

Large print bulletin 10-22-2023

**WELCOME**

Steve Brockman

**PRELUDE**

Frank Watson-bassoon

“For the Beauty of the Earth” arr. Louise Hillery

The prelude is offered on behalf of the congregation.

Quiet meditations and private prayers are encouraged.

**\*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*GREETING** (Psalm 29)

Henry Grimsley

Leader: Let us ascribe to God glory and strength.

**People: Let us worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

Leader: The Lord sits enthroned for ever.

**People: May the Lord bless us with peace!**

**\*“JESUS, THINE ALL VICTORIOUS LOVE”**

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**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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.**

**\*GLORI PATRI**

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**SCRIPTURE** Matthew 3:13-17 page 784

Liturgist: Henry Grimsley

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

Denisha Louth

### **PASTORAL PRAYER/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.**

### **OFFERING**

*Tables are set up at the back of the sanctuary to receive your offering and mission basket donations.*

### **"COME TO THE WATER"**

Choplin  
Frank Watson-flute  
St. James Chancel Choir

### **DOXOLOGY**

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### **SERMON: Down by the Water**

Rev. Andrew Wolfe

Scripture: John 5:1-9 page 866

### **\*"BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD"**

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### **COLLECT**

**O God, who through your only-begotten Son has poured out, under**

**the sign of water, the grace which leads to salvation; You who came upon him in the Spirit under the sign of a dove: Grant to your Church on earth a blessing which will keep it safe, direct the paths of all who follow you, and open the gates of heaven to all who are seeking to enter. Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

### **Mission Basket**

This month's Mission Basket supports Miracle Hill Ministries. This organization provides support to the homeless with a variety of services and locations in the Upstate, including the Spartanburg Rescue Mission.

**Kid's Club:** Today at 4pm in Fellowship Hall

**United Youth:** Today at 5pm at Cherokee Springs UMC

**Outreach and Missions:** Today at 11:45

**Church Council:** Today at 6pm

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Free Sweet Potatoes:** The Community Garden crew has harvested a crop of sweet potatoes and they want to share them with you. Mike Humphries will be outside the church office after church with the potatoes.

**Combined service next week:** We will join together for worship next week in the sanctuary at 10:30am.

**Trunk or Treat:** This is the last week to drop off candy donations for

our Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 29 at 4pm. If you'd like to participate by handing out candy, call the church office or fill out the online form: <https://tinyurl.com/49zps4a4> Invite your family and friends to come for a fun, family friendly event!

**Charge Conference:** Our annual Charge Conference is on Sunday, October 29 at 1:30pm. The charge conference directs the work of the church and gives general oversight to the church council, reviews and evaluates the mission and ministry of the church, sets salaries for the pastor and staff, elects the members of the church council, and recommends candidates for ordained ministry. The meeting is open to all.

**In Our Prayers**

Jean Allison  
Shirley Anderson  
Nancy Becker  
Phyllis Bird

**Mary Brockman,**

**Back surgery  
recovery**

Iris Browning  
Lila Cates Childs  
Michael Crawley  
Elouise Faulkner  
Al Hammerbeck  
Sara Gaulden

**Julie Gencarelli,**

**Surgery recovery**

Rena Hamrick  
Priscilla & Peter Heer  
Lorelei Hightower  
Betty Hughes  
Nancy Hughston  
Shirley Lupton  
Anne Lutz  
Bryson Parler  
Susan Plaxco  
Todd Ramella  
George Ricker  
Irene Ruskin  
Bob Scott  
Joyce Scott

Ira Snead  
Irene Stone  
Darlene Stacy  
Mary Stork  
Linda Taylor  
Linda Thompson  
Ivy & Jude Thomas  
Dotty & Jim Tubb  
Cathy Waterfield  
Buddy Weathers  
Barbara West  
Jenny Woofter

Sympathies to Sandy O'Dell's family on her passing this week.