

Morning Worship
July 22, 2018
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Prelude *The Church's One Foundation* Cherwien

Choral Introit *As the Deer*

*Call to Worship Michael Hammer

Christ says, come away to a deserted place and rest a while.

God calls us to quiet and rest, even as we continue to minister to those in need.

Let us worship God. Let us pray:

*Prayer of the Day

Holy One, we want to be the sheep of your pasture. Care for us, feed us, and lead us, we pray. Once we are strengthened by your presence, raise us up to be shepherds ourselves who tend to those who fear and dismay so that our lives may reflect our Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn 321 *The Church's One Foundation*

Call to Confession

When we gather to worship God, we remember that we are God's people, but we have often preferred our way instead of God's. Trusting God's power to make us new persons in Christ, let us confess our sin, confident of God's love for us. Let us pray:

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of green pastures, we confess that we can get so busy and distracted that we lose sight of your love and care for us. We forget to live in gratitude and fail to live lives of goodness and mercy. Forgive us, heal us, and lead us down gentle paths that restore our souls. Amen.

(Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness (2 Cor. 5:6-10, 14-17)

We who walk by faith and not by sight believe the good news – if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! Praise be to God for the mercy and grace that forgives our sins. Friends, declare 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 Mary Jane Evans
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

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 23

Gospel Lesson Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold

“Holy Rest”

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn 182 *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

* Declaration of Faith (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”
With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. 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 *Be Still, My Soul* Cherwien

* 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**

Prayer of Dedication

We Depart in God's Name

* Hymn 796 *We Come to You for Healing, Lord*

* Benediction and Sending

* Choral Response *Amen*

* Postlude *Voluntary* Anon.

The **flowers** are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God by Miriam Stricklin.

Usher/Greeter Team for July

Vernon White and Tom Hammer

Prayer List as of July 22, 2018

Benny Moore	Dee Pierce
Gerry Rogers	Pam Chapman

Residents at Presbyterian Communities of SC
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 help **"fill the wagon"** for the McArn Community Ministry. The red wagon will be in the narthex every Sunday. Thanks for your generosity!

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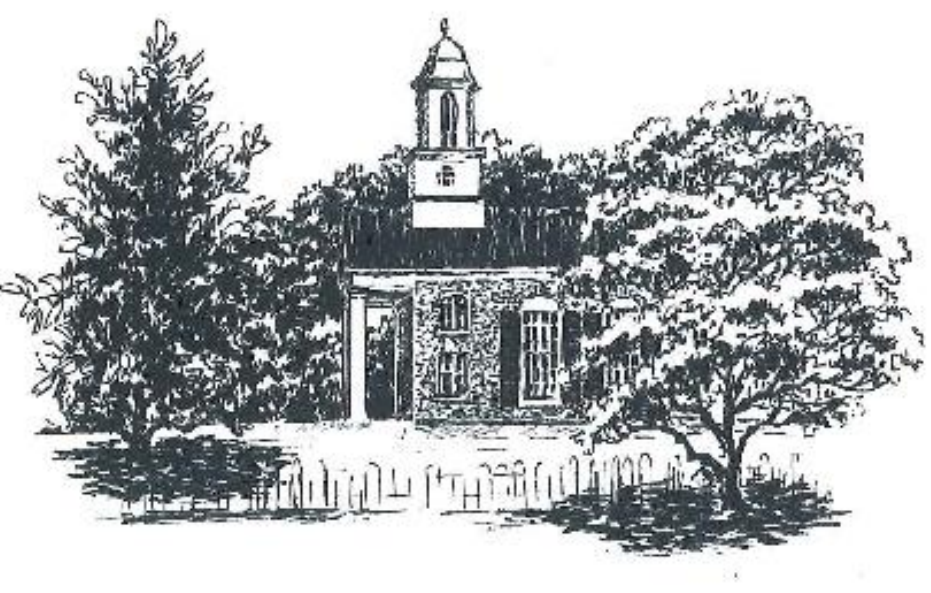
Our Vision
**Rooted by God's Grace,
Growing in the Spirit,
Reaching Out with Christ's Love**

The Church This Week (7/22/2018)

Today	11:00 a.m.	Worship
Mon.	6:00 p.m.	Mission/CE/Fellowship
Tues.	8-10 a.m.	One Fifty Ate Bakery
	5:30 p.m.	Mission Outreach
Sun.	11:00 a.m.	Worship

Nursery/Pray N' Play

July 22	Kelli Beck
July 29	Christie and Alice McLeod



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*

The Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold, Pastor	Mr. Mac McCall, DCE & Director of Choirs
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