

# THE CONNECTION

April 16, 2023

# **Church Council Makes Important Statement**

ur church has stood on this corner of Washington and Marion Streets for 220 years. Over those 220 years, Washington Street has been a bold leader across the city and across the state of South Carolina. Those 220 years has enabled Washington Street Church to see the many changes and evolutions affecting our society, this state, this country, and this denomination...and through that, we are still standing proudly as a leader on this corner.

In January our District Superintendent, Rev Fran Elrod, visited and held a question-and-answer session here in this sanctuary. The meeting was to share with the WS congregation a message and perspective from her and The Bishop and to keep all informed of what is occurring in the district and in the conference related to recent stories in the news concerning the Methodist denomination.

Out of that session, it was recognized the importance of clear communication, especially to our fellow Methodist siblings that may be displaced if they find that their home church considers disaffiliation from the denomination.

With that spark, the Church Council took up the mantle to draft a clear statement stating this church's commitment to the United Methodist denomination and to reconfirm Washington Street Church as a safe harbor to those seeking inclusive love and a place of healing. Through many drafts and multiple revisions, the Church Council worked as a team and voted and approved the following resolution:

This resolution will be posted in the narthex and around the church campus. Our Communications Team will publish it to our website, share it with the district, and share it via social media and other methods of communication as deemed appropriate. Please feel proud that your Church Council heard the



call, and our church continues to be a bold leader and beacon on this corner of Washington and Marion Streets.

You may also watch a clip of the announcement on our YouTube channel at <u>youtu.be/1vKRvjobpGM</u>. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Lee Haynes at <u>lelandhaynesjr@gmail.com</u>. **PROUD MEMBER OF** 



"Washington Street United Methodist Church is committed to remaining part of the United Methodist (UM) denomination. We do so with the strong expectation that the 2024 General Conference will amend the Book of Discipline by removing all harmful and prohibitive language relating to LGBTQIA+ persons, and thus allow the ordination of LGBTQIA+ clergy and marriage ceremonies for LGBTQIA+ couples performed by UM clergy and/or conducted in UM churches. These amendments to the Book of Discipline will enable the United Methodist Church to reflect the inclusive love of Jesus Christ more faithfully and more fully live out its motto of 'Open Hearts... Open Minds... Open Doors.'

Washington Street UMC continues to be a welcoming and affirming space for all of God's children, including our LGBTQLA+ siblings. Our congregation will be a safe harbor and place of healing for persons whose churches are separating from the UMC."

### Getting to Know...The Rev. Adrienne Fink

By Fran Zupan

Then the Rev. Adrienne Fink talks with senior adults about the unique challenges of getting older, she does a lot of listening and then offers compassionate support.

As a chaplain at Prisma Health, she hears patients tell stories about their illnesses, declining independence, approaching death and grief.

It's a hard job, "but it's beautiful," she said. "Some of the most difficult moments are the most holy moments.

"Often, I'm with a family as their loved one is dying. Sitting with them is difficult, but providing peace and comfort is sacred. It's as if the space between heaven and earth thins in a person's final breaths."

Growing up in the small Newberry County town of Prosperity, Adrienne wanted to be a doctor from age 2. She majored in biology at Wofford College but didn't like it and changed her major to religion.

"After my first religion course, I fell in love with it," she said.

After graduation from Wofford, Adrienne went to Duke University to earn a master of divinity degree. She thought she would focus on Christian education, become a deacon in the United Methodist Church and work with children and youths.

But God had another plan. After her second year, she was required to do an internship in clinical pastoral education in a hospital. She was assigned to the University of North Carolina Hospital for 10 weeks.

"I said, 'I will be a Tar Heel for a summer if they are willing to pay me,'" she said. "I fell in love with it. I knew that's what God was calling me to do – to be a chaplain."

After graduation from Duke in 2012, Adrienne returned to Columbia to do a yearlong residency as a chaplain at Palmetto Health, since rebranded as Prisma Health. At annual conference in 2013, she was commissioned as a provisional deacon.

Adrienne describes elders as shepherds of the church and deacons as the bridge between the church and the world.

During the provisional period, Adrienne was required to write papers on theology and doctrine and on being called by God and the disciplined life. She also was required to write and lead a Bible study and preach a sermon or present some other "proclamation."

For her proclamation, Adrienne talked with children at her home church, Wightman UMC in Prosperity, about God's call to Jonah to serve others. Adrienne told them that God calls all of us to serve people in some way. Following this lesson, Adrienne took the children to a nearby nursing home where they led residents in a singalong and made a craft to give them.

After she was ordained in 2015, Adrienne became a fulltime chaplain in Palmetto Health PACE, which stands for Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly. In 2019, Palmetto Health and the Greenville Health System combined to form Prisma Health.

Adrienne usually meets with participants and their families at one of three day health centers in the Midlands. The goal of the program is to provide nursing-home-level care in a community setting in order to allow the



participants to remain safely at home.

The centers, which are open Monday through Friday, provide lunch and snacks. They offer daily social activities and provide transportation to and from the centers.

Adrienne also is a chaplain to any of the many professionals who work at the day health centers. Although Adrienne sees most of the program participants at a day health center, she also makes home visits and hospital visits.

"I kind of flow and go where I need to go to help whoever's in spiritual distress," she said.

Adrienne met her husband Matt at Lutheridge, a Lutheran summer camp near Asheville, N.C., where both were camp counselors. She worked there in the summers while attending Wofford.

Although they worked together in 2006 and 2007, Adrienne and Matt didn't start dating until 2008 when she did volunteer work at Lutheridge for only two weeks before going to Israel to participate in an archeological dig with a group from Wofford.

The volunteer work gave her "lots of free time, time spent with him," she said.

Adrienne returned to Wofford for her senior year and then started Duke in 2009. The couple married on May 27, 2012, two weeks after she graduated from Duke.

Today the Finks are fairly settled in Columbia. They live in Cayce, and Adrienne has an office downtown, in the basement of the Baptist hospital. Matt is working on a doctorate in musical composition at the University of South Carolina, and he also teaches adjunct classes in music and racquetball.

Although he is a Lutheran, Matt has a part-time job as a sound technician at Mt. Hebron UMC in West Columbia.

Adrienne and Matt have a 6-year-old daughter Lydia who attends the Montessori School of Columbia on South Maple Street in the Rosewood neighborhood.

Adrienne moved her charge conference from Cayce UMC

to Washington Street earlier this year. She said she wanted an openly affirming congregation that would model love of our gay siblings for her daughter.

Adrienne preached on March 5 about "Follow the Light," which answers the question, "Who Is Jesus?"

Adrienne has one brother Glenn who is six years older than she is. He works with their father at the family business, Hamm Hardware and Building Supply, in Prosperity. Glenn is the fourth generation to work in the business.

Adrienne's mother is a retired teacher who taught seventhgrade English and special education. She said her mother has been the most influential person in her life.

"She has always been the one to encourage me to be strong," Adrienne said, "to be a leader, to stand up for myself and to take care of others. She was my role model; she always stood up for her students."

Adrienne said she likes to drink coffee and she especially loves to get together with people in a coffee shop over a good cup of coffee and have conversation. Two coffee shops she mentioned are Drip in Five Points and Blum on Devine Street.

She also likes to read, mostly fiction. Two recent reads are *Fruit of the Drunken Tree* by Ingrid Rojas Contreras and *True Biz: A Novel* by Sara Novic. She often has an e-book on her phone so she can read a bit while waiting for something or someone.

### NEW SERMON SERIES STARTS APRIL 16 April 16 - May 21

Series Title: The Jesus I Have Known

Inspired by Diana Butler Bass's book, Freeing Jesus, our Sunday morning worship service messages will challenge the idea that Jesus can only be understood in static, one-dimensional ways. We will be asked to consider a life where Jesus grows with us and helps us through life's challenges in six distinct capacities: as Friend, Teacher, Savior, Lord, Way, and Presence.

Through this six-week sermon series, we'll be challenged to remember how we first met Jesus, realize how we know him now, and explore all that he has been to us in between.

## Gifts

IN HONOR OF
REV. BECKY SHIRLEY &
REV. ALSTON LIPPERT
to WSUMC
Given by Karen Basso

In Honor of John Holladay

to the Good Samaratin Fund Given by Beatrice Pruett

MEMORY OF Ms. BETH MAY to WSUMC

Given by Charlotte & Dr. Mike Broome

IN MEMORY OF Ms. HELEN CONRAD DEAS

to WSUMC
Given by Charlotte &
Dr. Mike Broome

In Memory of Justin Couch to Active Faith

Given by Deborah Rowe

In Honor of John Holladay & Family

to the Foundation
Given by Robin &
David Anderson

In Memory of Justin Couch to WSUMC

Given by Jim Lane
Given to: Undesignated

In Memory of Justin Couch to WSUMC

Given by Lisa & Robbie Douglas

IN MEMORY OF SARAH THREATT

to WSUMC

Given by Dotsy Helms & Marshall Colcord

In Memory of Joan Beamer to WSUMC

Given by Dotsy Helms & Marshall Concord

In Memory of Bob Beamer

to WSUMC
Given by Dotsy Helms &
Marshall Concord

In Memory of Mary McEachern to WSUMC

Given by Dotsy Helms & Marshall Concord



### Prayer List

Betsy Alexander
David Byrum
Jimmy Dawkins
Judy Ellington
Mickey Epting
Pat Griffin
Rev. Paul Harmon
Karen Horne
Lisa Johnson
Debby Joyner
Jean Kanes

Martha Helen King Paul McClanahan Sharon McCullough David Middleton Shawn Powers Genie & Ron Quinn Rev. Becky Shirley Nancy Williams Mary Anne Young Our homebound

# Active Faith to Present Fundraiser Concert for Ukraine— Spring Time Duo, May 6

Active Faith a mission team at Washington Street United Methodist Church is hosting a fundraising concert to benefit the people of Ukraine on Saturday, May 6, at 7:30 pm. There is no charge to attend, but reservations are recommended due to limited seating. However, a love offering or donation is greatly appreciated. Seating is first-come, first-served.

String Time Duo was formed in 2021, by award-winning musicians Angelina Reed (domra)



and Marina Alexandra (guitar). Playing a variety of world and classical music, the duo is based in Charlotte, North Carolina.

#### **ABOUT THE DUO**

Marina Alexandra was born in Ukraine, where she began her guitar studies at the age of six. In 1996, she immigrated with her family to the United States, and in 1998, she was awarded a scholarship to earn her Master of Music degree at the University of South Carolina. She is one of the founders of Charlotte for Ukraine and its executive director.

She has received awards in several guitar competitions including the Music Teachers National Association State and Regional Competitions and was a semifinalist in the 6th annual Edwin H. and Leigh W. Schadt National String Competition for classical guitar. Marina has a concert career spanning more than 20 years, taking her to Piccolo Spoleto Festival, National Public Radio, Allentown Radio, and hundreds of venues including colleges, guitar festivals, and museums throughout the USA. Her TEDx Talk has close to 3 million views.

She has released three albums including: Timeless Enchantment (Baroque, Classical, Modern, and Latin-American music), A Moment of Magic (modern music by Russian composer, Nikita Koshkin), and Americas from North to South (flute and guitar music). Her albums received high praise from such prestigious music magazines as Soundboard, Classical Guitar (UK), and American Record Guide.

Angelina Reed (domra) has toured the world as a soloist with the Andreyev Russian Folk Orchestra of St. Petersburg, Russia, performing with them at Carnegie Hall's 100th anniversary. A virtuoso of the three-string domra, she holds a Master's degree in Performance and Teaching Music from Gnessin Institute of Music in Moscow. She holds the titles

of Laureate of All-Russian National Competition among professional domra players (Nizhny Novgorod, 1990), and is a laureate of the international "Cup of the North" competition (Cherepovets, 1992). Angelina was the classical mandolin soloist with the Chamber Orchestra of St. Petersburg, Russia. She has played numerous performances of Baroque and classical music at the Philharmonic Hall and Capella Hall in St. Petersburg, Russia. After immigrating to the U.S. in 2001, Angelina performed around the country, most notably at Spivey Hall, and is the concertmaster and domra soloist of the Atlanta Balalaika Society Orchestra. Angelina also performs with the domra-guitar duo "9 String Theory," the ensemble "Balalaika Fantasie," as well as the domra-guitar duo, "String Time" around the USA.

Charlotte for Ukraine: Charlotte for Ukraine is a program run by volunteers in Charlotte, NC, and is administrated by the Southern Guitar Festival nonprofit organization. The program originated to serve Ukrainian refugees escaping the war and coming to the Carolinas. The organization takes great pride in partnering with nonprofit organizations such as Brave Works, Carolina Refugee Resettlement Agency, CMS school system, St. Gabriel's Catholic Church, and other community partners to provide Ukrainian refugees with crucial information and resources. Charlotte For Ukraine hosts regular rallies in uptown Charlotte to raise awareness among US citizens and attract attention to the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine. It supports projects in Ukraine such as food delivery to the older population in Ukraine who cannot leave their apartments; food for animal shelters, and purchasing (food) a variety of items for orphanages in western Ukraine, which have just accepted hundreds of orphans from the East of Ukraine due to its daily bombardment; providing immediate monetary assistance to people in Ukraine in crisis; medical supplies for people in Ukraine; heat devices for civilians in Ukraine; and the people in crisis who currently live in Ukraine, and Ukrainian refugees coming to North Carolina and South Carolina.

UMCOR: As the humanitarian relief and development arm of The United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Committee on Relief – UMCOR – assists United Methodists and churches to become involved globally in direct ministry to persons in need. UMCOR comes alongside those who suffer from natural or human-caused disasters – famine, hurricane, war, flood, fire, or other events—to alleviate suffering and serve as a source of help and hope for the vulnerable. UMCOR provides relief, response, and long-term recovery grants when events overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own. UMCOR also provides technical support and training for partners to address emerging and ongoing issues related to disaster relief, recovery, and long-term health and development.

# Soup Cellar Purchases New Refrigerator!

Finally! After 32 years the Soup Cellar had to break down and spend some cash for a brand new fridge. Alan-Jon Zupan was able to secure a good price for the refrigerator at \$5,200, but donations to the Soup Cellar for this purchase would definitely help with the expenditure. You may contribute to the cause online, or by check. Remember to put "New Fridge" in the memo line!

The old fridge finally gave out after more then 32 years. I'd say that was a job well-done!



Jerry Sumpter, Terrence Chisholm, and Alan-Jon Zupan show off the new refridgerator.

### Holy Week Very Special at WSUMC

Holy week at WSUMC was very special indeed. Starting with a wonderful procession with the children and the choir on Palm Sunday, and ending with a glorious service on Easter Sunday, the church family here at Washington Street celebrated Christ's resurrection. The WSUMC choir was at its best for all services.

Two beautiful services were held on Maundy

Thursday, and Good Friday in Christ Chapel. Members of the WSUMC choir were on hand to celebrate Maundy Thursday with the congregation. The dramatic readings during the Tenebrae service on Friday was partially performed in the dark. The entire service was truly inspirational. Participants in the service included Thom Berry, Susan Caskey, Lee Haynes, Jim Tuell, and Ute Wachsmann-Linnan. Our musical director, Nicholas Todd Shumate performed a very moving solo of "Were You There" at the end. Both services were well-attended.

This year, to celebrate our risen Savior, we held an Easter breakfast in Threatt Hall. Congregation members brought so much food that our tables were over-filled with delicious breakfast foods and Christine Taylor made pancakes and sausage. The younger kids got Easter bags and made crafts with Sarah-Kate.

McKenzie Powers took professional photos in front of a beautiful flower cross created by Sam Waldrep. The gathering was a wonderful celebration of Easter with over 120 in attendance. We are so thankful that this potluck event helped us gather together as a community to celebrate Easter. We look forward to doing another potluck again soon! To see more photos from Easter week, visit our Facebook page at facebook. com/washingtonstreetumc



# NEW SMALL GROUP STARTS APRIL 19! REGISTER TODAY!

Christine Hait will lead this new small group. For the next several weeks, Rev. Becky and Rev. Alston will be preaching a sermon series based on the Diana Butler Bass book, Freeing Jesus: Rediscovering



Jesus as Friend, Teacher, Savior, Lord, Way, and Presence. This group will read the book, and then dive deeper into each previous week's sermon topic. This will be a hybrid small group, folks may join in person in the John Harper Room or on Zoom. The sessions are Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 pm, from April 19 through June 7. To register, scan the QR code, or email Christine Hait at chrishait@columbiasc. edu.





Folks lined up for a delicious breakfast Easter morning. The weather was beautiful for our photo booth. A big thanks to McKenzie Powers for taking photos!

### "Easter Monday" Lunch Serves 153

n Easter Monday, April 10, the Welcome Table mission team hosted a special "Easter Monday" lunch for those suffering from food insecurity. Patrons from the Soup Cellar who are regulars help spread the word about this event. The team ended up serving more than 150 individuals of all ages during the hour and a half event.

Congregation members from both Washington Street and Heyward St. Methodist donated brownies, cookies, hard-boiled, dyed eggs, and rolls. Tom Wall supplied reading glasses, and the team gave out hygiene bags and Easter candy, prepared by Mary's Maidens, along with socks and several blankets for these last few cold evenings.

Volunteers for the event included Lee Haynes, Nancy Whittle, Cindy Cox, Nancy DelSol, Jim and Jennifer McLaughlin, Debra Schooler, Lynn Shirley, Ute Wachsmann-Linnan, and Rev. Tammy Blom and her daughter Audrey from Heyward Street UMC. Terrence Chisolm cooked up some delicious macaroni and cheese, and green beans. Donations from Publix allowed WS to purchase 300 pieces of their fried chicken as an entree.

Another Welcome Table event will be held during late summer. For more information, contact the Welcome Table chair, Lee Haynes at <a href="mailto:lelandhaynesjr@gmail.com">lelandhaynesjr@gmail.com</a>. Volunteers are always welcome to help with this event!

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# STEWARDSHIP REPORT As of 4-13-23 Church Budget: TBD

Church Actual \$198,643 Soup Cellar \$23,572

Foundation **ATTENDANCE** 

April 9: 299 (in-person); 252 (online) = 551

April 2: 198 (in-person); 219 (online) = 417;

March 26: 138 (in-person); 213 (online) = 351;

March 19: 167 (in-person); 134 (online) = 301



A big crowd enjoyed a fried chcken dinner on "Easter Monday."



WSUMC/RJAT Hosts

Columbia 63: Our Story Matters Civil Rights Walking Tour

SATURDAY, APRIL 30 | 4:30-5:30 PM Scan the QR code, or email Nancy Whittle at ncwhittle@aol.com to reserve your spot!

# Sunday School Updates

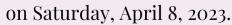
- The Aldersgate Class: The Aldersgate Class continues its study of the Old Testament with Sandra L. Richter (Ph.D., Harvard University), and Professor of the Old Testament, at Wheaton College. Dr. Richter leads us through a video study and text to show us how Old Testament understanding leads to fresh depths of New Testament faith for everyday life in the real world. Come join us for coffee and a pastry, and listen to this exciting series. Our class meets in the Aldersgate classroom on the 2nd floor at 10:00 am. If you have any questions, please call David A. Anderson at 803–318–8821 or email him at <a href="mailto:danderson@richardsonplowden.com">danderson@richardsonplowden.com</a>.
- The Dawsey Class: This Sunday, April 16, we will conclude our study of Jesus' Alternative Plan: The Sermon on the Mount by Richard Rohr. John Evans will teach Chapter 9: "Bridges and Boundaries: Liberals and Conservatives." Next Sunday, April 23, the class will begin a new book The Underground Church: Reclaiming the Subversive Way of Jesus by Robin Meyers. Carl Evans will lead a discussion of the Prologue: "Empty Sermons, Empty Pews" and Chapter 1: "Sweet Jesus: Talking His Melancholy Madness." The Dawsey class meets on the second floor. Class starts at 10:00 am. Class members who join from home use FreeConferenceCall. Class members should call in between 9:50 and 10:00 am. The call-in number is (701) 802-5115. The access code is 7252934. For more information about the class, contact the class president Mary Slade at marydslade4@gmail.com.
- The Grace Class: The class will discuss the final installment of the previous sermon series, "I am the way, the truth, and the life," on April 16. On April 23, the class will begin a new study series. Join us in person or contact Jim Lane at <a href="mailto:jlane@columbiasc.edu">jlane@columbiasc.edu</a> for the Zoom link to gather Sunday mornings at 9:45 am for fellowship and at 10:00 am for spiritual reflection.
- The Joy Class: The class is currently partnering with Solomon's Porch studying Luke's gospel and spending time with our neighbors. If interested, please contact Lee Haynes at <a href="mailto:lelandhaynesjr@gmail.com">lelandhaynesjr@gmail.com</a> or Sylvia Stevens at <a href="mailto:sylviasaundersstevens@gmail.com">sylviasaundersstevens@gmail.com</a> for more information.
- The Open Door Class: On April 16th the class will continue its study of Luke. Visitors are always welcome! The class meets both in-person and via Zoom each week. For Zoom link information, contact Ann Jessup at <a href="mailto:jessup.ann@gmail.com">jessup.ann@gmail.com</a>.
- The Paul Harmon Class: The class is participating in a study from The Great Courses titled "How Jesus Became God" by Professor Bart D. Ehrman at the University of North Carolina where he is the James A. Gray Distinguished Professor. Dr. Ehrman is a New Testament scholar who focuses on the origins and history of early Christianity. We are enjoying the lessons and our discussions. All are welcome to join us. If you have questions, please contact Suzanne Joye at sjoye@sc.rr.com.

- The John Harper Class: The John Harper class discusses lessons from Adult Bible Studies published by Cokesbury. For more information, contact Tracy Powers at <a href="mailto:tipowers65@gmail.com">tipowers65@gmail.com</a> or meet with us in the classroom on the first floor by the elevator.
- The Youth Class: The Youth Sunday School class uses a curriculum by Illustrated Ministry called *Mini Revolutions* that connects to the liturgical calendar. The class is led by Sarah-Kate, Beth Robinson and Susan Caskey, and Jean Leitner. Grades 6th-12th are welcome to join in on Sundays at 10:00 am in the Youth Room.
- Solomon's Porch: This new class is meeting in the Traxler Classroom. The class is led by Christine Taylor. The class is doing a slow read through the Gospel of Luke. Anyone interested is welcome to join! For more information, contact Christine at <a href="mailto:christine@wsmethodist.org">christine@wsmethodist.org</a>.

# with heartfelt sympathy

HOLDING YOU CLOSE
IN OUR THOUGHTS AND
PRAYERS

Rev. Becky Shirley joins the entire staff and Washington Street Church family in expressing our deepest sympathy and Christian love to Deborah Rowe, Ricky Kristie, Wyatt, Hayden, and Ellis Rowe in the death of Rick Rowe, after a long struggle with cancer,



Deborah and Ricky Rowe, and the entire family, would like to express our deep appreciation for all of the cards, prayers and other gifts of endearment that have been afforded to our family during Rick's battle with cancer and his death. A special thanks to Rev. Shirley and Rev. Lippert for the many home visits and communion service. Our church family has lifted us when our spirits were down. We have felt the love and concern for our family. We are extremely blessed to be a part of such a loving and caring congregation.

### **Drive n' Drop for Foster Children**

he Active Faith & Missions Teams at Washington Street United Methodist Church (WSUMC) will hold a Drive n' Drop for donations for the Richland County Dept. of Social Services Foster Care Program on April 28, from 12:00-4:00 pm; and again on Saturday, April 29, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the parking lot of the church.

Volunteers will be on hand to take the donations directly from your car and take them inside the church for storage until the items can be dropped off with the county. The community is encouraged to participate in this drive.

The teams have purchased bags to give to those children who are being removed from their homes. The bags will be donated along with the items collected during the Drive n' Drop. Items being collected include diapers (all sizes), unscented baby wipes, new packages of children's underwear and socks, (all sizes, boy, and girl), toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc.

If you are unable to drop off your donations during the designated times, please drop them off in the main office of the church between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, or during church hours prior to April 28. If you have questions, please contact Jane Peterson at jane@wsmethodist.org.

# CHILDREN & YOUTH SAVE THE DATES!

### Bible Buddies Program

Children from nursery through 5th Grade will get to adopt their own Bible Buddy stuffed animal, receive a certificate of adoption and a bible story book to read to their Bible Buddy throughout the summer.

Deadline to sign up is May 7!

# Safe Sanctuaries Policy Training May 7 | 2:00-5:00 pm | Lexington UMC

Recommended for this training—pastors, trustees, Staff-Parish Relations committee members, children and youth Sunday School teachers, church council chairpersons and lay leaders.

# Join us for the next F.U.E.L.-May 7 5:00-7:00 pm | Threatt Hall

Dinner & Program

Adult Program: The Holy Land

Kids Program: Sign Language Learning Lab

FAN THE FLAME
FELLOWSHIP ● EAT ● UNITE ● LOVE

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Subject to change. \*Denotes non-member event; blue type indicates WSUMC events. Please contact Jammie Watters at jammie@wsmethodist.org to schedule an event.

### MONDAY | APRIL 17

11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar 1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\*

5:00-6:00 pm | Communications Committee Meeting | Zoom

5:45-8:45 pm | Columbia Choral Society Rehearsal | Choir Room\*

### TUESDAY | APRIL 18

11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar 3:30-5:00 pm | Cinnamon Roll Tuesday | Youth Room 6:00-8:00 pm | Palmetto Mastersingers | Choir Room\* 6:00-7:30 pm | Church Council Meeting | Zoom 6:30-8:00 pm | Private Group

### WEDNESDAY | APRIL 19

Meeting Room varies

11:30 am-1:00 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar 1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\* 5:30-6:30 pm | CDC Board Meeting | John Harper Classroom 6:30-7:30 pm | Choir Practice | Choir Room 7:00-8:00 pm | "Freeing Jesus" Small

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### THURSDAY | APRIL 20

11:30 am-1:00 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar 6:00-7:00 pm | SPPRC Meeting | Wesley Room 7:00-9:00 pm | Palmetto Chamber Orchestra | Choir Room\*

### FRIDAY | APRIL 21

11:30 am-1:00 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar 1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar

#### SUNDAY | APRIL 23

11:00 am-12:00 pm | Worship Service | Sanctuary & livestream 1:00-5:00 pm | Moms Demand Action | Threatt Hall\*

3:00-4:00 pm | Reconciling Next Meet/Greet | Wesley Room 4:30-6:00 pm | Youth Group | Youth Room 4:00-5:30 pm | Mary's Maidens | Kitchen

### MONDAY | APRIL 24

All Day | CDC Program Setup for Spring Performance | Threatt Hall 11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar 1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\* 5:45-8:45 pm | Columbia Choral Society Rehearsal | Choir Room\*

### **TUESDAY | APRIL 25**

All Day | CDC Program Setup for Spring Performance | Threatt Hall 10:00-11:00 am | Staff Meeting | Wesley Room 11:30-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Zoom 6:00-8:00 pm | RJAT Meeting | Zoom 6:00-8:00 pm | Palmetto Mastersingers | Choir Room\* 6:30-8:00 pm | Private Group Meeting | Room varies\*

#### **WEDNESDAY | APRIL 26**

All Day | CDC Program Setup for Spring Performance | Threatt Hall 11:30-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar 1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\* 1:00-5:00 pm | Rick Rowe Funeral & Reception | Kitchen, Wesley Room, and Sanctuary 6:30-7:30 pm | Choir Practice | Choir Room 7:00-8:00 pm | "Freeing Jesus" Small Group | John Harper & Zoom (register online or email chrishait@ columbiasc.edu)

FIND MORE EVENTS ONLINE IN REALM!