



July 3, 2022

Interdependence Day



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

July 3, 2022 | 4nd Sunday after Pentecost | Liturgical Color: Green

*(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

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather this morning appreciating our freedom to worship God.

All: We come with open hearts seeking healing for our nation and our lives.

One: Weeping or joyful, mourning or dancing, come as you are, for all are welcome here.

All: We desire to live in harmony and peace together with all peoples on the earth.

One: May you feel God's peace now as we worship, understanding that peace on earth begins in our hearts.

All: We draw near to and worship the God who rules over all nations. Amen.

*Hymn #66

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
Words: Henry F. Lyte, 1834 (Ps. 103)
Music: John Goss, 1869

LAUDA ANIMA

CALL TO CONFESSION (adapted from 2 Kings: 5)

Sometimes God gives us the simplest of instructions, yet they don't seem worthy of our time or commitment. Knowing that we digress and acknowledging that we transgress, let us confess our sins together at this time with our prayer of confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (adapted from 2 Kings: 5 and Psalm 30 to be prayed in Unison)

O God of people and nations, we cry for your help. We have not followed your will in all things. We have not helped bear one another's burdens. We have not been your faithful laborers going out into your harvest. We have fallen into the pit of self-deception and self-reliance again. When we forget how much we have, remind us of our abundance. When we take pride in our status and think ourselves better than others, grant us humility. When we use wealth and power to get our own way at the expense of others, correct us. Heal us and forgive us. We pray that we may be a force for wholeness and peace in this world. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Psalm 30 and Galatians 6)

God's anger lasts but a moment, but God's favor lasts a lifetime. Anyone who has washed is made clean and anyone who has asked is pardoned! In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and restored! Amen.

ANTHEM

Children of the Heavenly Father
WSUMC Choir

arr. Dan Forrest

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Mackin Wall

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

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (Galatians 6)

"You reap whatever you sow," says the Apostle Paul, "so wherever we have the opportunity, let us work for the good of all." For the nurture of this family of faith, and for the ministry to a world in need, let us now give joyfully as we present our tithes and offerings.

OFFERTORY

Mothering God
Soloist: Cody Lidge

Tom Trenney

(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; 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 #95

OLD 100th

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

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

2 Kings 5:1-14 and Galatians 6:1-10

SERMON

"Interdependence Day"

Rev. Becky Shirley

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: May the Lord our God be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Children of God, lift up your hearts!

All: We lift them to the One who heals us at the Table of brokenness.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: We will sing our praises to the One who restores us to life.

Let us pray: Holy One of all people, your healing river flowed through creation...

Holy, holy, holy are you, God the Creator!

The mountains sing your praises, the valleys echo your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

We welcome the One who comes in your name and calls us to life.

Hosanna in the highest!

Holy are you, God of compassion, for when death threatened your children...

Christ died, bearing our burdens.

Christ was raised, mocking death's power.

Christ will return, for the good of all.

Healing Spirit—come now...

GIVING AND RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

*HYMN #620

One Bread, One Body ONE BREAD, ONE BODY
Words: John B. Foley, 1978 (1 Cor. 10:16-17; Gal. 3:28; 1 Cor. 12)
Music: John B. Foley, 1987; harm. by Gary Alan Smith, 1988

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

**Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.
When our worship ends, our service begins!*

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PRAYER THOUGHT

When you sin and continue to fail, keep praying. God keeps on loving you.

PRAYER LIST

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Heidi Conte

Jimmy Dawkins

Mickey Epting

Rev. Paul Harmon

Bud Harrelson

Karen Horne

Mike Hutto

Lisa Johnson

Debby Joyner

Rev. Judy King

Martha Helen King

Mike LeFever

Paul McClanahan

David Middleton

Genie & Ron Quinn

Frances "Tut" Robertson

Rick Rowe

Boyd Saunders

Stephanie Saunders

Nicholas Todd Shumate

Sarah Threath

Edee Vaughan

Jim Ward

Our homebound

SERVING TODAY

Organ

Piano

Ushers

Sound/Video

Visitor Cards

Pew Maintenance

Nursery

Children's Church

Communion Ushers

Online Service Moderator

Louis Shirer

Dr. Rick Frierson

Tommy Betenbaugh, Alan-Jon Zupan

Lynn Shirley/Grant Jackson

Suzanne Joye

Sarah Jones

Holland Hathaway, Carter Vaughn,

Jane Polk

Mackin Wall

Susan Caskey, Kathy Wright

Ed McClain

STEWARDSHIP REPORT**(YTD as of 6-30-22):****Church Budget: \$865,000**

Church \$272,522

Soup Cellar \$38,589

Foundation \$17,930

SCAN TO GIVE

Summer VBS Nights!
(PARENTS' NIGHT OUT)
July 6th. & Aug. 3rd
Ages 4 to 12 | 5:00-8:00 pm
Music | Games | Bible Stories | Food & Fun!

Nursery available for newborn to 3 yrs.

Attendance on 6/26/22: 96 (in-person); 122 (online as of 6/30/22); TOTAL = 218

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