



# "Motherly Love"

## May 8, 2022



**WASHINGTON  
STREET**  
—  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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](http://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](http://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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Heidi Conte  
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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