



May 14, 2023

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.



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WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6th Sunday of Easter | May 14, 2023 | White | Mother's Day

(As our worship begins, please silence any electronic devices.

Portable hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.)

PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on themes from Psalm 139)

One: We gather together to worship our nurturing God, who, like a mother, knows us intimately, loves us unconditionally and teaches us the way we should go.

All: Today we celebrate and give God thanks for our mothers, grandmothers, aunties and all the women who have loved us and taught us about Jesus.

One: We take time to remember our mothers and the women whose tears, hugs, wisdom and unfailing trust in our abilities have taught us about God's grace and helped us to follow the teachings of Jesus.

All: In various ways their gift of love and their actions of grace have taught us to worship God, the Source and Sustainer of life! Thanks be to God! Amen!

*HYMN #308 Thine Be the Glory JU

JUDAS MCCABEUS

Words: Edmond L. Budry, 1904; trans. By R. Birch Hoyle, 1923 Music: Harmonia Sacra, ca. 1753; arr. from G. F. Handel, 1747

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH #888 (from I Corinthians 15:1-6 & Colossians 1:15-20)

*GLORIA PATRI MEINEKE

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Beth Matthews

(After Children's Moments, children 5 and under may go with the class leader to the 2-3's classroom located on the first floor past the elevator on the left. They may be picked up there, or they will be escorted back to the sanctuary prior to the benediction.)

ANTHEM

Children of the Heavenly Father

Eric Nelson

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

OFFERTORY

Consecration
Soloist: Maria Beery

John Ness Beck Transcribed by Craig Courtney

(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 29201; or scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin.)

*DOXOLOGY #94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapt. by Gilbert H. Vieira, 1978 Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

*HYMN #557

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

Words: John Fawcett, 1782 Music: Johann G. Nageli; arr. by Lowell Mason, 1845

*SCRIPTURE READING

John 13:1-15

SERMON

"Life Lessons Taught with Love"

Rev. Becky Shirley

Part Five: The Jesus I Have Known

*HYMN #191

Jesus Loves Me

JESUS LOVES ME

Words: St. 1 Anna B. Warner, 1860; Sts. 2-3 David Rutherford McGuire;

trans.: Cherokee, Robert Bushyhead, 1962 Music: William B. Bradbury, 1862

*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 we work, we work. When we pray, God works.

PRAYER LIST

Betsy Alexander David Byrum Mickey Epting Pat Griffin Rev. Paul Harmon

Organ

Piano

Acolyte

Ushers

Karen Horne Lisa Johnson Jean Kanes Martha Helen King Paul McClanahan

Sharon McCullough David Middleton Shawn Powers Genie & Ron Ouinn Nancy Williams

Mary Anne Young Our homebound

FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God and in memory and honor of our mothers, Noemi Carrasco and Mary Lide, by Patricio and Elizabeth Aravena. The altar flowers for May 7th were given to the honor and glory of God and in loving memory of L. Arlen Cotter and also Marie and L.A. Cotter by Janet Cotter and family.

SERVING TODAY

Nicholas Todd Shumate Director of Music Louis Shirer Rick Frierson Alma Louise Aravena Tommy Betenbaugh, Alan-Jon Zupan Thom Berry, Heidi Ankeny

Greeters Children's Moments Beth Matthews Sound/Video Lynn Shirley, Jane Peterson Visitor Cards Suzanne Joye Pew Maintenance Jammie Watters

Children's Church Lee Haynes, Eleanore Langley Nursery McKenzie Powers, Jane Polk

Online Moderator Ed McClain

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

As of 5-11-23

Church Budget: \$866,231

Church Actual \$243,047 Soup Cellar \$32,223 Foundation \$900

SCANTO GIVE



Attendance on 5/7/23: 144 (in-person); 131 (online as of 5/11/23); TOTAL = 275