

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
September 30, 2018
NINETEENTH 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 **Prelude in A Minor, WoO 9/i**

Johannes Brahms
(1833-1897)

* **CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)**

Leader: Rejoice, God is with us.

People: Praise be to God who leads us each and every day.

Leader: God leads us into worship and our spirits are lifted.

People: Praise be to God!

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 88**

Maker, in Whom We Live

DIADEMATA

CALL TO CONFESSION

Forgive us when we stumble and falter. Turn us again to you, joyfully and confidently.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)

Almighty God, we confess that we have strayed from your way. We have allowed ourselves to be too conformed to the world. Forgive us, we pray. Lead us again by your Holy Spirit, that we might be the people you call us to be. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

PERSONAL CONFESSION AND MEDITATION (IN SILENCE)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: God's grace and forgiveness gives us hope. 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 **Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive** **DETROIT**

"Forgive our sins as we forgive," you taught us, Lord, to pray; but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say. UMH No. 390, Stanza 1

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

†† **THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

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Etta Louise Phillips

†† **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)

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ruth 1:15-19

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†† **ANTHEM**

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

Epworth Ringers Cathy Moglebust
Vicki Oehling, piano (b. 1958)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

James 5:13-20

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SERMON

"People of the Book: Ruth" 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**

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Vicki Oehling, piano

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Geistliches Lied, Op. 30 Johannes Brahms

("Spiritual Song")

Chancel Choir

Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren mit Trauren, sei stille, wie Gott es fügt, so sei vergnügt mein Wille. Was willst du heute sorgen auf morgen, der Eine steht allem für, der gibt auch dir das Deine. Sei nur in allem Handel ohn' Wandel, steh' feste, was Gott beschleusst, das ist und heist das Beste. Amen. ("Let nothing ever grieve thee, distress thee, nor fret thee; heed God's good will, my soul, be still, compose thee. Why brood all day in sorrow? Tomorrow will bring thee God's help benign and grace sublime in mercy. Be true in all endeavor and ever ply bravely; what God decrees brings joy and peace, He'll stay thee. Amen.")

-Paul Flemming (1609-1640)

* **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)**

As we contemplate the gifts we offer in gratitude for your many blessings, remind us once again: if it had not been for you, Lord, if not for your love and generosity, we would not be here. We give our thanks in the name of Christ, which is above all names. Amen.

* **HYMN NO. 110**

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God EIN' FESTE BURG

* **PRONOUNCEMENT OF BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

Fugue in A Minor, WoO 9/ii

Johannes Brahms

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 hosts this week are Mr. and Mrs. Gene Fonville.

OUR PIANIST this morning is Vicki Oehling. Vicki and her husband, Lynn, are new to Burlington after living in Raleigh for 45 years. She worked as a general music teacher, middle school choir director at Ravenscroft school, private piano teacher, and accompanist/assistant director with the Raleigh Boychoir. They are loving having both sons and families here in Burlington and living at Twin Lakes.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of George W. Fox on his 92nd birthday by Sally, Gray, and Grant Fox. George has been homebound since the summer of 2017 due to a traumatic fall.

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

	8:45	11:00
Lay Reader:	Julian Mims	Sally Fox
Acolytes:	Adam Faircloth	Chandler Beckom and Jacob Wilkinson
Crucifer:	Jackson Faircloth	

MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD serving in September are Marianna Harris, Mary Ann Garrison, and Suzanne Troxler.

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 Betty Saffelle and Ruth Ann Stubblefield, who will be in the Prayer Room on our behalf at noon to pray for requests given on the Prayer Request Cards.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Circles 1, 2, and 4 will meet in the Heritage Center for fellowship and refreshments at 10:00 a.m. on **Monday, October 1**. The General Meeting will convene in the Chapel at 10:30 am. **Circle 5** will meet on **Tuesday, October 9** at 7:00 p.m. in the Heritage Center. All women are invited to join us. Contact Doris Jefferson at 336-228-0130 for more information.

CROP WALK

CROP Walk is calling - this is the last week before the **October 6** Walk day, and you can still sign up at the CROP Table in the Welcome Center. The Walk starts and ends at the Holly Hill Mall rear parking area. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. and the Walk starts at 9:30 a.m. Good luck to all walkers, and a big thank you to all walkers and sponsors! For Walk information, call Jenna Johnson at 336-584-1120 or Phil Young at 336-584-2090.

CEREAL SUNDAY | SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

Please deposit cereal or other canned/dry goods in the tubs in the cabinet in the Welcome Center. October's collection will go to the Salvation Army.

FLOOD BUCKETS

Front Street will be collecting flood buckets for people affected by Hurricane Florence. Flood buckets are filled with supplies that enable people to begin the overwhelming job of cleaning up after a flood or hurricane. A list of items and assembly instructions for flood buckets may be found in the Welcome Center and online at <https://www.umcor.org/umcor/relief-supplies/relief-supply-kits/cleaning>. Only fully assembled buckets will be accepted. Please return assembled buckets to the Welcome Center by **Sunday, October 7**.

JEANNE ROBERTSON SHOW: A MISSION FUNDRAISER

Tickets are still available for Jeanne Robertson's show on **Sunday, October 14** at 2:30 p.m. in Aldersgate Hall. All proceeds benefit the FSUMC Haiti mission trip in January 2019! Tickets are still available for \$30 and can be purchased from the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings, in the church office, or from a team member.

NEW MEMBER GATHERING

Do you have questions about joining the membership of Front Street? Have you joined the church in the past year, and would like to learn more about how to get plugged in? Join Pastor Ross and his wife Sarah at their home on **October 21, at 7:00 p.m.** for dessert, where information will be shared about the UMC and Front Street, in particular. Please email Pastor Ross (ross@frontstreetumc.org) to RSVP.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Date	8:45	9:00	11:00	Online	Total
9/2	47	43	147	0	237
9/9	0	0	234	17	251
9/16	36	41	188	15	280
9/23	39	42	191	9	281

SEE BACK OF BULLETIN FOR MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Sunday, September 30

8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:00	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00	Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:00	Children's Choirs	Sanctuary
4:00	Youth Choir	Choir Room
5:00	Wesley Ringers	Room 307
5:00	Youth Bells	Bell Room
6:00	UMYF/Confirmation Class	Aldersgate Hall

Monday, October 1

10:00	UMW	Heritage Center
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Tuesday, October 2

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	Stewardship Committee Meeting	John Wesley Room
7:00	Children's Council Meeting	Room 401

Wednesday, October 3

7:30	Youth Breakfast Club	Dr. Cecil's Office 1711 Sykes St.
6:00	Aldersgate Praise Band	Aldersgate Hall
7:00	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
7:00	Wednesday Night Ladies Bible Study	Room 401

Thursday, October 4

9:30	Prayer and Meditation	Prayer Room
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4:00	Youth Choir	Choir Room
5:00	Wesley Ringers	Room 307
5:00	Youth Bells	Bell Room
5:00	Disciple Bible Study	Room 303
6:00	UMYF/Confirmation Class	Aldersgate Hall

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES | OCTOBER 26-27, 29-30, AND NOVEMBER 1-3

Photography for our upcoming directory event is fast approaching. With a goal of 100%, we need all of our families to sign up. Our directory will help us stay connected. Photography times are still available. You may sign up on our church website or in person during office hours, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

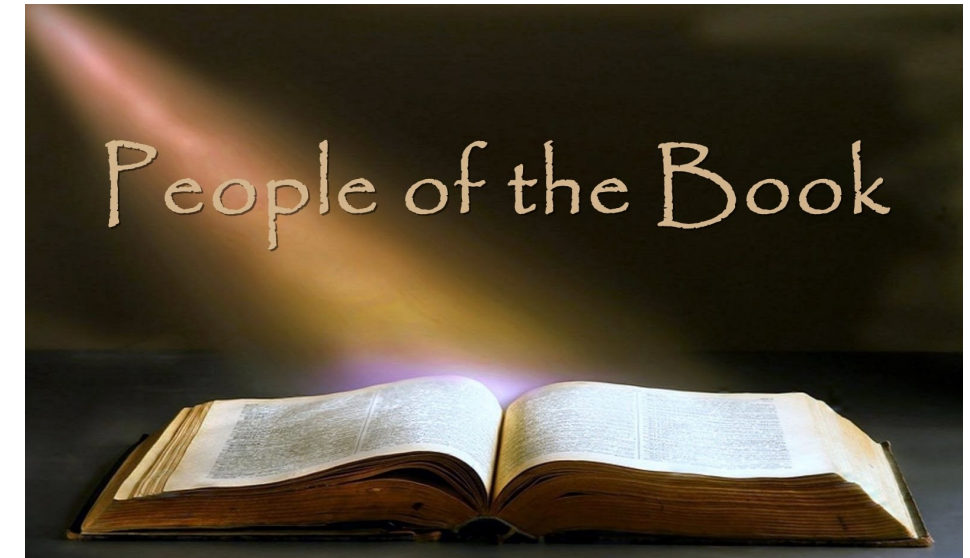
LIVE-STREAMING ON FACEBOOK

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



Pastors

Rev. Ross Carter
Rev. Patrick Murphy

Youth Minister

Chris Huneycutt

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