



# MAIN STREET

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**November 26, 2023**

*Christ the King Sunday*

**8:45am**

*Jubilee! Worship Service*

**Scripture**

**Matthew 25: 31-46**

**Victoria Smathers**

**Sermon**

**“An Unpopular Message”**

**Mike Gehring**

*We are happy you have joined us for our Jubilee! Worship Service today!  
Please sign the Connection Pad so that we may have a record of your presence.*

**Today's Jubilee Worship Leaders:**

Clay Howard, Jubilee Music Director  
Victoria Smathers, Director of Children's Ministries  
Rev. Philip Kuntz, Associate Pastor  
Dr. Michael Gehring, Senior Pastor

**Our Mission:** *To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*

**Our Vision:** *Fostering vital communities through love and life-changing experiences.*

## **Let's Worship Together!**

**Sundays**

8:30am less-formal Traditional service in the Sanctuary  
8:45am Jubilee Contemporary service in the Chapel  
10:55am Traditional Worship service in the Sanctuary

**Wednesdays** (September-May)

5:30pm Oasis Mid-week Service in the Sanctuary

**Thursdays**

7:00pm NOW: Night of Worship contemporary service in the Chapel (1st & 3rd Thursdays)

# Announcements

**THE WHITE ROSEBUD** on the altar in the Sanctuary is given to the Glory of God and in memory of Millie Silfies.

**THE RED ROSEBUD** on the altar in the Sanctuary is given to the Glory of God and in honor of the birth of Josephine Mischelle Joyce, great-granddaughter of Willie & Missy Craven. Parents are Damon Joyce and Abby Johnson.

**INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH!** Pick up a pre-stamped MSUMC postcard in the Narthex, Chapel, and at the Welcome Desk in the Commons so you can mail it to friend and invite them to church. In addition to our regular worship services, there are several special services during this Advent season—invite someone to the Cantata, or the Service of Hope & Healing, or the Children's program, or to one of our three special Christmas Eve services!

**POINSETTIAS AND MEMORIAL DONATIONS:** As in years past, we will decorate our Sanctuary for Christmas with poinsettias. A poinsettia may be placed in the church in honor or memory of a friend or loved one. These poinsettias can be ordered through the church office for \$10.00 each. Orders are due no later than **TODAY**. You can write a note on an offering envelope and place your payment in the offering plate today or you can place your order using the "sign ups" tab on our church website ([www.mainstreetumc.org](http://www.mainstreetumc.org)). If you would rather make a memorial donation instead of purchasing a poinsettia, there is also an option on the "sign up" to make an Honorarium/Memorial contribution to the Kernersville Christmas Stocking Fund. Poinsettias will be placed in the Sanctuary and Chapel in early December and ***we will list the gifts (both poinsettias and stocking fund memorials) in the December 19 newsletter.***

**THE WEDNESDAY CONNECT DINNER** on **Nov. 29** is Sloppy Joes (*gluten-free entrée is available upon request*). Dinner is served at **5:30pm**. Reservations can be made by: signing a reservation card and placing it in the offering plate; emailing Kathryn ([kathryn.jenkins@mainstreetumc.org](mailto:kathryn.jenkins@mainstreetumc.org)); calling the church office at 336-993-3411; visiting our website or clicking the link in the Thursday Connections email each week. Reservations must be made by **Monday at noon**. The suggested donation is \$6/adult, \$3/child (10 & under). *Great Expectations SS class serving.*

**BE SURE TO PICK UP** a copy of the new *Ministry Opportunities Survey* from the Narthex or Commons and let us know how you would like to share your time and talents with the church. This survey has over seventy opportunities for you to serve and connect with your church family. Complete the survey to sign up for something new or tell us that you want to continue with the ministries where you already serve---we want to hear from everyone! Surveys are due by **November 30**.

**THE MAIN STREET BOOK CLUB** will meet at noon in Room 310 on **November 30**. Everyone is invited to read Wendell Berry's book, *Jayber Crow*, in advance and join us for the discussion.

**THE HERITAGE CLUB** will have Dinner at Cody Creek on **December 1**. Our seating is at 6:00pm. Carpool from church at 4:30 or ride the bus for \$5 each. Reservations are required and you will pay for your dinner at the restaurant. Contact Debbie Smith to make a reservation (*call church office for Debbie's phone number*).

**HANGING OF THE GREENS**—Everyone is invited to join the Altar Guild on Saturday, **December 2** starting at 9:00am as we come together and decorate our church sanctuaries and campus for the holiday season. What a fun and exciting way to meet new people and catch the holiday spirit!

**RETURN YOUR FILLED SHOEBOXES** for Operation Christmas Child by **December 3** at NOON. Filled boxes can be placed under the table in the Narthex.

**JOB OPENINGS:** We would like to hire a Chancel Chorale Accompanist/Pianist and a Technology Ministries Director. The complete job descriptions for these part-time positions can be found under "NEWS" at [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org) or you can contact Tina Crew in the church office for more details (336-993-3411).

**CRISIS CONTROL** Collection boxes are in the new main entrance for donations to Crisis Control's Item of the Month. December's items are canned mixed vegetables; other non-perishable food items can be donated as well. Items may be dropped off at any time during office hours (8:30-4:00 Monday-Thursday and 8:30-noon on Friday).

**ADVENT MUSIC:** On **December 10** at the 8:30 and 10:55 services in the Sanctuary, Main Street's combined choirs will present *Sing We Now of Christmas*, a service of Christmas Carols and tunes from France. In addition to the combined choirs, we will have a chamber orchestra along with organ and piano. That same morning, the Jubilee Band will present Contemporary Christmas songs at 8:45 in the Chapel. Throughout the season of Advent, service music will highlight Christmas carols from around the world.

# Lyrics

## Worthy of my Praise

I will give, you all my worship  
I will give, you all my praise  
You alone, I long to worship  
You alone, are worthy of my praise

I will worship, with all of my heart  
I will praise you, with all of my strength  
I will seek you, all of my days  
I will follow, all of your ways

I will give you, all my worship  
I will give you, all my praise  
You alone, I long to worship  
You alone, are worthy of my praise

## I Will Enter His Gates

I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart,  
I will enter His courts with praise.  
I will say this is the day that the Lord,  
my God has made, I will rejoice and be glad in it.

Sha la la la la la la la Sha la la la la la la  
Sha la la la la la la la la

Refrain: Those who have no money can come and buy and eat,  
and those who have no hope will dream once more.  
And those whose hearts are broken  
will find healing, they will find peace.  
And the empty cups are gonna overflow.

## Thank You

Thank You for Your kindness  
Thank You for Your mercy  
Thank You for the cross  
Thank You for the price You paid

Thank You for salvation  
Thank You for unending grace  
Thank You for Your hope  
Thank You for this life You gave

There is no one like You  
There is no one like You, God  
All my hope is in You  
Jesus, Jesus

## Good Good Father

Oh, I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like  
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night  
And You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone

*Refrain:* You're a good, good Father  
It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are  
And I'm loved by You  
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

Oh and I've seen many searching for answers far and wide  
But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide  
'Cause You know just what we need before we say a word

### *Refrain*

Because You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

You are worthy of my praise

I will bow down, and I'll hail you as king  
I will serve you, I will give you everything  
I will lift up my eyes to your throne  
I will trust you, I will trust you alone

I will give you all my worship  
I will give you all my praise  
You alone I long to worship  
You alone are worthy of my praise (repeat)

Sha la la la la la la la Sha la la la la la la  
Sha la la la la la la la la

Oh, I know you think you've missed the stirrin' of the water,  
I know, I know.  
Oh, but the Spirit of the Lord is passin' by today,  
He's passin' by today!

### *Refrain*

Sha la la la la la la la Sha la la la la la la  
Sha la la la la la la la la

Thank You for Your promise  
Thank You for Your favor  
And thank You for Your love  
And everything You've done for me

There is no one like You  
There is no one like You, God  
All my hope is in You  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus

To Your name  
We give all the glory  
To Your name  
We give all the praise

(Ohh) You are perfect in all of Your ways (all of Your ways)  
Oh, You're perfect in all of Your ways (Your ways)  
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Oh, it's love so undeniable I  
I can hardly speak  
Peace so unexplainable I  
I can hardly think  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still into love, love, love

### *Refrain*