



MAIN STREET

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

December 31, 2023

First Sunday after Christmas Day

8:45am

Jubilee! Worship Service

Scripture

Luke 2: 22-40

Beth Johnson

Sermon

“Simeon, Anna, and Jesus”

Mark Key

*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

Mark Key, Retired UMC Pastor

Rev. Philip Kuntz, Associate 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

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.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed on **January 1**.

WE WILL NOT HAVE our *Oasis Worship Service* or our *Wednesday Connect Dinner* on Jan. 3. Both activities will resume on January 10.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: A brief meeting of the 2024 Church Council will occur after the 10:55 service (approx. 12:10pm) on **January 7** in the Sanctuary. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on SPRC's motion to give Pastor Mike a 6-week renewal leave. All 2024 Church Council members are encouraged to attend.

OUR PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY will NOT meet on January 4 or January 11. Enjoy the holidays and we will resume meeting on January 18.

UMM CHICKEN PIES: it's time to place your order for frozen chicken pies again! More details will be available soon with pricing and pickup information.

THE HERITAGE CLUB will meet for breakfast at the Olympic Restaurant in Kernersville on **January 9** at 9:00am. Pay for your own meal from the menu.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER of Main Street UMC? We will have New Member Sunday on **January 14**. Contact Pastor Phil Kuntz at 336-993-3411 if you would like to discuss church membership.

OUR COMMUNITY MLK SERVICE will be on **January 14** at 5:00pm in our Sanctuary. Join the Kernersville Christian Ministers Fellowship and friends from other churches in our community as we come together to celebrate the Life and Ministry of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Our Guest Speaker will be Corey D. B. Walker, Dean of the Wake Forest University School of Divinity. A reception will follow the service in our Commons area.

SING WITH THE LENTEN CHOIR on March 17, *The Music of Ireland*. Rehearsals start the second week of January.

INVITATION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT, a short-term Disciple Bible Study will be offered on Wednesdays at 6:30pm starting February 28 and ending on May 1. Buck Murchison will facilitate this Bible Study. This class will meet in Room 320, which is the upstairs classroom in the Commons area (elevator access is available). The participant book is \$18.50 and will be available for purchase through the church office. Register for the class at www.mainstreetumc.org and click on the red "signups" tab. Class size will be limited to 12 participants.

THE YOUTH CHILI COOK-OFF will be a night of great food and great fun! Help the youth raise money for their summer mission trips by making a donation when you attend the chili cook-off. There will be prizes awarded for the best chili. Contact Wayne Purdy at 336-993-3411 for more information about entering the contest. Even if you don't cook any chili, we invite you to come out and enjoy sampling the great variety of chilis on **January 21** at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

JOIN THE HERITAGE CLUB for Game Night on **January 30** at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite finger food or dessert to share. If you have a game that you like to play, please bring that too!

JOB OPENINGS: We would like to hire a Church Organist, Chancel Chorale Accompanist/Pianist, and a Technology Ministries Director. The complete job descriptions for these positions can be found under "NEWS" at 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. January's items are canned soup and crackers; 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).

VOLUNTEER SOUND TECHS are still needed to help with all of our worship services. No experience is required and training is available. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

Lyrics

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Refrain: Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul, Worship his holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul, I'll worship your holy name

The sun comes up, It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Refrain

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger
Your name is great and your heart is kind
For all your goodness I will keep on singing
10, 000 reasons for my heart to find

Refrain

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing your praise unending
10, 000 years and then forever more

Refrain

Stir A Passion

Chorus:
Stir a passion in my heart, God, Let it overflow, Let it overflow

Breathe on me, Holy One, Come reveal Your wonder now
Open wide my eyes to see there's so much more

Jesus, You are where it all begins
Your beauty calls me deeper in

Repeat Chorus

Repeat Verse

Repeat Chorus

Let it rise, let it rise, Holy fire burn inside,
Let it rise, let it rise, All for Jesus

Repeat Chorus 2X

Christ Is Risen

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me
For I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see

Chorus: Hallelujah, Christ is risen from the grave
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The prodigal is welcomed home, the sinner now a saint
For the God who died came back to life, and everything is changed

Chorus

Oh death, where is your sting? Oh fear, where is your power?
For the mighty King of kings has disarmed you
Delivered and redeemed, Eternal life resounds
Oh praise His name forever

Chorus

And all throughout eternity, Our song will be the same
Hallelujah, Christ is risen from the grave

And on the day You call me in to Heaven's sweet embrace
I'll see Your scars, Your open arms and the beauty of Your face
Through tears of joy, I'll lift my voice In everlasting praise
Hallelujah, Christ is risen from the grave

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For the mighty King of kings has disarmed you
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Chorus

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Let My Words Be Few

You are God in heaven
And here am I on earth
So I'll let my words be few
Jesus, I am so in love with You

Chorus:
And I'll stand in awe of You, Jesus
Yes, I'll stand in awe of You
And I'll let my words be few
Jesus, I am so in love with You

The simplest of all love songs
I want to bring to You
So I'll let my words be few
Jesus, I am so in love with You

Chorus