

  
**MAIN STREET**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**September 29, 2024**

*Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

**8:30am**

**Worship Service**

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**WELCOME**

Victoria Smathers

**PRELUDE**

*Coronation*  
Jill Gardner, organist

Charles Callahan

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Victoria Smathers

If God had not been for us, **calamity would have swallowed us whole.**

If Christ had not been on our side, **we would have fallen like birds shot from the sky.**

If the Spirit had abandoned us in our need, **we would have dried up like blooms in the desert.**

Come to the Lord in prayer. **Come find healing and peace.** Come, let us worship.

**\* HYMN** No. 154

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*  
vv. 1 and 2—All; vs 3—Women; vs 4—Choir; vs 5—Men; vs. 6—All

CORONATION

**PSALTER READING**

Psalm 124  
Pew Bible, OT page 572

Priscilla Lang

**ANTHEM**

*Christ Beside Me*  
Chorale; Jill Gardner, pianist; Nancy Blakemore, director

Tom Fettke

**SCRIPTURE**

2 Corinthians 13: 5-6  
Pew Bible, NT page 186

Lanny Lancaster

**SERMON**

“Life in Christ: Christ in Us”

Lanny Lancaster

**\* HYMN** No. 413

*A Charge to Keep I Have*

BOYLSTON

**\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** No. 881 The Apostles' Creed

Victoria Smathers

**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.**

*\*universal*

**\* SHARING THE PEACE**

Victoria Smathers

**The Christ in me sees the Christ in you.**

**CHURCH FAMILY NEWS**

Victoria Smathers

**JOYS & CONCERNS**

Victoria Smathers

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Victoria Smathers

**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 INVITATION**

Victoria Smathers

**OFFERTORY**

*Offertory on ADELAIDE*

Robert J. Powell

**\*DOXOLOGY** No. 95 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD 100TH

**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.**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Victoria Smathers

**\* HYMN** No. 382

*Have Thine Own Way, Lord*

ADELAIDE

**\* BENEDICTION**

Victoria Smathers

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*Shine, Jesus, Shine (refrain)*

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory, blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy, Send forth your word Lord, and let  
there be light**

**POSTLUDE**

*Classical Postlude*

Robert J. Hughes

\* 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, Dir. of Children's Ministries  
Nancy Blakemore, Director of Music Ministries  
Clay Howard, Jubilee Music Director  
Jenny Lail, Alpha & Omega Youth Choir Director  
Jill Gardner, Organist/Pianist

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

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

**THE WEDNESDAY CONNECT DINNER** on **October 2** is Lasagna (*gluten-free entrée is available upon request*). Dinner is served at **5:30pm**. Dining together is a great fellowship opportunity, but if you need to get your meal “to-go”, then we can do that, too! We have disposable takeout containers but we encourage you to bring your own re-usable containers for “to-go” meals. Reservations can be made by: signing a reservation card and placing it in the offering plate; calling the church office at 336-993-3411; emailing Kathryn (kathryn.jenkins@mainstreetumc.org); visiting our website or clicking the link in the Thursday Connections email each week. Reservations for dining in-person or “to-go” must be made by **Monday at noon**. The suggested donation is \$6/adult, \$3/child (*10 & under*). *Christian Fellowship & Rise Sunday School classes serving.*

**OASIS WORSHIP SERVICE:** Come to the Sanctuary at 5:30pm on Wednesdays for an intimate 30-minute service with Holy Communion and prayer led by one of our pastors, with music by Chuck Foster, and a short devotion by a member of our congregation. Our Oasis service is meant to be a time of refreshment & encouragement in the middle of a busy week.

**MSUMC ORNAMENTS** made of pewter with a lovely image of our church in the snow are available from Circle #5 members in the Commons for a suggested donation of \$25.

**PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND:** Take a look around the church's campus and you will see recycled water cooler jugs with Main Street UMC Preschool's logo tucked in corners, beside doors, or in the hallways. What are they for, you ask? Main Street UMC Preschool offers tuition assistance for families in need or facing an unexpected hardship. Our Scholarship Fund pays a portion of a child's tuition for a period of time, and we need your help to replenish our fund! Please donate your loose CHANGE to the jugs. We appreciate you supporting our children, and our preschool ministry! Cash, checks, and larger donations can be made any-time to the church office.

**COME TAKE A HIKE** with us on Tuesday, **October 1**. Meet at 9 in the parking lot. We will go to Oak Ridge Town Park and walk about 3 miles, then visit Old Guilford Mill. All are welcome. We even have a few well-behaved dogs along.

**JOIN US FOR** our Night of Worship (NOW) service at 6:30pm on **October 3** in the Chapel. Childcare is provided.

**PUMPKIN PATCH:** Hip Hip Hooray! Our PUMPKINS will be delivered on **October 5!** Join us at 9:00am in the parking lot to unload the pumpkins for the patch! Head over to [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org) and click “signups” on the red stripe to sign up for a shift in the patch and bring your friends and family too! This year, our Preschool Director, Kellie Vinay, and Children's Ministry Director, Victoria Smathers, will be your go-to contacts for all things PUMPKINS! Shifts are available this year Monday to Saturday, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, 12:00 pm to 2:30 pm, 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm, and 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Sunday, 12:00 pm to 2:30 pm, 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm, and 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year for our Preschool and Children's Ministry. We can't wait to see you in the Patch!

**FROZEN CASSEROLE PICK-UP** from the United Women of Faith will be on **October 20** in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00am until 12:30pm. Please bring payment for your pre-ordered casseroles (cash or check).

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** Save the date! Sunday, **October 20** from 4-6 pm Main Street's Children's Ministry will host “Trunk or Treat” and EVERYONE is invited! If you'd like to decorate a trunk, please email Victoria Smathers! If you'd like to support this event by donating nut-free candy and other small prizes, we would greatly appreciate your help!

**HERITAGE CLUB OUTING** on **October 22** for Lunch at Daniel Boone Inn and visiting the Cornerstone Christian Library in Blowing Rock Bus will leave at 9:45am. Cost to ride the bus will be \$5.00. Lunch seating is at 11:30 and will cost \$28.63 (includes tax & tip) cash or check only, no debit or credit cards. You will pay for your meal at the restaurant. If you are driving, please arrive before 11:30am. Reservations are required, contact Debbie Smith.