

Plugged In to Jesus

AUGUST 6, 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.

PROUD MEMBER OF



WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10th Sunday after Pentecost | Green

(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

One: Whom do you seek here in this place?

All: We seek God, the Creator, who brought us to life.

One: Who has told you of God?

All: Jesus Christ, God's Son, has shown us the love of God through his life.

One: Discipleship is difficult. Are you ready?

All: We want to be ready. Lord, strengthen and sustain us this day. AMEN.

HYMN #79

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

GROSSER GOTT

Words: Sts. 1-4, Ignaz Franz, 18th.; trans. by Clarence Walworth, 1853; sts. 5-7; F. Bland Tucker, 1982 Music: Katholisches Gesangbuch, ca. 1774

UNISON PRAYER

Holy One, we bow our hearts before you this day.

Strengthen us in our innermost being and dwell in our hearts through faith. May we be rooted and grounded in Christ, whose love is beyond all knowledge. Help us comprehend even the smallest part of the beautiful mystery of your grace. Grant that we may experience the fullness of your presence with us. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Ann Jessup

(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.)

OFFERING INTRODUCTION

As God's holy people, we have the power to do all things when we connect ourselves to the power of Jesus. As we receive tithes and offerings, may our generosity allow us the means to show the world the love of God that surpasses all things.

OFFERTORY

Who at My Door is Standing?

K. Lee Scott

(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 #95

OLD 100th

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674 Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551 1906

HYMN #451

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

Words: Ancient Irish; trans. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905; versed by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912, alt. Music: Trad. Irish melody; harm. by Carlton R. Young, 1963

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 3:14-21

SERMON

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Rev. Becky Shirley

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, we rejoice in the light of your love....we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one

who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

In the fullness of time, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, ...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here. ...

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.

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

ANTHEM Thou Art God Lionel Bourne

Soprano Soloist: Maria Beery

*HYMN #185 LAUDES DOMINI When Morning Gilds the Skies

Words: Katholisches Gesangbuch, ca. 1744; sts. 1, 2, 4 trans. by Edward Caswell, 1854;

st. 3 by Robert S. Barnby, 1868 Music: Joseph Barnby, 1868

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

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



UPCOMING FALL SMALL GROUPS! SIGN UP ON AUGUST 13th AT THE POTLUCK LUNCHEON @ 12 pm!

(bring a dessert or side, chicken & drinks provided)

Sharing Meals & Sharing Life Supper Club

Children's Music

Youth Group

Adult Choir

Drama Group Walking-Hiking-Running Group

Tabitha's Table Sewing Group



Visitation Ministry Stephen Ministry United Women in Faith (UWF) Circles Disciple Bible Study **Book Discussions** Movie Discussions

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PRAYER THOUGHT

Prayer should be the key to each day and the lock to each night.

PRAYER LIST

Betsy Alexander	
Karen Basso	
Martha Boynton	F
David Byrum	
Mickey Épting	

Lin Fesperman Pat Griffin Rev. Paul Harmon Karen Horne Lisa Johnson

Jean Kanes Martha Helen King Paul McClanahan Sharon McCullough David Middleton Shawn Powers Genie & Ron Quinn Nancy Williams Our homebound

SERVING TODAY

Director of Music	Nicholas Todd Shumate
Organ	Louis Shirer
Piano	Rick Frierson
Acolyte	Lucy Woods
Greeter	Jim Lane
Ushers T	ommy Betenbaugh, Alan-Jon Zupan
Children's Moments	Ann Jessup
Sound/Video Productio	on Lynn Shirley & Jane Peterson
Visitor Cards	Suzanne Joye
Pew Maintenance	Jammie Watters
Children's Church	Susan Caskey, Tracy Powers
Nursery	McKenzie Powers, Olivia Rowland
Online Moderator	Ed McClain

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

As of 8-3-23

General Budget: \$866,231
Church \$375,165

Soup Cellar \$42,730 Foundation \$14,619

SCANTO GIVE



Attendance on 8/3/23: 146 (in-person); 139 (online as of 8/3/23); TOTAL = 285