



Motherly Love'

May 8, 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

4th Sunday of Easter
May 8, 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

Adagio from Symphonie V., Opus 42, No. 1

Charles-Marie Widor

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come together to praise God through whom all families on earth receive their life.

All: We come to celebrate mothers and support families who practice peace in their homes and in their communities.

One: Let us honor our mothers and the women of faith who have nurtured us as we thank God for their influence on our families and communities.

All: Let us worship, trusting God's love and mercy will guide us all through Jesus Christ, the Risen Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #381

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

Words: Attr. to Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1836 (Jn. 10:1-29)

Music: William B. Bradbury, 1859

PASTORAL 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.

*BAPTISMAL HYMN #611

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

STUTTGART

Words: Ronald S. Cole-Turner, 1981

Music: Attr. to C. F. Witt, 1715; adapt. By Henry J. Gauntlett, 1861

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (UMH #39)

ANTHEM

I Will Arise

arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Ann Jessup

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

MINISTRY MOMENT

Epworth Children's Home

OFFERTORY

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Howard Helvey

Soloist: Maria Beery

Bassoon: Bob Evans

(Giving is easy! Place your gift in the offering plate; text the word "CONNECTIONS" to the number 73256; donate through Realm Connect; visit us online at wsmethodist.org/giving; or mail a check to WSUMC, 1401 Washington St., Columbia, SC 29212; or scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin. If you gave online, you may place one of the "I Gave Online" cards located in the pew rack with the giving envelopes into the offering plate.)

*DOXOLOGY #94

LASST NUNS ERFREUEN

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapt. by Gilbert H. Vieira, 1978

Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

SCRIPTURE LESSON

I John 4:7-13

SERMON

"Motherly Love"

Rev. Becky Shirley

*HYMN #733

Marching to Zion

MARCHING TO ZION

Words: Isaac Watts, 1707; refrain by Robert Lowry, 1867

Music: Robert Lowry, 1867

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Louis Shirer

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

When our worship ends, our service begins!

Rev. Shirley joins the entire staff and Washington Street Church family in expressing our deepest sympathy and Christian love to Ann and Reverend Mickey Bell in the passing of Ann's mother Geneva J. Hutchinson on May 4, 2022.

Epworth's Mother's Day Offering!

TODAY WE GIVE TO THE EPWORTH MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING! Today our church will receive the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering to provide loving care, safety, and services for the children at Epworth Children's Home. Please find information about Epworth and the Mother's Day Offering on the bulletin insert. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. Give generously by using the envelope provided for you in the bulletin. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org where you can also choose to make a secure credit card donation or enroll for monthly contributions.

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PRAYER THOUGHT

God answers prayers because His children ask.

PRAYER LIST

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Mickey Epting
Rev. Paul Harmon

Bud Harrelson
Karen Horne
Lisa Johnson
Debby Joyner
Rev. Judy King
Martha Helen King

Mike LeFever
Paul McClanahan
David Middleton
Genie & Ron Quinn
Rick Rowe
Boyd Saunders

Stephanie Saunders
Sarah Threatt
Edee Vaughan
Kelly Wright
Our homebound

FLOWERS

The flowers used in today's service are given to the honor and glory of God and in loving memory of Noemi Carrasco by Alma Louise, Rosemary, Teddy, Elizabeth and Pato Aravena.

TODAY'S BAPTISM

Today we celebrate the baptism of Nora Blair Middleton, granddaughter of Evelyn & Scott Middleton; daughter of Lauren and Greg Middleton and brother of Greg Middleton.

SERVING TODAY

Ushers	Tommy Betenbaugh, Alan-Jon Zupan
Sound/Video	Lynn Shirley
Visitor Cards	Suzanne Joye
Pew Maintenance	Worship Team
Nursery	Shelley Stafford

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

(as of 5-22-22):

Church Budget: TBD—PENDING

FINANCE COMMITTEE

APPROVAL

Church Actual: \$190,629
Soup Cellar: \$21,245
Foundation Gifts: \$250



Save the date!
Sunday, June 5, 2022
12:00 pm | Threatt Hall
A Covered Dish Graduate Celebration

Do you have a high school or college graduate that you would like to acknowledge? Send their name, school, degree or future plans, along with seven photos of their life journey (baby to grad) to jane@wsmethodist.org no later than Friday, May 27.

Attendance on 5/1/22: 118 (in-person); 80 (online as of 5/6/22); TOTAL = 198

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