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"** UMH#422

***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** UMH#71

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 UMH#95

SERMON: Down by the Water Rev. Andrew Wolfe
Scripture: John 5:1-9 page 866

***"BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD"** UMH#420

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
Caty Waterfield
Buddy Weathers
Barbara West
Jenny Woofter

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