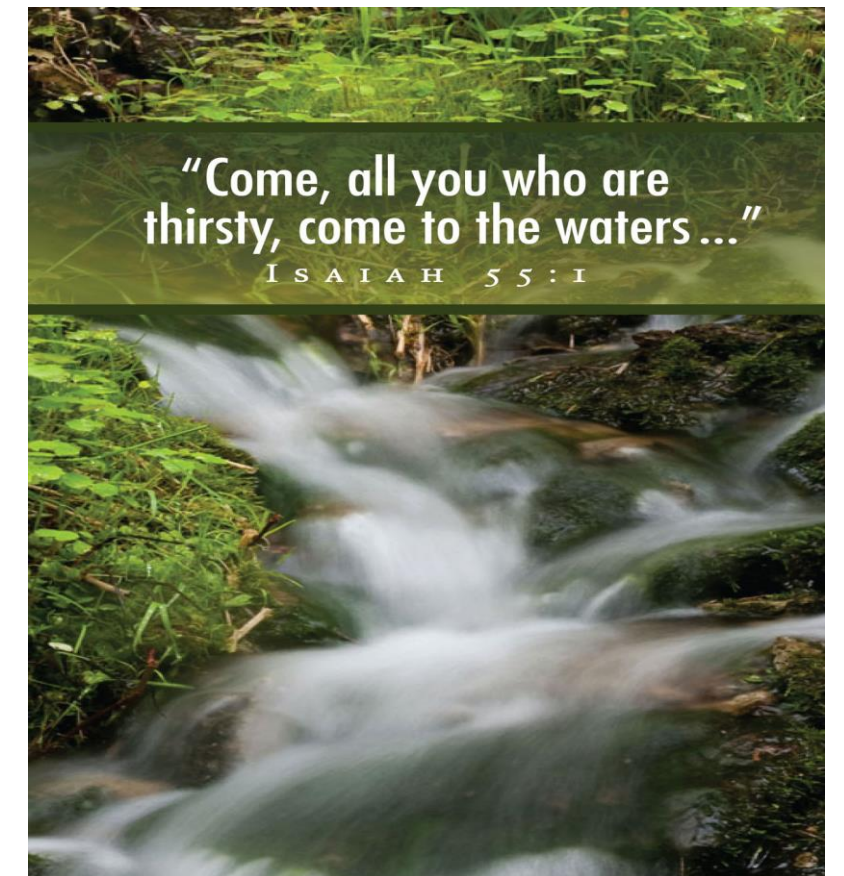
MISSION STATEMENT

... 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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WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45 am & 11:00 am

March 24, 2019

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

A Stephen Ministry Congregation