THE WORSHIP OF GOD October 27, 2019 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 Aria Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

* CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)

Leader: Power and might and majesty belong to God,

who created and is creating.

People: Thanks be to God for God's mighty wonders.

Leader: Like the image of the powerful wind, and

heavens as a garment, God's majesty is

revealed in all creation.

People: We look around us at the wonders and marvel

at the infinite variety and beauty, which God

has created.

Leader: Who are we, that God should pay attention to

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People: We are God's beloved children, the stewards

whom God has selected to care for his world.

Amen.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 152

I Sing the Almighty Power of God FOREST GREEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Lord calls us to serve and love others. For it is in serving others that we serve him. Let's take this moment to offer to God those times when we thought of ourselves first.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)

Loving Father, we both know that there are times when you have called us to spend some time and effort in order to benefit someone else. We also both know that we aren't always obedient to your call. Forgive us, we pray, and lead us to a mind and a heart that is more like Christ's. It's in His name we pray. Amen.

PERSONAL CONFESSION AND MEDITATION (IN SILENCE)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: A contrite heart leads to an openness to the Spirit's leading. 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 Glory Be to the Father MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. UMH No. 70

* PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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†† 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)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 65 OT Page 527

†† ANTHEM Meditation on "I Am Thine, O Lord"

Epworth Ringers Sandra Eithun

(b. 1963)

Gospel Lesson Luke 18:9-14 NT Page 81

SERMON "Blessing of Heaven" 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

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 Meditation on "I Am Thine, O Lord"

Epworth Ringers Sandra Eithun

†† OFFERTORY Just As I Am

Chancel Choir (b. 1955)

Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bid'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings within and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea, all I need, in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve, because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am (thy love unknown has broken every barrier down;) now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, of that free love the breadth, length, depth and height to prove, here for a season, then above, O Lamb of God, I come.

-Charlotte Elliot (1789-1871)

* 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! UMH No. 94

* Prayer of Thanksgiving (In Unison)

Holy Lord, the gifts we bring this morning are not a down payment toward future favor, but a token of a debt we will never be able to repay. May we gain wisdom in the giving, and may these gifts be blessed for your glory, not ours. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

- * HYMN No. 357 Just as I Am. Without One Plea WOODWORTH
- * 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 Don and Glenda Milligan.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of the birthday of Joanna Peach by Jan and Dex Peach.

MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD serving in October are Teresa Chandler, Trisha Craig, Marianna Harris, Betty Huneycutt, and Marie Ray.

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

8:45

Lay Reader: Willard Haggins John Lewis
Emma Kate & Thomas

Acolytes: Charlie Smith

Crucifer: Grey Metts

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Joyner

Will Self

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 members David and Nancy Hamby, who will be in the Prayer Room on our behalf at noon to pray for requests given on the prayer request cards.

FALL BACK

Next **Sunday, November 3**, Daylight Saving Time ends. Turn your clocks back 1 hour!

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

We will celebrate All Saints' Sunday on **November 3** at the Aldersgate and 11:00 a.m. services, when we will remember all those who in the last year finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. Join us for a message of hope and remembrance as we celebrate the promise of the resurrection. **Please note that there will be no 8:45 a.m. traditional service.**

CEREAL SUNDAY | SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

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

CHARGE CONFERENCE

Front Street's annual Charge Conference is on **Sunday, November 10 at 3:00 p.m.** at First UMC, Elon. The members of the Visioning Council are the voting members of the Charge Conference.

POINSETTIAS

Order a poinsettia (\$23.00) in honor or memory of a loved one. Poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 1. Order online or pick up a form from the Welcome Center. **Deadline to order is November 17**.

FRONT STREET PLAYSCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Playschool is hosting the Sixth Annual Holiday Marketplace on **Sunday**, **November 17** from **2 - 5 p.m.** in **Aldersgate Hall**. Admission is free. Come browse and get a jump on Christmas shopping, or find something special for yourself!

FAMILY ADVENT WORKSHOP

Calling all families! Save the date and join us for a Family Advent Workshop following our church-wide covered dish luncheon on **Sunday, November 24**. Learn about the significance of Advent through hands-on activities, and make your own family Advent wreath. This workshop is for all ages. A nursery will be provided for little ones. **Registration is open November 1-17**. Contact Carol Sineath at cwsineath@gmail.com or 336-263-2495 with questions.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Date	8:45	Aldersgate	11:00	Total
9/29	52	45	192	289
10/6	43	45	195	283
10/13	32	64	221	317
10/20	35	23	190	248

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 27, 2019

Sunday, October 27

8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
8:45	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00	Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:00	Financial Peace	Room 301
4:00	Children's Choir	Sanctuary
4:00	Youth Choir	Choir Room
5:00	Wesley Ringers	Room 406
5:00	Youth Bells	Bell Room
6:00	UMYF	Aldersgate Hall
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Tuesday, October 29

7:30 Mer	n's Breakfast Bible Study	Reading Area
9:30 Tue:	sday Morning Women's Bible Study	Room 305
6:15 Epw	orth Ringers	Bell Room
7:00 Find	ıncial Peace	Room 401

Wednesday, October 30

	Youth Breakfast Club/Junior High Youth Breakfast Club/Senior High	Dr. Cecil's Office 1711 Sykes St.
6:00	Aldersgate Praise Band	Aldersgate Hall
7:00	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
7:00	Women's Bible Study	Room 401
7:00	The New TestamentBible Study	Room 405

Saturday, November 2

8:00 Front Street Travelers	West Jefferson, NC
8:30 Wheelchair Ramp Build	

Sunday, November 3

8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
8:45	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:00	Confirmation Orientation Session	Ministry Center
4:00	Financial Peace	Room 301
4:00	Children's Choir	Sanctuary
4:00	Youth Choir	Choir Room
5:00	Wesley Ringers	Room 406
5:00	Youth Bells	Bell Room
6:00	UMYF	Aldersgate Hall

LIVE-STREAMING

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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