

**Morning Worship
January 28, 2018
Dedication Sunday**

We Gather in God's Name

Greeting Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Minute for Giving Tracie Phillips

Prelude Pastorale on "How Firm A Foundation" Linker

Choral Introit *Come and Sing the Praise of the Lord*

*Call to Worship Tracie Phillips

Great God of all provision, we bring to you this day our gifts of treasure.

May our material giving reflect not our bounty, but yours, O God.

Creator God, who has uniquely crafted each of us, we bring to you this day our gifts of talent.

May our creativity glorify your creating Spirit, O God.

Merciful God, Alpha and Omega, we bring to you this day our gifts of time.

May we live as your people in every place, in every moment, from this day until our last. Amen.

Let us worship God.

*Prayer of the Day

God of salvation, it is a privilege to worship you! You are the source of goodness, truth, and beauty; you love all you have made. On this Day of Dedication, we ask you to empower us in Christ to share your good news in generous ways. Give us the gift of sharing, that we may bring our offerings to you with hearty songs of praise and joyous hearts. We pray through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

*Hymn 716 *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

Call to Confession

All of us have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Yet we believe and proclaim that God yearns to be reconciled with us and to shower mercy on us.

Let us confess our sins together, so that we may know the forgiveness of God.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of all blessings, you shower our world and our lives with your love and with your guidance. Yet most often we miss your presence. We focus on things that are seen and not the things that are unseen. We allow ourselves to be consumed by petty annoyances. Help us to pause, O God. Open our eyes to see and our hearts to receive the bright and beautiful blessings that surround us. And open our minds to discern how we can be a blessing to those around us. Amen.

(Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

The majesty and power of the Creator are matched only by Divine mercy and love. Because of this love, made clear in Jesus Christ, we can rejoice that we are forgiven of all rebellion and strong-headedness. God is ever-present with us to guide us home. Friends, trust the good news of your salvation,

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Holy Interruption *We greet our neighbors in Christ's love*

We Receive God's Word

Children's Sermon

Preschool-Kindergarten age children are dismissed to the Pray n' Play program held in the room beside the church nursery in the main Church building. Children who are in the 1st grade and higher should return to their seats in the congregation

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Lesson Mark 1:14-20

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"A Call to Change"

Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold

We Respond to God's Word

Anthem *Bring What You Have*

Cindy Berry

Bring what you have to the Savior.
Whether great or small, lay it at His feet.
He can bless and multiply, so that all will magnify
The name of Jesus, our Lord.

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God is the Giver of all that is good.
He showers His children with love.
When we give as we receive,
Trust His Word and believe,
We exalt our Father above.

Bring what you have to the Savior.
Whether great or small, lay it at His feet.
He can bless and multiply, so that all will magnify
The name of Jesus, our Lord.

If you give to Jesus all that you have, placing it in His hands.
He will be glorified. His name will be lifted high
To the praise of His glorious power, His power.

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The name of Jesus, our Lord.
Bring it to Jesus.

* Declaration of Faith (*1 Cor. 15:1-6*)

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many witnesses.

We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

**Gloria Patri* (hymn 581)

**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, Amen.**

Prayers of The People (concluding with the Lord's Prayer)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Invitation

Offertory *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* Post

* Praise of God *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

**We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee**

*Dedication Hymn 711 *Lord of All Good*

(The congregation is invited to bring forward pledges at this time.)

Prayer of Dedication

We Depart in God's Name

* Hymn 450 *Be Thou My Vision*

* Benediction and Sending

* Choral Response *Alleluia! Laud and Blessing*

* Postlude Finale on "How Firm A Foundation" Linker

The **flowers** are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God by Brother and Betty Davis.

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The Giving Ministry Team would like to remind you of the **Stewardship Luncheon** immediately after Worship Service this morning.

Our Vision

**Rooted by God's Grace,
Growing in the Spirit,
Reaching Out with Christ's Love**

Elder in Charge of Greeting

Mike Chapman

Deacons in Charge of Ushers

Fred Harris and Kaye Marsh

Prayer List as of January 28, 2018

Benny Moore	Bennie Moore	Pam Chapman
Gerry Rogers	Tom Brewer	
Dee Pierce	Bill Tillman	

Residents at Presbyterian Communities of SC
Ruth Leggett – Columbia
Artha Sompayrac – Summerville
B. J. Moore - Summerville

Copies of the **extended prayer list** (which includes non-members) can be obtained by calling the church office.

To be a good steward of God's blessings, please bring a can or two to help **"fill the wagon"** for the McArn Community Ministry. The need for canned goods is very high. The red wagon will be in the narthex every Sunday. Thanks for your generosity!

The Church This Week (1/28/2018)

Today	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Stewardship Luncheon
	6:00 p.m.	Youth
Mon.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
	9:00 a.m.	Newsletter Deadline
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

The Church Staff

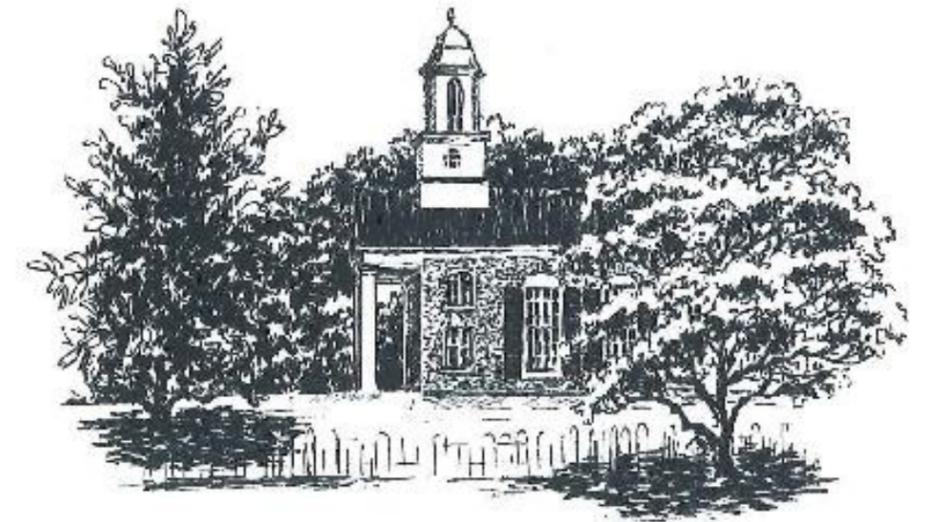
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Our Mission

**By the Grace of God, we are rooted in Christ through love.
We grow in the Spirit by worshipping, by studying,
and by cultivating relationships with Christ and others.
As stewards of God's gifts and affirming our faith
in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior,
we share God's Mission of reaching out
with Christ's Love.**

Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold
Stated Supply

Missionaries

Mr. Mark Hare/ Mrs. Jenny Bent Hare *Haiti*
Mr. and Mrs. Alan Smith *Germany/Russia*

Nursery/Pray N' Play

Jan. 28 Kelli Beck and youth