

## Sunday, April 24, 2022



The congregation of Washington Street UMC praises and serves God from the heart of the city in ways that reach our neighbors near and far. We welcome and affirm all who seek the love and mercy of Christ regardless of race, creed, age, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic status. We honor traditions as rooted in our history, our expression of worship, and our respect for theological curiosity. We nonetheless see vital change and ongoing renewal as essential for spiritual growth.

### WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2nd Sunday of Easter-Divine Mercy Sunday April 24, 2022

Liturgical Color: White. Representing a Holy Day.

(As our worship begins, please silence any electronic devices. Portable hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.)

#### GATHERING IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

Prelude from Twenty-four Pieces in Free Style, Opus 31

Louis Vierne

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

\*CALLTO WORSHIP

One: Loving God, you came to us and lived among us.

All: But the world did not recognize you and crucified you.

One: However, the power of Divine love

All: Is stronger than death, so you rose from the dead.

One: Thankfully, we know the truth, and the truth has set us free.

All: Now we proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

\*HYMN #139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

Words: Joachim Neander, 1680; sts. 1, 3, 5 trans. by Catherine Winkworth, 1863; st. 2 by S. Paul Schilling, 1986; st. 4 by Rupert E. Davies, 1983 (Ps. 103:1-6; 150) Music: *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665; harm. by William Sterndale Bennett, 1864

OPENING 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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Susan Caskey

(After the Children's Moments, children, 2 yrs. to first grade, may be dismissed to Children's Church)

**OFFERTORY** 

I know that my Redeemer liveth From Messiah

G. F. Handel

Soloist: Maria Beery

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674 Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"An Affirmation from I Corinthians 15:1-6 & Colossians 1:15-20"

UMH #888

\*THE GLORIA PATRI #70

MEINEKE

Words: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent. Music: Charles Meineke, 1844

\*GOSPEL LESSON

Acts 5:17-21a

SERMON "Aftermath"

Rev. Alston Lippert

\*HYMN # 181 Ye Servants of God

HANOVER

Words: Charles Wesley, 1744 (Rev. 7:9-12) Music: Attr. to William Croft, 1708

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE Rigaudon André Campra

\*Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.

When our worship ends, our service begins!



# Epworth's Mother's Day Offering!

EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY! Did you know that in the last year Epworth Children's Home served over 1,000 children and families? Each of these children had this opportunity because of United Methodist churches in South Carolina who embrace and provide for this ministry in support of the children and families in our state.

We will participate in the annual Mother's Day Offering on Sunday, May 8, 2022, to benefit the children who call Epworth home, as well as each child and family touched by Epworth's ministries. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org. You may also give online through Realm Connect until the end of May.

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#### PRAYER THOUGHT

We can expect big trouble when we try to answer our own prayers.

#### PRAYER LIST

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David Byrum
Heidi Conte
Walter Dean
Mickey Epting
Michelle Graham

Rev. Paul Harmon
Bud Harrelson
Karen Horne
Geneva Hutchinson
Lisa Johnson
Debby Joyner
Rev. Judy King

Martha Helen King Mike LeFever Paul McClanahan David Middleton Genie & Ron Quinn Rufus Rogers Rick Rowe Boyd Saunders Stephanie Saunders Sarah Threatt Edee Vaughan Ingrid Williams Kelly Wright Our homebound

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The flowers in today's service are given to the honor and glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Hannah Pauline Jessup and Justin Woodrow Paxton Marcell on April 22, 2022.



#### SERVING TODAY

Ushers
Sound/Video
Visitor Cards
Pew Maintenance
Nursery

Tommy Betenbaugh, Alan-Jon Zupan Lynn Shirley/Jane Peterson Suzanne Joye

Worship Team
Gwen Murphy

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

(as of 4-21-22):

Church Budget: TBD—PENDING FINANCE

COMMITTEE APPROVAL
Church Actual: \$158,461

Soup Cellar: \$17,929 Foundation Gifts: \$250

Attendance on 4/17/22: 236 (in-person); 155 (online as of 4/21/22); TOTAL = 391