



# MAIN STREET

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 7, 2024

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

8:30am

Worship Service

Welcome		Victoria Smathers
Prelude	<i>Introduction, Chorale and Andante from "Partita on Hyfrydol"</i> Jeanell Brown, interim organist	HYFRYDOL/arr. Callahan
* Call to Worship		Victoria Smathers
	The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. <b>And also with you.</b> The risen Christ is with us. <b>Praise the Lord!</b>	
* Hymn No. 698	<i>God of the Ages</i>	NATIONAL HYMN
Scripture	1 Kings 3: 22-28 Pew Bible, OT page 306	Victoria Smathers
Anthem of the People UMH No. 696	<i>America the Beautiful</i> Jeanell Brown, pianist; Nancy Blakemore, director You are invited to come up and sing with the choir on the Anthem of the People!	MATERNA
Sermon	"Wisdom"	Phil Kuntz
* Hymn No. 140	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	FAITHFULNESS
* Affirmation of Faith No. 881	The Apostles' Creed	Victoria Smathers
	<b>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.</b>	<i>*universal</i>
* Sharing the Peace		Victoria Smathers
Church Family News		Victoria Smathers
Joys & Concerns and Pastoral Prayer		Victoria Smathers
Offering Invitation		Victoria Smathers
Offertory	<i>Adagio on Materna</i>	MATERNA/ Setting by James Konkel
*Doxology No. 95	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD 100TH
	<b>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below: Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.</b>	

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Victoria Smathers

\* Hymn No. 103

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

ST. DENIO

\* Benediction

Victoria Smathers

\* Benediction Response

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds, vs. 1*

DENNIS

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

Postlude

*Postlude on 'God of Our Fathers'* NATIONAL HYMN/Setting by Phil Lehenbauer

\* please stand as you are able

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## ***Welcome to worship at Main Street United Methodist Church!***

*When Christians worship, we step into an alternative world. Liturgy and ritual, hymns and prayers invite us into another landscape. Jesus' words and the experience of his presence peel back the rhetoric that pummels our eardrums so that we are able to hear him say to us, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." (John 14:27, NRSV)*

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### **Thank you for worshipping with us today at Main Street UMC!**

If you are a visitor, please sign the attendance pad in the pew so that we can contact you at a later date in order to discuss the ministries of Main Street UMC.

**Restrooms** are located in the back left corner of the Narthex.

**Should you need to step out during worship**, you can go to the Parlor and still view and hear the worship service. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

**Main Street UMC's Sanctuary** is an area where photography, video and audio recording may occur. Camera angles may capture your image as you worship. Our weekly services are routinely shared with others via livestream and DVD. If you would like a DVD of today's 10:55 service, please contact Kathryn at 993-3411 in the church office.

**Confidential prayer requests** can be made by calling the church office at 336-993-3411 or by clicking the "contact" tab on [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org).

**Children's Ministry:** We are so happy to share God's love with our children! Main Street is a Safe Sanctuary Congregation.

- *Nursery* (8:30-noon) is available for infants-3 year olds in the Education Building. The nursery is staffed with experienced caregivers and lay volunteers.
  - *Kids Connect* is our Sunday School (9:45-10:45am) program for children ages 3 years old to 5th grade in the Education building. Kids Connect offers a large group Bible lesson, worship, and small group activities.
  - *Kids Connect-Worship* is offered during the 10:55am service for wiggly kids ages 3 years to 1st grade who can't quite remain in worship the entire time. Kids of all ages are invited to the front for *Moments with Children* before the younger children are dismissed to the Education Building for *Kids Connect-Worship* activities.
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## **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**

6:30pm NOW: Night of Worship contemporary service in the Chapel (1st & 3rd Thursdays)

### **Main Street UMC Staff**

Lanny Lancaster, Senior Pastor  
Phil Kuntz, Associate Pastor  
Al Ward, Minister of Visitation  
Wayne Purdy, Pastor of Youth Ministries  
Victoria Smathers, Director of Children's Ministries  
Nancy Blakemore, Director of Music Ministries  
Clay Howard, Jubilee Music Director  
Jenny Lail, Alpha & Omega Youth Choir Director

Tina Crew, Business Manager  
Betsy Tang, Administrative Assistant  
Kathryn Jenkins, Administrative Assistant  
Anthony Simmonds, Custodian  
Willie Craven, Custodian  
Theo Dunlap, Custodian  
Kellie Vinay, Preschool Director  
Cynthia Barron, Kitchen Hostess

### **Main Street United Methodist Church**

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# Announcements

**TODAY**—Members of the congregation are invited to come and sing the anthem with the choir.

**THE RED ROSEBUDS** on the altar in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the birth of Eddie & Kathy Conrad's twin grandsons, Jacob Todd and Joseph Daniel. Parents are Shawn Jargowsky and Brian Winfrey.

**JOIN US FOR ONE COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE** at 10:30 am on **July 14** to celebrate the first Sunday with our new Senior Pastor, Rev. Lanny Lancaster. We will have a reception in the Commons after the service so that everyone can greet Pastor Lanny and his wife, Janet.

**FOOD DRIVE:** New Horizons Sunday School class has organized a food drive competition called "Be Doers of the Word" to run from **July 14 to July 28**. Victoria Smathers, Wayne Purdy and our newest minister Rev. Lanny Lancaster have all enthusiastically agreed to compete against one another to collect food for Crisis Control Ministries. A bin with each willing contestant's face will be in the tower entrance. Place your food items in the bins and the bin with the most items will be the "Winner." The winner will receive a "whipped cream" pie in the face at our annual churchwide picnic on August 4 at Triad Park. *Be doers of the word, and not hearers only. Otherwise, you are deceiving yourselves. James 1:22*

**CLEAR GLASS BUD VASES NEEDED:** If you have any of the single-stem sized clear glass bud vases, we would welcome your donations since we use them on the altar when we have a red or white rosebud.

**JOIN US FOR** our Night of Worship (NOW) service at 6:30pm on **July 18** in the Chapel. Childcare is provided.

**THE HERITAGE CLUB** will gather on **July 19** for Burgers & BINGO Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 for hamburgers & hotdogs. Cost will be \$5.00 to cover the food. Please bring a dessert to share. Reservations are required by July 14.

**UPCOMING SUMMER ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS:** Register at [www.mainstreetumc.org](http://www.mainstreetumc.org) and click "signups" on the red stripe

- Vacation Bible School—This year's theme is "SCUBA—Diving into Friendship with God". VBS will be **July 22-25** from 6pm to 8:15pm for ages 3 years to 5th grade and there is no cost.
- Kids in Action Summer Service Camp—This year KIA will be **July 29 to July 31** from 9 am - 3 pm. Our kids have a service project in the morning and a fun activity in the afternoon! There are only 20 spots available so sign up soon! Registration is open to rising 2nd graders - rising 6th graders and the cost is \$80 per child.

**GOLF BALL FUNDRAISER:** For nearly two decades the Groce/Kirkman Sunday School Class has provided over \$20,000 of scholarships to Main Street Youth. Unfortunately, as age has taken its toll on our class, this is likely the last year the scholarships will be available. In order to build the fund to a reasonable level, Darrell Davis will have golf balls for purchase on Sunday between services. Curt Brown has provided the balls and Darrell has cleaned each one by hand (over twenty gallons). We are asking for a minimum donation of \$6.00 per dozen, however additional donations will be greatly appreciated. All proceeds will go to the scholarship fund. There is an excellent variety and most in very good condition. Even if you aren't a golfer, this would be a great gift to a friend and it will help fund our final year of these worthwhile scholarships. Checks can be made to the Groce/Kirkman Scholarship Fund.

**JOB OPENING:** We would like to hire a Church Organist/Pianist. The complete job description for this position can be found under "NEWS" at [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org) or you can contact Tina Crew in the church office for more details.

**WEARING NAMETAGS** is an act of hospitality—let's focus on wearing our nametags to worship services throughout this summer as a way for our new pastor and other new MSUMC members to feel "at home". Contact the church office if you need a new nametag!

**CRISIS CONTROL** Collection boxes are in the new main entrance for donations to Crisis Control's Item of the Month. July's item is canned pasta (ravioli, etc); 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).