

PROUD MEMBER OF





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

2nd Sunday of Easter | April 7, 2024 | White (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: Lord, just as Jesus triumphed over death and the grave, All: enable us to triumph over hatred and injustice. One: Fill us with Divine love and hope All: so that we can live as Easter people.

*HYMN #304

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

REGENT SQUARE

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Lisa Vogelli (After Children's Moments, children 5 and under may go with the class leader to the 2-3's classroom on the first floor past the elevator on the left. They may be picked up there after services.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/2528/worship-elements-april-7-2024

God of mercy, we come celebrating our unity, but we confess the many ways that we are divided. Our nationality, ethnic origin, economic status, gender, age, and musical preferences all too often obscure the common calling we share in Christ's name. May our common identity as your children and our communal witness to Christ bind us together in your name. Forgive our tendency toward separation and division, and remind us that we are your Easter people. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

OFFER TORY A New Song Elaine Hagenberg (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 A bulletin.)

*DOXOLOGY #95

OLD 100th

*HYMN #298

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMURG

SCRIPTURE

Acts 4:32-35

HOMILY

Easter People

Rev. Alston Lippert

HYMN #641

Fill My Cup, Lord

FILL MY CUP

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them up to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
One: It is our duty...Unending praise
All: 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.
One: Forgiving God, ... Great is the mystery of faith
All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.
One: Lord and God...

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.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Let Us Break Bread Together Soloist: Bob Evans

arr. Hogan

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

*HYMN #310

He Lives

ACKLEY

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

*Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation. When our worship ends, our service begins! **Reverend Becky J. Shirley** Senior Pastor rjshirley@umcsc.org

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Dr. Rick Frierson Pianist (Volunteer)

PRAYER THOUGHT

Feed your faith and your doubts will starve to death

Ann Bell John Benfield Ron Bowden Carol Breneman Sue Dillon Mickey Epting

PRAYER LIST

- Lin Fesperman Lord Beverly McClanahan Paul McClanahan Sharon McCullough Ellen Parker
- Shawn Powers Genie Quinn Peggy Ward Nancy Williams Our homebound

VOLUNTEERS SERVING TODAY

Nancy Epting

Carl Evans

Pat Griffin

Karen Horne

Lisa Johnson

Iean Kanes

Lucy Woods Acolyte Greeters Carol Fowler Ute Ushers Lee Smith Ricky Rowe Children's Moment Lisa Vogelli Sound/Video/Projection Spencer Stevens Grant Jackson Visitor Cards Suzanne Joye Children's Church Shelley Stafford, Molly Grochowski Nursery McKenzie Powers,

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

As of 04-4-24 Church Budget: \$ NA

Church Actual	\$ 196,564.00
Soup Cellar	\$ 17,306.00
Foundation	\$ 5,700.00



SCAN TO GIVE

Attendance on 3/31/24: 302 (in-person); 218 (online as of 04/4); TOTAL = 520

Molly Allen