



WASHINGTON
STREET

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



**The
Practices of
Peacemaking**

February 2, 2025

Then the peace of God that exceeds all
understanding will keep your hearts and minds
safe in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

Order of Worship

4th Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE *Sicilienne* Maria Theresa von Paradis

WORDS OF WELCOME Rev. Shirley

RINGING OF THE BELL

CHORAL INTROIT *Dona Nobis Pacem* Give Us Peace

*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. James

*HYMN #57 (UMH) *O For a Thousand Tongues To Sing* AZMON

SCRIPTURE LESSON Philippians 4:7 Rev. Lippert

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Rev. Lippert

Following the Children's moments, children ages 3-5 will be escorted by a Children's Church leader to Children's Church in the 2-3 year-old Sunday school room, where they may be picked up after the worship service.
Older children will return to their parents.

OFFERTORY *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* arr. Bradley Ellingboe

*DOXOLOGY #94 (UMH) LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*HYMN #2171 (TFWS) *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* CHANNEL OF PEACE

HOMILY Personal Peace Rev. Shirley

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (UMH page 12)

Invitation
Prayer of Confession
Words of Assurance of Pardon
The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord's Prayer
Receiving The Bread and The Cup

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Before the Throne of God Above* arr. Dan Forrest
Soloist: Pato Aravena

*HYMN #729 (UMH) *O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines* JERUSALEM

*BENEDICTION & CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE *On Jordan's Stormy Banks* Arr. Diane Bish

NOTES: UMH = Red United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS = Black THE FAITH WE SING

* = Please stand as you are able

Opportunities to Grow in Faith & Serve in Love

WELCOME! We are glad you are here to worship with us! No matter where you are from, who you love or what you look like, know that God loves you and there is a place here for you! If you'd like to learn more or get more connected to this community of faith and where God is leading us, please fill out the blue connection tear-off section of this bulletin and place it in the offering plate during the service.

Ministry Events This Week

Today, February 2 and 9 at 9:30 am to 12:30 pm
Valentines and Chocolates For Sale

WSUMC's girls group, Mary's Maidens, will be selling handmade Valentines and fairly traded chocolate bars in the hall near the office. All proceeds will fund future service projects.

Thursday, February 6 - Young Professionals

Join us at 6:30 pm pizza and game night. If you will need child care please contact Kathy James at kljames@umcsc.org.

February 8 - Youth Confirmation Journey Begins

Youth in Grades 8-12 who are interested in learning more about our identity as Christians, faith practices, and beliefs are asked to contact Rev. Kathy (kljames@umcsc.org) by February 2nd.

February 9 and 23 at 4:30 pm - Youth Group

Discussion on Faith and Science led by Dr. Michael Oehler on Feb 9. On Feb. 23, Karaoke party! Let Rev. Kathy know if there's a favorite song you want on the playlist!

Save The Date For The Following Ministry Events

February 15 - 10:30 am - Sole-mates Walking Group

All are invited to meet at WSUMC for a walk around downtown. We'll enjoy lunch together after the walk and discuss locations for future walks. For more information: email Sara Wilcox (wilcox@mailbox.sc.edu)

February 27, March 20-27, April 3-10 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm
Lenten Study on Forgiveness and Reconciliation

This six week class will meet in the John Harper Room with a ZOOM option. Rev. Dr. Melanie Dobson will lead this study. For more information, email Melanie.Dobson@lr.edu.

July 21 - 24 Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars to save these dates and plan to volunteer and/or register your children for this annual ministry event.

Parents of college students: Please contact Mary Lide at neaudl@aol.com, if there has been a change in your student's mailing address. The 2's and 3's Sunday School class is preparing a surprise for Washington Street college students.

Communications Survey: If you haven't completed a survey form about church communications, please fill out a paper copy of the survey today. Copies are located outside the sanctuary doors today. Responses will help us evaluate and improve our internal and external communications. Thank you!

In Our Prayers

Ann Bell
Ron Bowden
Mickey Epting
Nancy Epting
Carl Evans

Pat Griffin
Karen Horne
Lisa Johnson
Robin Johnson
Ann Joyner

Jim Lewis
Sam Mathews
Paul McClanahan
Patrick McClanahan
Sharon McCullough

Ellen Parker
Joe Plough
Peggy Weston
Our Homebound

Making Disciples of Jesus for the Transformation of the World

The congregation of Washington Street UMC praises and serves God from the heart of the city in ways that reach 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.

Thank you for your Financial Support

Your Gifts help make ministry happen every day !

You may give by texting **CONNECTIONS** to 73256
Your gift to 1401 Washington Street, Columbia, 29201
by scanning the QR you see here.



Today's Volunteer Team

Acolyte: Cora McGandy
Children's Church: Shelley Stafford
Sophie Farthing
Greeter: Ute
Sound/Video/Projection: John Pannell
Spencer Stevens
Ushers: Lisa Voegeli and Vickie Voegeli
Communion Servers: Melanie Dobson,
Jim Tuell, Pam Jenkins,
and David Anderson

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Stewardship Report

Attendance on 1/29: 363 (209 in person + 154 online as of 01/26)

YTD Offerings Received: \$63,122 YTD Soup Cellar Gifts: \$56,502

YTD Expenses: \$3,500 YTD Soup Cellar Expenses: \$5,576

YTD Gifts to WSUMC Foundation: \$0

Staff Worship Leadership Team

Senior Pastor:	Rev. Becky Shirley	rjshirley@umcsc.org
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Pianist:	Dr. Rick Frierson	(volunteer)