

**SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
MORNING WORSHIP ~ 8:45 & 11:00 A.M.**

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**~ GATHERING ~**

**\*\*WELCOME, REGISTRATION, ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(Please sign the attendance sheet and pass it  
to the end of the pew for usher pickup.)*

**THE OPENING PRAYER**

**THE PRELUDE** Ryland Brown

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*HYMN NO. 451** "Be Thou My Vision"

**~ PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE ~**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: How glorious it is to hear of Jesus' resurrection.

**People: At his death, our hearts cried out and we felt lost.**

Leader: But he comes to us and walks with us, even now.

**People: In the Holy Word, in the music, in the prayers—He is present with us.**

Leader: Open your hearts to the Lord.

**People: Lord, help us really be ready to receive you into our lives. Amen.**

**\*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.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** VBS Celebration

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, THE PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(prayed together)*

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

**THE OFFERTORY** "O Divine Redeemer"  
by Charles Gounod  
8:45 am Tyrese Byrd 11:00 am Ellen Chamblee

**\*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!**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION TFWS NO. 2086**

"Open Our Eyes"

**SCRIPTURE READING** Luke 24: 13-35 NT. 90

**THE MESSAGE**

"The Greatest Sermon You've Never Heard"

Rev. Michael Bingham

**~ SENDING FORTH ~**

**\*HYMN NO. 364** "Because He Lives"

**\*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.*

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

To be a child of God is to remain a finite, mortal creature by nature but to share by grace in that very fellowship and life that characterize God... In order to bring this salvation about, God the Son has himself stepped into human experience personally and has become our Brother in order to make us adopted children, so that we too might share with him in the very joy, the very love that he has enjoyed from all eternity with his Father.

—Donald Fairbairn, *Grace and Christology in the Early Church*

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE TO THE** Glory of God and in memory of Doug Justus by Margaret Justus.

**HOME GATHERINGS ARE COMING!** In the next week or so you may receive an invitation to attend a "Home Gathering." These are small groups (*15 or less*) of persons who will meet in members homes with Pastor Michael beginning on July 31. This is an informal setting for him to meet and get to know the people of Aldersgate. We hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity. Each of us will only need to attend a single Home Gathering, and there will be multiple opportunities to attend in case you cannot make it to a particular one.

**CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** next week on Thursday afternoon and Friday as the staff will be on a planning retreat.

**COMPANION GROUPS** will begin in late August. These groups are inter-generational discipleship groups for families of all ages, shapes, and sizes. Companion groups meet monthly. Groups set their own schedule. For more information, contact Johannah ([jmyers@aumcsc.org](mailto:jmyers@aumcsc.org)). The deadline to register is August 11.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** was an "out of this world" success thanks to the hard work of our many volunteers. It could not have happened without you, and we appreciate your effort.

**OUR RECORD**

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| General Fund Budget Needs (YTD)              | \$ | 417,190.58 |
| Total General Fund Receipts (YTD)            | \$ | 445,338.48 |
| Total General Fund Expenses (YTD)            | \$ | 400,787.86 |
| Surplus in Contributions to Expenses (YTD)   | \$ | 44,550.62  |
| Weekly General Fund Budget Needs             | \$ | 14,385.88  |
| Previous Weeks General Fund Giving – week 28 | \$ | 19,751.72  |

**ATTENDANCE**

July 21, 2019

Sunday School – 80 8:45 am – 109 11:00 am – 171  
Total Worship - 280

July 28, 2019  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“The Greatest Sermon You’ve Never Heard”

Text: **Luke 24:13-35**

p. 90 in the New Testament of the Pew Bible

✚ This story—our story—is a \_\_\_\_\_.

✚ Thomas C. Oden wrote, “\_\_\_\_\_ do not explain \_\_\_\_\_ alone is what can explain \_\_\_\_\_.”

✚ We see \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_.

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**CALENDAR FOR JULY 2019**

**Sunday, July 28:**

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship  
9:45 am Summer Sunday School—Parker Hall

**Monday, July 29:**

1:00 pm Prime Timers Bridge—Parker Hall  
6:30 pm Cub Scouts @ the House

**Tuesday, July 30:**

1:00 pm Tuesday Bridge Group  
6:30 pm Financial Peace - Library  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts at the House

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

As of printing Wednesday, July 24, 2019:

**Home:** Maxine Hardin, Beth & Warren Rambo, Pete & Martha Hendrix, John & Mary Holmstrand, Ann Armstrong, Tom Barnhill, Rudy Rogers, Joan Sanford

**NHC Mauldin:** Atrice Hughey **NHC Greenville:** Fred Copeland

**Memory Care of Simpsonville:** Jennie Ruth Waynick

**Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale **The Woodlands:** Peggy Miller

**Cascades:** Patti Whelchel **Oakview Park:** Joan Pawlus

**Rolling Green:** Wayne Rowan, Ralph Bell

**Haywood Estates:** Ann Linse **Rock Hill/Daughter:** Bill Taylor

**Brookdale @ Hawthorne:** Nita Bearden

**Westminster Senior Living/Augusta Place:** Melba Poole

**SERVING ALDERSGATE**

**Lay Reader:** 8:45 am John Myers 11:00 am Lyndon Ashworth

**Greeters:** 8:45 am Danny & Cookie Dobbs  
11:00 am Jane & Bill Williamson

**Acolytes:** 8:45 am Julian Gettys 11:00 am Henry Addis

**Crucifer:** 11:00 am Graham Addis

**Usher Captain:** 8:45 am David McAvoy 11:00 am Frank Mathis

**Ushers:** 8:45 am Eddie Beam., Suzanne Haney, Tim Davis  
11:00 am Coley Altman III, Trey Covington, Jim Cox,  
Bonnie Lampe, Paul Sleight

**MINISTRY STAFF**

The Rev. Michael Bingham, Pastor (ext. 207)

Dr. 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. 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

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**WORSHIP SERVICES**

8:45 am & 11:00 am

July 28, 2019

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The people of The United Methodist Church

*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*