

ORDER OF WORSHIP
MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 24, 2021 11:00 a.m.

Morning Worship Broadcast over WGOS-AM 1070 and on Facebook Live

GATHERING AND GREETING

Prelude A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Charles W. Ore

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome and Parish Notes Reverend Rodney Denton

Call to Worship

Our souls wait in silence;
our hope rests in God
our rock
our salvation
our refuge.
We will not be shaken.
In this time of worship,
we pour out our hearts
because we trust in God's steadfast love.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Song of Praise Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Walcha, Callahan & Cherwein

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord who o'er all things so wondrously reigning
Bears thee on eagle wings, e're in his keeping maintaining.
God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds.
Hast thou not known his sustaining?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee.
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
Who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,
Fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed,
Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

The 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.**

Moment with the Children Reverend Lynda Hepler

Prayers of the People

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.**

Meditation Christ, the Solid Rock Sinclair & Rouse

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood, from thy wounded side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure; save from wrath and make me pure.

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Sermon The Rock Reverend Danny Leonard
Psalm 62:5-12

SENDING FORTH

Response House of God Forever Jon Foreman

God is my shepherd
I won't be wanting
I won't be wanting
He makes me rest in fields of green
With quiet streams
Even though I walk through the valley
Of death and dying
I will not fear 'cause You are with me
You are with me
Your shepherd's staff comforts me
You are my feast in the presence of enemies
Surely goodness will follow me

Follow me
In the house of God forever

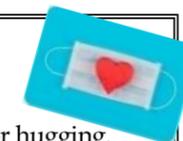
Benediction Rev. Leonard

Postlude Toccata on LASST UNS ERFREUEN Charles Callahan

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!

What to Expect at Indoor Worship

- Some pews are blocked to maintain social distancing.
- Face masks are required for everyone.
- Out of respect for others, please refrain from shaking hands or hugging.
- Offering plates are available at the entrance and exit of the sanctuary.
- At the end of the service, the congregation will be dismissed by section.
- No nursery staff are present, but the nursery space is available.



Today's Scripture

Scripture Psalm 62:5-12 (NRSV)

⁵ For God alone my soul waits in silence,
for my hope is from him.
⁶ He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
⁷ On God rests my deliverance and my honor;
my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.
⁸ Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us. Selah
⁹ Those of low estate are but a breath,
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.
¹⁰ Put no confidence in extortion,
and set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.
¹¹ Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,
¹² and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.
For you repay to all
according to their work.

Announcements

EMPTY BOWLS DATE CHANGE

The Empty Bowls Committee would like to thank the 2020 Empty Bowls ticket holders for your patience and understanding in rescheduling this fundraiser. The committee has made the difficult decision to postpone the Empty Bowls dinner and Silent Auction until March 18, 2022. All 2020 tickets will be honored for the event in 2022 unless a refund is requested. You may contact Sandy McGhee at 336-870-4015 with any questions or action regarding tickets. Thank you.

Thank you!



COVID-19 VACCINE INFORMATION

Many people are understandably skeptical about the COVID-19 virus and whether to receive the vaccine. The NC Dept. of Health and Human Services site provides facts and information to assist you in making an informed decision about the vaccine. The more our community understands about the vaccine, the better everyone will be able to determine their best next step. Please visit YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov to learn more.

Please help do your part to stop the spread of Covid-19 virus by wearing a mask when in public, washing your hands, and observing a 6-foot social distance.



MUMC GIRL SCOUTS are happy to help you with your cookie needs. Below is the information

for both troops. If you have any questions or would like to order, please contact Julie Tyson at (336) 687-5231 or julesaxton@aol.com.

Troop 2558 booths are:
 1/29/21 from 5:00-8:00pm at GNC in Lexington at Lexington Parkway Plaza
 2/20/21 from 4:00-8:00pm at Lowes Home Improvement Center in Lexington

Troop 2557 booths are:
 1/23/21 (Drive Thru) from 12:00-4:00pm at First Presbyterian Church in Thomasville
 1/30/21 from 4:00-7:00pm at GNC in Lexington at Lexington Parkway Plaza
 2/6/21 from 4:00-8:00pm at Lowes Home Improvement Center in Lexington

Cookies are \$5.00 per box this year.

Prayer List

If you or a loved one would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Lorna McCullough at 336-259-5814. If you put a name on the list, please keep in touch to let us know how that person is doing, as names are removed after three weeks. During the coming week, please pray for:

- Evelyn Stevenson
- Bill Stine
- Cornelius Greene
- Lizzie Akins
- Priscilla Everhart
- Bill Stine
- Tommy Poole and family
- Zeb Hanner, Sr.
- Andy and Joyce Royals
- Ronnie Dancy
- Dorann Edwards and family
- The family of Florence Highsmith
- Amos Fisher
- Mike Lanning
- Britt Martin Williams
- Peggy Graham
- Cyril Harrington
- Brad Hulin

- Jessie Collett
- Roy Flanagan
- Our country and healing for all
- Jennifer Ruff
- Margie Collins
- Carol Kaiser
- Josef Walker
- Dean Sharpe-Austin
- Finley Price family
- Andrea Cain and family
- Tim Priska
- Chris Eddinger
- Peace and justice in our nation, state, and city
- Our first responders, medical community, and essential workers
- All those affected by COVID-19
- All military personnel
- Our United Methodist missionaries
- The United Methodist Church

We extend our prayers and sympathy to Belinda Johnson and Abby Emerson and their families on the death of their mother, Betty Sue Ransom, on January 15, 2021. The obituary for Betty Sue can be found at www.dignitymemorial.com.

Calendar

SUNDAY JANUARY 24
Third Sunday after the Epiphany
 10 R.L. Pope Class Online: Keith Tobin
 11 Live Worship In-Person & Online
 2-3:30 Youth

MONDAY JANUARY 25
 10 10@10 Devotion

TUESDAY JANUARY 26
 9-10 Men's Prayer Group (Contact: Tim Lyons, tlyons00@gmail.com)
 9-11 Sewing Ministry
 10 10@10 Devotion
 5:30 Yoga

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 27
 The Weekly Update (Facebook Live)
 6 Youth Small Groups Online

THURSDAY JANUARY 28
 10 10@10 Devotion

FRIDAY JANUARY 29
 10 10@10 Devotion

SUNDAY JANUARY 31
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
 10 R.L. Pope Class Online: Stan Styers
 11 Live Worship In-Person & Online
 2-3:30 Youth

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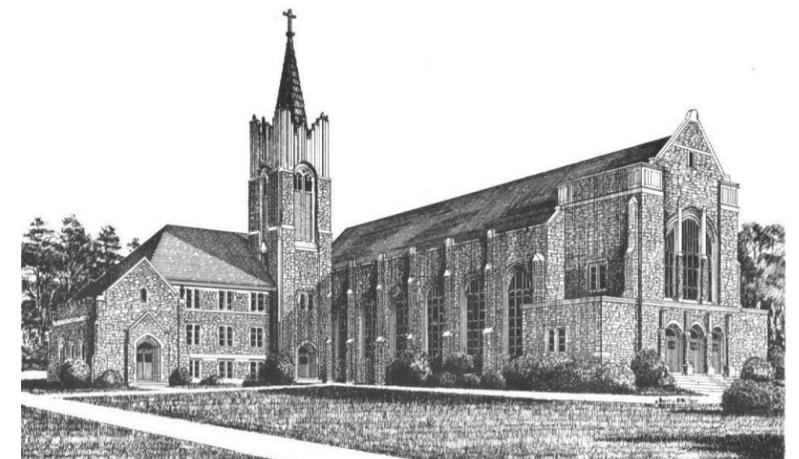
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We are called by Christ to Grow in Faith, Build Relationships, and Serve All People.