

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
February 24, 2019
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Welcome: It's time to celebrate, we are in the presence of God. We invite you to joyfully prepare your hearts to receive God's love and to feel connected to the Body of Christ this day. Please take a moment to sign the pew pads. We'd like to keep you informed of what we are doing, so please give us your email, too.

*Please stand as you are able.

† 8:45 Worship Only †† 11:00 Worship Only

EIGHT FORTY-FIVE

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

GATHERING AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS

VOLUNTARY **Psalm-Prelude, Op. 32, No. 2** Herbert Howells
"But the meek shall inherit the land, (1892-1983)
and delight themselves in abundant prosperity."
-Psalm 37:11

* **CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)**

Leader: Salvation belongs to the Lord.

People: God is our refuge in times of trouble.

Leader: The Lord rescues humanity from sin, divisions, and strife.

People: God is drawing all people, friend and enemy, to himself.

All: Thanks be to God!

* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 549**

Where Charity and Love Prevail

ST. PETER

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we are faithful to confess our sins, God is faithful to hear and forgive. And so, realizing our brokenness does not exceed God's love for us, let us make our confession before God and each other.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)

Loving God, our relationships with each other are not as they should be. Hurt and injury exist between ourselves and others. There are walls of anger and hatred between us and our neighbors. Forgive us for how we deny our part in this, and for how we blame others for the brokenness around us. Forgive how we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Gracious God, we believe that you offer to us and our world a whole and good life. For all that we have done to deny this life to each other and to ourselves, we ask your forgiveness and your mercy in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

PERSONAL CONFESSION AND MEDITATION (IN SILENCE)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Sisters and brothers, hear the good news: God shows God's love for us because, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. This salvation belongs to many sons and daughters, whom God is leading to glory. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

Alleluia Verse

William Bradley Roberts
(b. 1947)

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia,
al-le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le-lu - ia,
al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

MISSION MOMENT

Mission of Hope Haiti

†† **TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

All children are invited to gather at the chancel steps.
Children ages 4 - first grade may then depart
for Children's Church in Room 304.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (IN UNISON)

Holy Spirit, you who breathe new life into creation, inspire us through the proclamation and hearing of the Word, that with every breath we may grow more fully into the likeness of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON **Psalm 37:1-11; 39-40**

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†† **ANTHEM**

The Summons arr. Karen Thompson
(Will You Come and Follow Me) (b. 1959)
Epworth Ringers

* **GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 6:27-38

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SERMON

"Destroying Our Enemies"

Rev. Patrick Murphy

CALL TO PRAYER

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

† **OFFERTORY**

The Summons arr. Karen Thompson
(Will You Come and Follow Me)
Epworth Ringers

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Verleih uns Frieden Felix Mendelssohn
Chancel Choir (1809-1847)

Verleih uns Frieden gnädiglich, Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten! Es ist doch ja kein anderer nicht, der für uns könnte streiten, denn du, unser Gott alleine. ("Grant us Thy peace, Almighty Lord, Thou Source of every blessing! Feeble and frail, trust we Thy word, all things in Thee possessing. In Thee is our hope and safety.")

* **DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All Singing: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
UMH No. 94

* **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (IN UNISON)**

All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image. When our love failed, you gave your only son Jesus Christ to be our savior. All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you. And so we offer in gratitude these gifts and ourselves in union with Christ's offering for us. By your Spirit, receive and bless them in Christ's holy name. Amen.

* **HYMN No. 428**

For the Healing of the Nations

CWM RHONDDA

* **PRONOUNCEMENT OF BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

Fugue in D Minor, Op. 37, No. 3/ii

Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME! We're glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Following the 11:00 a.m. service, there is a gathering in the Heritage Center for fellowship and refreshments. Please join us. Our hosts this week are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sykes.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of Joanne Hesson and James Hesson, sister and brother of Jan Peach, by Jan and Dex.

We thank the following for their service during our worship service:

	8:45	11:00
Lay Reader:	Don Milligan	Sandy Elliott
Acolyte:	Ethan Rodriguez	Abigale Robinson
Crucifer:	Henry Lakey	Will Self

MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD serving in February are Glenda Blue, Nancy Bell, Hy Harris, Glenda Milligan, Doris Stadler, and Martha Wimmer.

THE PRAYER REQUEST CARDS in the pews may be placed in the offering or in the Prayer Request Boxes in the reading area and the narthex area, or you may email the Prayer Ministry Team at prayer@frontstreetumc.org. We thank team member Kathy Cecil, who will be in the Prayer Room on our behalf at noon to pray for requests given on the Prayer Request Cards.

BUCKNER MISSION MAN TRIATHLON

We are currently planning for the 2019 Buckner Mission Man Triathlon. Are you interested, or know someone who is, in serving on the committee? Returning and new committee members kick-off meeting is **today at 2 p.m.** in the Heritage Center. With questions, reach out to Amanda Warren at 336-317-0715 or fosterunc@aol.com or Susan Morris at susiecmorris@yahoo.com.

ALLIED CHURCHES INFORMATION SESSION

If you would like to hear about the improvements going on at Allied Churches, come to Aldersgate Hall on **Tuesday, February 26** at 6:30 p.m. Front Street is hosting churches from all across the county. The new Director, Jai Baker, will be sharing important information with the group. If you would be willing to help with greeting the folks coming to our church as they enter our doors, please let Pastor Ross know (ross@frontstreetumc.org). We would love for other churches to experience the hospitality of Front Street!

PLAYSCHOOL BOOK FAIR

Front Street Playschool will be having a Book Fair at Barnes and Noble on **March 2!** Come and hear our sweet children sing between 12 p.m. and 1:15 p.m. Be sure to tell your cashier at checkout that you are there with Front Street Playschool! If you are unable to make it to the store, you can shop online at bn.com/bookfairs from **March 2 – 7** and use the code: 12504353. Thank you so much to our church family for your continued support!

CEREAL SUNDAY

Don't forget **March 3** is Cereal Sunday at FSUMC! Please deposit cereal or other canned/dry goods in the tubs in the cabinet in the Welcome Center. Thank you for helping stock the food pantry at the Salvation Army.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Circles 1, 2, and 4 will meet on **Monday, March 4** at 10:00 a.m. in the Heritage Center for fellowship and refreshments. The general business meeting will convene in the Chapel at 10:30 a.m. **Circle 5** will meet on **Tuesday, March 12**, at 7 p.m. in the Heritage Center. All women are invited to join us. Contact Doris Jefferson at 336-228-0130 for additional information.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

There will be an Ash Wednesday Service on **Wednesday, March 6** at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A nursery for children under 5 will be provided.

MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY

Are you interested in becoming part of the Front Street membership? The next quarterly Membership Sunday is **March 10**. If you would like to join Front Street at any of the worship services that Sunday, please contact the church office to complete the information needed for the church roll. We look forward to having you as part of the Front Street family.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Date	8:45	9:00	11:00	Online	Total
1/27	111	56	214	9	390
2/3	54	56	221	12	343
2/10	53	59	202	11	325
2/17	52	63	214	12	341

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24, 2019

Sunday, February 24

8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:00	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00	Worship Service	Sanctuary
2:00	BMMT Kick-off Meeting	Heritage Center
4:00	Children's Choir	Sanctuary
4:00	Youth Choir	Choir Room
5:00	Wesley Ringers	Room 307
5:00	Youth Bells	Bell Room
5:00	Disciple Bible Study	Room 401
6:00	UMYF/Confirmation	Aldersgate Hall

Tuesday, February 26

7:30	Men's Breakfast Bible Study	Reading Area
9:30	Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study	Room 305
6:15	Epworth Ringers	Bell Room
6:30	Allied Churches Information Session	Aldersgate Hall

Wednesday, February 27

7:30	Youth Breakfast Club	Dr. Cecil's Office 1711 Sykes St.
6:00	Aldersgate Praise Band	Aldersgate Hall
6:30	Mission Team Meeting	John Wesley
7:00	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
7:00	Women's Bible Study	Room 401

Thursday, February 28

7:00	Visioning Team Meeting	Room 301
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Sunday, March 3

8:30	American Red Cross Blood Drive	Aldersgate Hall
8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:00	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00	Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:45	Disciple Bible Study	Room 401
5:30	UMYF	Aldersgate
6:00	Evensong	Sanctuary

LIVE-STREAMING ON FACEBOOK

We are pleased to be able to live-stream our 11:00 a.m. worship each week for the benefit of those who are not able to be physically present. For those who would prefer to not be on camera, we endeavor to make the back half of the Sanctuary a non-video zone. The balcony is also available for non-video seating. If you have any questions about this service, please feel free to speak with Pastor Ross.

FRONT STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Our Mission:

Knowing Christ • Growing in Christ • Sharing Christ



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Rev. Patrick Murphy

Youth Minister

Chris Huneycutt

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