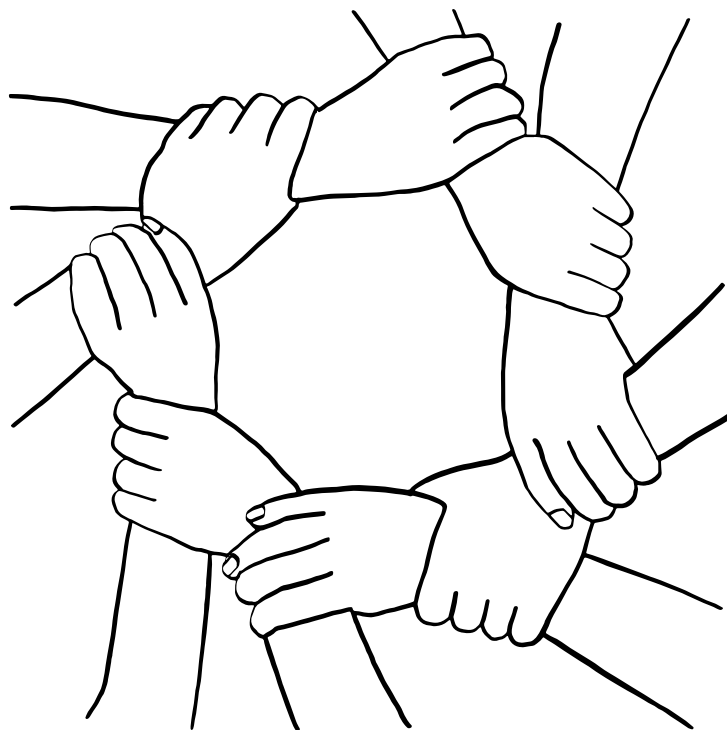


# ALDERSGATE

METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTH CHARLESTON

We exist for the Glory of God and the Good of the City



## The Full Assurance of Faith

22th Sunday after Pentecost  
October 20th, 2024



The Sanctuary is equipped with the **Sennheiser MobileConnect** assistive listening system.  
If you need help connecting your device, please reach out to Aaron (Sound Tech.)

- 1 - Download the app for free from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.
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**Assisted Listening** password:**HearClearly!**
- 3 - Open the app and choose a channel.
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*"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."* Matthew 18:20

Welcome to Aldersgate Methodist Church of North Charleston.  
We're so happy that you are here!

Be thoughtful, be still, be reverent;  
for here we meet with a Holy God.

Before the service, speak to the Lord;  
during the service, let the Lord speak to you;  
after the service, speak to one another.

*-If you have kiddos four or under, we offer an engaging and loving nursery so that you can get some personal time with God.  
-Please silence your cellphones*



The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and  
 “In loving memory of our mother Elizabeth Martin”,  
 by Fred and Steve Martin.

If you would like to sponsor flowers for the altar and take them home after the service, please call or email the office.

# Worship Service

## Gathering Music

## Chiming of the Trinity

## Opening Hymn

## THINE BE THE GLORY

1. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en con - quering Son;  
 2. Lo! Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb;  
 3. No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life!

end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.  
 lov - ing - ly he greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom.  
 Life is naught with - out thee; aid us in our strife.

An - gels in bright rai - ment rolled the stone a - way,  
 Let the church with glad - ness hymns of tri - umph sing,  
 Make us more than con - querors, through thy death - less love;

kept the fol - ded grave clothes where thy bod - y lay.  
 for our Lord now liv - eth; death hath lost its sting.  
 bring us safe through Jor - dan to thy home a - bove.

*Refrain*  
 Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en con - quering Son;  
 end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

## Welcome & Opening Prayer

## Children's Moment

### Hymn

### SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a-fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a-fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.\_\_\_\_

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a-fresh on me.

### Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

**19** Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, **20** by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, **21** and since we have a great priest over the house of God, **22** let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. **23** Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. **24** And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, **25** not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

**26** For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, **27** but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries. **28** Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. **29** How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace? **30** For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people." **31** It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

**32** But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, **33** sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. **34** For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. **35** Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. **36** For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. **37** For,

“Yet a little while,

and the coming one will come and will not delay;

**38** but my righteous one shall live by faith,

and if he shrinks back,

my soul has no pleasure in him.”

**39** But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

Today's Sermon:

# The Full Assurance of Faith

Pastor Kam Stabler

## Special Music

## “BLESSINGS”

*by Laura Story*

We pray for blessings. We pray for peace.  
Comfort for family, protection while we sleep.  
We pray for healing, for prosperity.  
We pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering.  
And all the while, You hear each spoken need,  
yet love us way too much to give us lesser things.

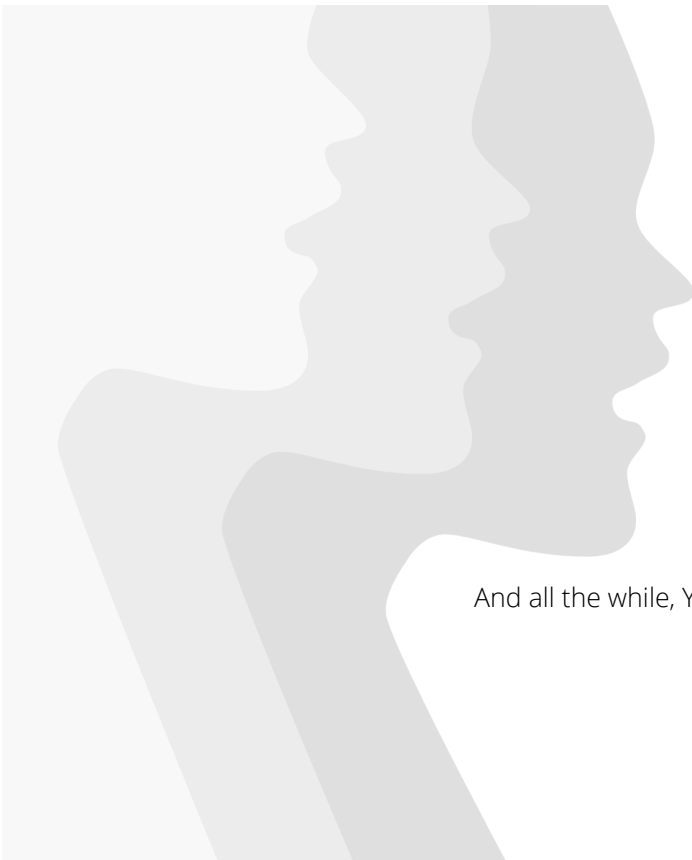
*Refrain:*

'Cause what if your blessings come through raindrops?  
What if Your healing comes through tears?  
What if a thousand sleepless nights  
Are what it takes to know You're near?  
And what if trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise?

We pray for wisdom. Your voice to hear.  
And we cry in anger when we cannot feel You near  
We doubt Your goodness, we doubt Your love  
as if every promise from Your Word is not enough.  
And all the while, You hear each desperate plea, and long that we'd have faith to believe.

When friends betray us. and when darkness seems to win.  
We know that pain reminds this heart. That this is not our home.

What if my greatest disappointments. Or the aching of this life  
Is the revealing of a greater thirst this world can't satisfy  
And what if trials of this life. The rain, the storms, the hardest nights.  
Are Your mercies in disguise?



# Holy Communion

Pastor: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

*All: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.*

## “Come Share the Lord”

by Bryan Jeffery Leech

We gather here in Jesus' name  
 His love is burning in our hearts like living flame  
 For through His loving Son the Father makes us one  
 Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord

No one is a stranger here. Everyone belongs  
 Finding our forgiveness here, we in turn forgive all wrongs

He joins us here He breaks the bread  
 The Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead  
 The One we love the most is now our gracious host  
 Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord  
 Come take the bread, come drink the wine, come share the Lord

# Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth;  
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
 born of the Virgin Mary,  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, dead, and buried;  
 the third day he rose from the dead;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church,  
 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
 Amen.

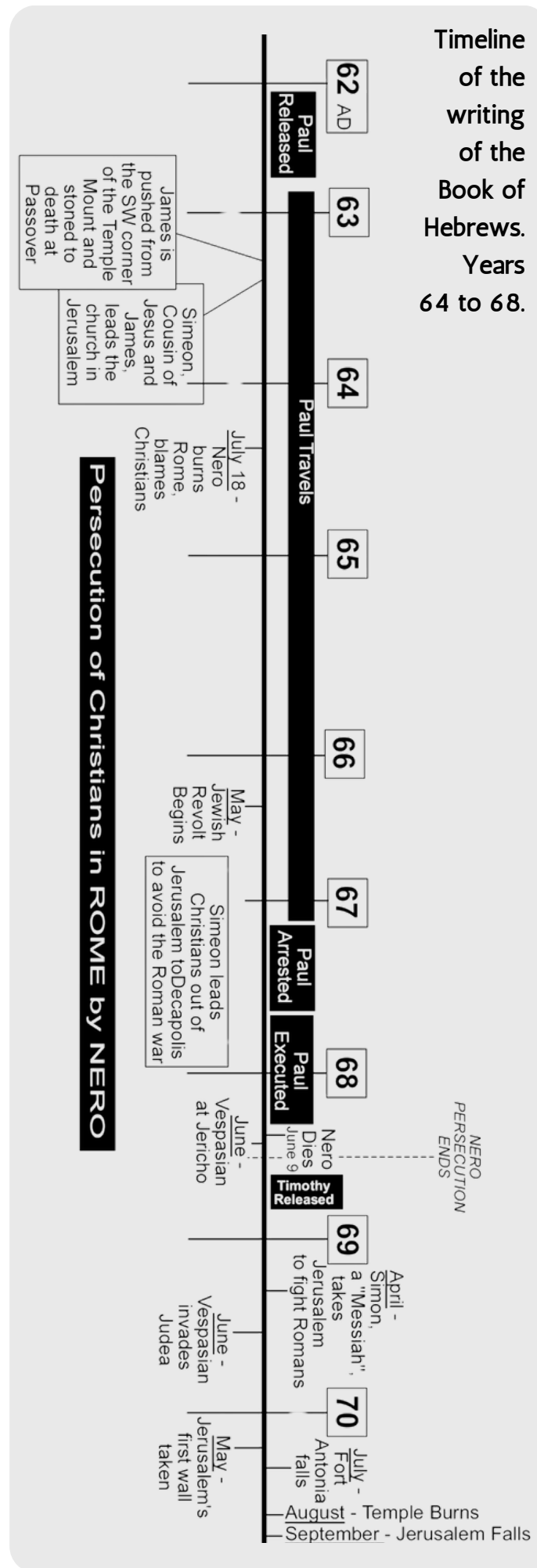
*\*The term "catholic" (with a lower case "c") does not refer to any specific denomination or group of Christians. The term comes from two Greek words that together mean "throughout the whole." So when the creed states, "I believe in the holy catholic church," it refers to the wholeness of the whole church in all times and places rather than to any specific branch of Christianity.*

# Gloria Patri

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.

# Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

# Timeline of the writing of the Book of Hebrews. Years 64 to 68.



## Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;  
Amen.

## Congregational Prayer

### 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 trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.

Amen.

## Closing Hymn

## BLESSED ASSURANCE



1. Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!  
2. Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, Vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;  
3. Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest, I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, Born of His Spir-it, washed in His blood.  
An-gels, de-scend-ing, bring from a-bove Ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.  
Watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, Filled with His good-ness, lost in His love.

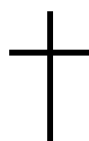


This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long;



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav-ior, all the day long.

## Benediction



# Hymn Stories

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## ***“Spirit of the Living God”***

This is one of the most long-lasting and widely used choruses in Christian worship. Every aspect of the song embodies a simple sincerity. The melody encompasses only five notes, with every pitch in its place. The harmonies can be played by a very modestly skilled pianist, and three of the four lines repeat the same nine words. Yet for many, the straightforward petitions of this song draw the singer into an attitude of prayer.

Despite its simplicity and sincerity, numerous versions concerning the song’s origins developed over the years. Carl P. Daw Jr. offers this account:

**When he wrote this text in 1926, the author was the pastor of Howard Memorial Presbyterian Church in Tarboro, North Carolina. He apparently began working on it in his study at the church, because there is now a plaque in that room commemorating the text’s origins. The stimulus for the central petitions seems to have been his encounter with Jeremiah 18:1-6, which describes the prophet’s visit to the potter’s house. From that passage emerged “Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me” (which also sound as if they might have been the organizing points of a sermon).**

Iverson then traveled to Orlando, Florida, in February of that year where evangelist George T. Stephens was conducting a revival. Another evangelist on the team, Dr. Barron, a physician from Columbia, South Carolina, impressed Iverson with his sermon on the Holy Spirit. Taking the kernel from earlier, the composer then went to First Presbyterian Church in Orlando, and found a piano. Miss Birdie Loes, the pianist for Stephens’ evangelistic team, notated the music on manuscript paper. The song leader for the team, E. Powell Lee, introduced it that evening and sang it throughout the evangelistic campaign.

Daniel Iverson (1890-1977) was a native of Brunswick, GA. He received his education at the University of Georgia in Athens, the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, Columbia Theological Seminary (Columbia, South Carolina, now in Decatur, Georgia), and the University of South Carolina. As a Presbyterian minister, Iverson served churches in Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina. In 1927 he organized the Shenandoah Presbyterian Church in Miami, FL, remaining with this congregation until his retirement in 1951.

While the inspiration for the hymn is not known for certain, it is likely that Iverson knew a hymn by Adelaide Pollard (1862-1934), “Have Thine Own Way, Lord,” based on Jeremiah 18:6: “O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the clay is in the potter’s hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel” (KJV).

The first stanza of Pollard’s hymn uses similar language (“Mold me and make me”). The final stanza also contains a petition to the Spirit (“Fill with thy Spirit”). Pollard’s hymn was written about 25 years before Iverson’s 1926 composition. Both use a similar musical idiom.

The Rev. Carlton Young, editor of The UM Hymnal, notes that the authorship of “Spirit of the Living God” was lost for a time because the song could so easily be taught without music or even printed words. It first appeared in Revival Songs (1929) in a slightly revised version that was published without the author’s permission, according to Dr. Young.

Southern Baptist gospel song composer B.B. McKinney made slight alterations and published it again in his Songs of Victory (1937). The altered version was solidified when it was published in the Baptist Hymnal (1956) without the composer’s name. E. Powell Lee, the song leader for the Stephens evangelistic team, brought Iverson’s name to light and his name was restored to the song in later printings of the Baptist Hymnal in the 1960s.

The Worshiping Church (1990), edited by Donald P. Hustad, offers a slight modification of the four central petitions: “Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me.” Carlton Young suggests that this may have been the original sequence. This hymnal also contains a complementary second stanza beginning, “Spirit of the living God, move among us all,” by Anglican priest and hymn writer Michael Baughen (b. 1930).



# Devotional for the week ahead

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## **An Emboldened Faith**

by Dena Krasae

I've been a shrinking violet most of my life. My faith was sincere but quiet and private. However, the last few years have brought unexpected changes that caused me to find a boldness in my spirit to weather the challenges of life.

In reading this passage, it is clear that we can have this boldness of spirit because of the power in Christ's finished work on the cross. We are now living under a new covenant. Salvation is eternal, the curtain is no more. We have full access to the Father and a High Priest to intercede for us.

With this knowledge it is important to fellowship with other believers to edify each other and increase our own spiritual maturity. This is where God had me take notice. My circumstances caused me to seek others to help me to not feel like a burden, so I could have the confidence in my walk with God to be a blessing.

Let us now go and tell the Good News to all. There will be those that reject the Good News, but we must never waver in our desire to share the Gospel. Be aware this may come at a cost. Sadly, Christian persecution is a reality in many parts of the world. You may not be imprisoned for your testimony, but you could be ridiculed. Expect it. Embrace it, for we have the assurance that we serve a God that keeps His promises.

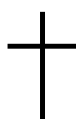
*Dear Lord,*

*We thank You for the hope we have because of Your Son's sacrifice.*

*We are made new under the covenant of grace.*

*Now may we go forth in faith and be a blessing to all.*

*Amen.*



## Aldersgate Prayer List

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Names will be removed from this list after four weeks unless requested otherwise.

Betty Black, Miriam Davis, Ernest Hoenck, Debbi Hawkins, Jeri Jackson,  
Wayne Jackson, Shawn Jacques, Eunice Longsine, Carol Massey, Ken McCrorie,  
Mike & Theresa Meynardie, Eleanor Overby, Melissa Paschen,  
Carol & Luke Poole, Joanne Ragge, Melody Robinson, Carol Jo Salas,  
Doris Sullivan, Janet Thigpen, Baker Williams, Jenny & Michael Worrell,  
Beth Yaun & family, and all affected by hurricane Helene and Milton.

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”

Philippians 4:6

# News & Updates

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## **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

November 3rd is All Saints Sunday, and we are collecting names for a memorial in our bulletin & for candle lighting during the worship service.

You can submit names in your offering envelope, or call/email the office.

The deadline for submitting names is Tuesday, October 29th.

## **MAKE, BAKE & GROW DAY of FUN!**

As we get closer to our "Make, Bake, and Grow Day of Fun" right after the church service on Sunday, November 3, 2024, we are realizing we need you!

Do you have any handmade items you might consider donating to the event? Items such as but not limited to: Christmas ornaments, quilts, crocheted potholders and blankets, door and porch decorations....

Are you handy in the kitchen? We would appreciate donations of cakes, pies, brownies, puddings, casseroles....

Do you have a "green thumb"? We would be truly grateful for plant contributions.... Peace lilies, aloe vera, decorative vines....

Remember this Day of Fun will kick off with a soup and sandwich luncheon immediately following worship on Sunday, November 3rd. All donations will be used to fund our Christmas Bible giveaway for our food bank guests on December 18th. We hope you will plan to join us!

Aldersgate's Nurture Committee

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

We are collecting items for Operation Christmas Child. Some examples of items are small toys, combs, hair ties, toothbrushes, school supplies and small clothing items.

When choosing items please remember they must fit in a shoe box. We will be holding a box packing party on Saturday, November 16 at 9:00 am. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Zartman.

## **HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF**

We are collecting monetary donations for the GMC of SC Disaster Relief Team.

Please, make your check payable to Aldersgate Methodist Church, with **"DRT"** on the MEMO line.

For cash donations, please write **"DRT"** on the offering envelope.

For online donations, go to: <https://onrealm.org/AldersgateRemount>

click on **Give Online**, and select **GMC OF SC DRT** from the **Fund** drop down menu.

## **LOWCOUNTRY CHURCH PLANT**

On June 8th, area Global Methodist Church clergy and church leaders met at Aldersgate to hear about the very first New Church Plant for the GMC of SC from Rev. Dan Griswold.

They are raising funds to support a new church that will be starting up in the Cane Bay/Nexton/Carnes Crossroads area over the next two to three years.

If you would like to donate to this exciting project, you can make donation checks payable to Aldersgate, with "FOR LOWCOUNTRY CHURCH PLANT" in the memo line. God is doing great things in South Carolina!

## **2025 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN**

If you haven't yet, we ask you to prayerfully consider what you plan to contribute in 2025 and to return your Estimate of 2025 Giving. Extra cards are available at both entrances of the church. Feel free also to mail, email, or phone the office with your estimate.

We will continue to be receiving your estimates as we prepare a projection for our 2025 Operating Budget. Your estimate of what you anticipate giving will be better than our estimate of what you will be giving. We urge you to share your estimate as soon as you are able.

Thank you.

# Sermon Notes

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## This Week

### MONDAY 21

HCM To-Go Soup Kitchen 10:30 AM

Monday Night Connection Potluck 6:00 PM

### TUESDAY 22

Prayer Meeting 10:00 AM

### WEDNESDAY 23

HCM Food Bank/Clothes Closet 10:00 AM

Choir Practice 6:00 PM

### THURSDAY 24

To-Go Soup Kitchen 10:30 AM

HCM Food Bank 6:00-7:00 PM

Youth Group 6:00-7:30 PM

### SATURDAY 26

Men's Group Gathering 5:00 PM

### SUNDAY 27

Sunday School 9:00 AM

Worship Service 10:00 AM

## Coming Soon...

Saturday, October 26

**Men's Group Gathering**

Sunday, November 3

**Make, Bake, and Grow Day of Fun**

Friday, November 15

**Family Game Night**

Saturday, November 16

**Operation Christmas Child**

*Box Packing Party! @9:00 AM*

Sunday, November 24

**Thanksgiving Potluck**

Tuesday, November 26

**2024 Charge Conference**

Saturday, December 7

**Hanahan Christmas Parade**

*10am from Hanahan High School.*

Friday, December 13

**Christmas Movie Night**

Sunday, December 29

**5th Sunday**

## Birthdays

10/21 Kim Prochazka

10/21 Anne Hamilton

10/23 Betty Wickert

10/29 Tony Wall

11/1 Kay Lawhon

11/4 Gayle Maherg

11/7 Larry Fulmer

11/11 Mikaela Gonzalez

11/12 Rod Wetzstein

11/15 Robin Speights

11/16 Steve Jones

11/17 Luke Poole

11/17 Frances Jenkins

11/18 Virginia Chinnes

## Anniversaries

10/16 Murrell & Debbi Hawkins (14th)

10/18 Steve & Debbie Jones (10th)

11/16 Ed & Bobbie Jean Blackwell (50th)

11/27 Luke & Carol Poole (59th)

If we left out your birthday or anniversary, please let us know: office@aldersgateremount.org

## Last Sunday

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Sunday School 48**

**In-person 105**

**Online 17**

**Fall Picnic 78**

**Giving Needed \$346,103.08**

**Giving Received \$345,763.23**

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