

**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**January 28, 2018**  
**FOURTH 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**      **Wo soll ich fliehen hin, BWV 646**  
 ("O Whither Shall I Flee")      J. S. Bach  
 (1685-1750)

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)**

Leader: Come, let us praise the Lord!

**People: We praise God with our whole heart!**

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord who has saved us!

**People: May our lives reflect the wondrous love of God, that all may see and know of God's greatness. Amen.**

\* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 463**

**Lord, Speak to Me**      **CANONBURY**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Quiet our hearts, Lord, as we humbly approach your throne offering confession of our sin.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)**

**We proclaim your word when it suits us and often only to those with whom we want to associate. We shut others out because of our faulty judgment and our blindness. There have been so many times in which our humble help would have been a blessing to someone, but we have placed our comforts before serving others. Help us to truly open our hearts to you. Forgive us our foolishness and our stubbornness. Amen.**

**PERSONAL CONFESSION AND MEDITATION (IN SILENCE)**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Leader: Open your lives to God's power and presence and do not be afraid. God is with us, now and for all time. 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**      **Christ, Be Our Light!**      Bernadette Farrell  
 (b. 1957)



\* **PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

†† **TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES**

All children are invited to join the pastor 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 God, Word made flesh, clear the cobwebs from our ears; penetrate the corners of our hearts with your word. We know that you can, we pray that you will, and we wait with great anticipation. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**      **Deuteronomy 18:15-20**      OT Page 174

†† **ANTHEM**      **Rise, Shine, You People**      Dale Wood  
 Epworth Ringers      (1934-2003)  
 UMH No. 187      arr. Hart Morris  
 (b.1946)

\* **GOSPEL LESSON**      **Mark 1:21-28**      NT Page 35

**SERMON**      **"Who Gets Healed?"**      Rev. Ross Carter

**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**      **Rise, Shine, You People**      Dale Wood  
 Epworth Ringers      arr. Hart Morris  
 UMH No. 187

†† **OFFERTORY**      **How Lovely are the Messengers from St. Paul**  
 Chancel Choir      Felix Mendelssohn  
 (1809-1847)

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace! To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

\* **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)**

**Thank you for raising up faithful messengers and sending your Son Jesus to draw us close to you. Give us the ability to listen and obey you. Direct our efforts to fulfill your will in our lives and as part of this congregation. May our tithes, gifts, and service bring joy to people here in our neighborhood and around the world. We pray through the Word incarnate, Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

\* **HYMN NO. 557**      **Blest Be the Tie That Binds**      **DENNIS**

\* **PRONOUNCEMENT OF BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**      **Toccata from Suite Gothique, Op. 25**  
 Léon Boëllmann  
 (1862-1897)

**WELCOME!** We're glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Following the 11:00 service, there is a gathering in the Heritage Center for fellowship and refreshments. Please join us. Our host this week is Ruth Ann Stubblefield.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in honor of January birthdays of son, Bobby, and grandsons, Ross and John Banks Powell, by Bob and Helen Ellington.

**MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD** serving in January are Stacey Lahey, Janie Crouch, Mary Zeta Hornaday, Pat Kernodle, and Robin Mann.

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

	8:45	11:00
Liturgist:	Rex Waters	
Lay Reader:	Julian Mims	David Hamby
Acolytes:	Henry Lakey	Sarah & Turner Hargrove
Crucifer:	Hunter Lakey	Delaney Hovey

**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](mailto:prayer@frontstreetumc.org). We thank team member Vicky Glassford, who will be in the Prayer Room on our behalf at noon to pray for requests given on the Prayer Request Cards.

#### **JANUARY FOOD DRIVE CONTINUES**

There's still time to bring food supplies for Front Street's Backpack Ministry for children at Eastlawn Elementary. Please deposit your donations in the Reading Area. This collection will **continue through Wednesday, January 31**.

#### **CEREAL SUNDAY**

Cereal Sunday is **February 4**. Please deposit cereal or other dry/canned goods in the tubs in the cabinet in the Welcome Center. This month's collection will go to the Salvation Army. Thank you for your support!

#### **CHURCH WOMEN UNITED**

Church Women United will be hosting "Fill My Cup," a tea and annual meeting, on **Saturday, February 3 at 1:45 p.m.** The tea will be held at Belmont United Methodist Church on Hwy 49. All women are invited to attend. Contact Doris Jefferson at 336-228-0130 for additional information.

#### **COMMUNITY CONVERSATION EVENT**

##### **HINDSIGHT, FORESIGHT, & INSIGHT: AN AFTERNOON WITH RUBY SALES**

**FEBRUARY 4, 2018, 3:00 P.M. AT THE HAW RIVER BALLROOM, SAXAPAHAW, NC**

Ruby Sales is a civil rights activist and the founder and director of the SpiritHouse Project. She is one of 50 African Americans spotlighted in the new Smithsonian National Museum of African-American History and Culture in Washington, D.C. Sponsors include the Corridor District and Front Street United Methodist Church. No RSVP necessary. This event is free of charge.

#### **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

Circles 1, 2, and 4 will meet in the Heritage Center for fellowship and beverages at 10:00 a.m. on **Monday, February 5**. The general meeting will convene in the Chapel at 10:30 a.m. Circle 5 will meet on **Tuesday, February 13** at 7:00 p.m. in the Heritage Center. All women are invited to join us. For more information, please contact Doris Jefferson at 336-228-0130.

#### **PANCAKE SUPPER**

The Men's Breakfast Bible Study will host their annual pancake supper on **February 18, 2018 from 5 to 7 p.m.** The menu includes both pancakes and sausage/bacon. This year, country ham also will be available. The price is only \$6 for an individual and \$16 for a family. Purchase your tickets from members at the table in the Welcome Center before, after, and between Sunday services and at the door. This fund-raising event benefits mission purposes. Come enjoy good fellowship, good food, and contribute to a great cause.

#### **SILENT AUCTION**

There will be a silent auction on **Sunday, February 18** during the Men's Breakfast Bible Study Pancake Supper. All proceeds will go to youth missions.

#### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

The following dates are available to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one: **February 11, 18, and 25**. Please contact Linda Paul at 336-543-5081 or [kpaul5@triad.rr.com](mailto:kpaul5@triad.rr.com) for details or to sign up.

SEE BACK OF BULLETIN FOR MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2018**

#### **Sunday, January 28**

8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:00	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:15	Youth Missions Stock Sale Envelope Stuffing	Ministry 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
6:00	UMYF	Ministry Center

#### **Tuesday, January 30**

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
7:00	Hospitality Committee Meeting	John Wesley Room

#### **Wednesday, January 31**

7:30	UMYF Breakfast Club	Dr. Cecil's Office 1711 Sykes St.
7:00	Chancel Choir	Choir Room

#### **Thursday, February 1**

9:30	Prayer and Meditation	Prayer Room
7:00	Worship Committee Meeting	John Wesley Room

#### **Sunday, February 4**

8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:00	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
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#### **EPWORTH RINGERS ANNOUNCEMENT:**

If you have ever wanted to ring handbells, then now is your chance. Epworth Ringers has an opening this spring. We would love to have someone as soon as possible. Rehearsals are on Tuesday nights from 6:15 until 7:30 p.m., and we ring once a month (usually on the fourth Sunday) at the 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. worship services. A rudimentary knowledge of note reading is recommended. Please contact Matt Brittain at [matt@frontstreetumc.org](mailto:matt@frontstreetumc.org) if you are interested or if you have any questions.

#### **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. 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**



#### **Pastors**

Rev. Ross Carter  
Rev. Patrick Murphy

#### **Associate Pastor of Student Ministries**

Dave Bollen

#### **Organist/Director of Music**

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