

**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**June 2, 2019**  
**ASCENSION OF THE LORD**  
**HOLY COMMUNION**

*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**      **Prelude on 'Rhosymedre'**      Ralph Williams  
(1872-1958)

**\* OPENING PRAYER (IN UNISON)**

**Almighty God, through Jesus Christ, you revealed to us a power that has no parallel. May the eyes of our hearts be enlightened to this power and all it has done in our lives. Continue to pour out your Spirit power upon us, that we may proclaim your glory and your grace. Amen.**

**\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 400**

**Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**      **NETTLETON**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)**

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE (IN RESPONSE TO CONFESSION)**

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. 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)



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

*Children ages 4–first grade may depart for Children's Church in Room 304.*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (IN UNISON)**

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**      **Ephesians 1:15-23**      NT Page 192

**\* GOSPEL LESSON**      **Luke 24:44-53**      NT Page 91

**SERMON**      **"The Ascension and You"**      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**

**GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Thank you for your support of the mission and ministry of the church. If you would prefer to make your contribution via Text-to-Give, just text your offering amount to FSUMC's dedicated number, 336-489-GIVE (4483).

† **OFFERTORY**      **Duo on 'Hyfrydol'**      Rebecca te Velde  
(b. 1956)

†† **OFFERTORY**      **Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley**  
Chancel Choir      Victor C. Johnson  
(b. 1978)

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself. Oh, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself. Jesus prayed, there in the garden, he had to pray all by himself. Oh, nobody else could pray there with him, he had to pray all by himself. Jesus died way out on Calvary, he was pierced and crucified. Oh, nobody else could die in his place, he had to die all by himself. We must walk this lonesome valley, we have to walk it by ourselves. Oh, nobody else can walk it for us; we have to walk it by ourselves.

**\* 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)**

**O Lord, you are the victorious King! You have revealed your victory over death through Jesus' resurrection. With joyful songs, we rejoice in your marvelous deeds. Let our voices and actions reflect your saving power. Use our gifts to help more people to know your steadfast love in Christ, until the day when this world is made new in your kingdom. Amen.**

† **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**      **UMH No. 17**

†† **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**      **UMH No. 24**

**The Great Thanksgiving**  
**The Lord's Prayer**  
**The Sharing of Bread and Cup**

*After sharing communion, you are invited to take a June prayer card to use in your daily prayer life.*

**COMMUNION**      **How Deep the Father's Love for Us**

Ernest Lewis, Jr. tenor      Brenda Portman  
(b. 1980)

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away, as wounds which mar the Chosen One, bring many sons to glory. Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders; ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished; His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished. I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom; but I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (IN UNISON)**

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\* HYMN No. 451**      **Be Thou My Vision**      **SLANE**

**\* PRONOUNCEMENT OF BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**      **Prelude on 'Hyfrydol'**      Ralph Williams

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

	8:45	11:00
Communion Servers:		Phil & Jean Minton
Liturgist:	JoAnn Barbour	
Lay Reader:	Willard Haggins	Jim Brannock
Acolytes:	Thomas Joyner	Hallie & Mack Smith
Crucifer:	Amelia Pardue	Jacob Wilkinson

**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. Jason Forgey.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in memory of Hilda Hedgecock on our 48<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by David.

**MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD** serving in June are Jane Bazemore, Gaile Bowling, June Fogleman, Sally Fox, Stephanie Huffstetter, Margaret Mitchell, and Margaret Pardue.

**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 Bev Thomas, who will be in the Prayer Room on our behalf at noon to pray for requests given on the Prayer Request Cards.

#### SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Calling all kids Kindergarten - 5th grade! Beginning **today**, join us during the Sunday School hour and learn how we are all UNDER CONSTRUCTION! Construction sites are exciting places, filled with interesting, heavy machinery and abuzz with noise and activity. When we follow Jesus, God begins a good work in us. We become the construction site where God is building something amazing.

#### INVITATION

The Corridor District Committee on Superintendency invites you to celebrate the ministry of Rev. Carol Goehring and Rev. Jessie Larkins **today** from 4-6 p.m. at Orange UMC, 1220 MLK Jr. Blvd., Chapel Hill, NC.

#### HYMNS AND HOPS

Hymns and Hops is back at The Oak House in Elon at 7 p.m. **tonight!** Come join us for an ecumenical gathering of singing, sharing stories, and enjoying beverages together. This gathering is family friendly and for all ages. See you there!

#### 5TH GRADE EASTLAWN GRADUATION

Cookies are needed to serve to the Eastlawn graduates and their families following their graduation on **Wednesday, June 5**. Cookies can be home-made or store-bought (no nuts please). Please deliver cookies to the church office by **Tuesday, June 4**. If you can help set-up or serve, please contact Marcy McAdams at [marcy@frontstreetumc.org](mailto:marcy@frontstreetumc.org).

#### WHEELCHAIR RAMP BUILD

Join our Wheelchair Ramp Ministry Team on their next build scheduled on **Saturday, June 8 at 8:30 a.m.** All youth and adults are welcome. On-site training is provided, and no experience is necessary. Contact Tom Sineath for details: [tom.sineath@gmail.com](mailto:tom.sineath@gmail.com).

#### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Date	8:45	Aldersgate	11:00	Online	Total
5/5	42	55	177	10	284
5/12	51	55	201	11	318
5/19	72	39	172	0	283
5/26	42	51	160	0	253

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#### CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 2, 2019

##### Sunday, June 2

8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
8:45	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00	Worship Service	Sanctuary

##### Wednesday, June 5

7:30	Youth Breakfast Club	Dr. Cecil's Office 1711 Sykes St.
8:30	Eastlawn Elementary School Graduation	Sanctuary
6:00	Aldersgate Praise Band	Aldersgate Hall

##### Thursday, June 6

9:30	Prayer and Meditation	Prayer Chapel
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##### Saturday, June 8

10:00	ASP and HRLC Team Building	Aldersgate Hall
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##### Sunday, June 9

8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
8:45	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
10:00	Senior Brunch	Ministry Center
11:00	Worship Service	Sanctuary
5:00	Williams High School Baccalaureate Service	Sanctuary/AH

#### CONFIRMATION AND SENIOR SUNDAY

Join us on **Sunday, June 9** for Confirmation and Senior Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. service, as we celebrate our confirmands and high school graduates.

#### NORTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Our pastors and lay delegates will be attending the Annual Conference, **June 12-15** at the Greenville Convention Center, Greenville, NC. Let's surround our pastors, delegates, and bishop with prayer as they discern God's will and order for the ministries of the NC Annual Conference.

#### MOVIE NIGHT

Mark your calendars for another movie night. On **Friday, June 14**, we will show "The Sound of Music" in Aldersgate Hall at 6:00 p.m. This is the sing-along version and is rated G--so bring the whole family and come ready to join in! The Upper Room Sunday School Class will provide water and popcorn. Please sign up by June 11 at [www.frontstreetumc.org/features](http://www.frontstreetumc.org/features).

#### MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY

Are you interested in becoming part of the Front Street membership? The next quarterly Membership Sunday is **June 23**. 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.

#### BILLY GRAHAM LIBRARY TRIP

The Front Street Travelers have scheduled their first bus trip to the Billy Graham Library in Charlotte on **Wednesday, June 19**. The price is \$25 and includes transportation by Front Street bus and lunch at the Library. Reservations are required and limited to the first twenty travelers to register. If you are interested, register now as the bus is half full already! For reservations or additional information, contact Charles Hawks at [charleshawks1@gmail.com](mailto:charleshawks1@gmail.com) or 336-264-1616.

#### LIVE-STREAMING

We are no longer able to live-stream our 11:00 a.m. worship on Facebook. We are exploring the possibility of live streaming on YouTube.

# FRONT STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### Our Mission:

*Knowing Christ • Growing in Christ • Sharing Christ*



#### Pastors

Rev. Ross Carter  
Rev. Patrick Murphy

**Youth Minister**  
Chris Huneycutt

**Organist/Director of Music**  
Dr. Matt Brittain

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