

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 24, 2024

8:30am

Christ the King Sunday

Worship Service

WELCOME Victoria Smathers

PRELUDE Trumpet Tune in C Major

Michael Helman

Richard Blakemore, trumpet; Jill Gardner, organist

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Victoria Smathers

Christ comes to be our King.

We are here to be Christ's people.

Clothes in righteousness, Christ comes to save us.

Let the faithful shout for joy.

Christ disperses our gloom with holy light.

Let all God's people proclaim the Prince of Peace.

* **HYMN** No. 694 Come, Ye Thankful People Come St. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

PSALTER READING Psalm 132: 1-12 Tracy Whitaker

Pew Bible, OT page 574

ANTHEMMajesty

Jack W. Hayford/arr. Jack Schrader

Chorale; Jill Gardner, pianist; Nancy Blakemore, director

SCRIPTURE John 11: 1-44 Lanny Lancaster

Pew Bible, NT page 104

SERMON "Life in Christ: Death and Resurrection" Lanny Lancaster

* **HYMN** No. 327 Crown Him with Many Crowns DIADEMATA

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 881 The Apostles' Creed

Wayne Purdy

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.

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* SHARING THE PEACE

Wayne Purdy

Christ in me sees Christ in you.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS Wayne Purdy

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Wayne Purdy

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

Wayne Purdy

OFFERTORY

Simple Gifts

Charles Callahan

*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

Wayne Purdy

* **HYMN** No. 364

Because He Lives

RESURRECTION

* RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

Wayne Purdy

We rejoice to recognize you as a member of Christ's holy church, and bid you welcome to this congregation of The United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness. With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that, surrounded by steadfast love, you may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

* BENEDICTION Wayne Purdy

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

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

Trumpet Voluntary Richard Blakemore, trumpet; Jill Gardner, organist

John Stanley

* please stand as you are able

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)

Thank you for worshiping 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.

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.

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 Cynthia Barron, Kitchen Hostess 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

Main Street United Methodist Church

Announcements

THE WHITE ROSEBUD on the altar in the Sanctuary is given to the Glory of God and in memory of Martha Yontz, mother of Robin Yontz.

FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON: In the aftermath of Hurricane Helene, our hearts have been called in service to our Brothers and Sisters in Christ in Western NC. Join us **TODAY**— the UMM will be hosting a churchwide Hurricane Relief BBQ luncheon that will be served at 11:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will consist of BBQ Pork, BBQ Chicken, Brunswick Stew, vegetables and desserts. We will be accepting a Love Offering and Cash Donations that will be sent to UMCOR to help supply long term assistance to those affected by the hurricane.

POINSETTIAS AND MEMORIAL GIFTS: 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 or you can place your order using the "sign ups" tab at 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 17 newsletter.

CHURCH COUNCIL AND CHARGE CONFERENCE meeting <u>TONIGHT</u> at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. As is always the case, Charge Conference sessions are open meetings in The United Methodist Church. If you are not a member of our Church Council/Charge Conference, but wish to observe this Charge Conference session, please attend. However, only Church Council/Charge Conference members will be able to vote.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: We will NOT have our Oasis service or Wednesday Connect Dinner on November 27, and the Church Office will be closed on November 28 and 29. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

2025 MINISTRIES OPPORTUNITIES SURVEY: 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 sixty opportunities for you to serve and connect with your church family. Survey is also available at mainstreetumc.org under "signups." Surveys are due by **November 30.**

TAKE A HIKE: We will walk/hike on Tuesday, <u>December 3</u>. This will be our last hike of 2024. We will resume hiking in March as the weather warms. Meet in the church parking lot at 9 AM.

HERITAGE CLUB upcoming activities, contact Debbie Smith for reservations:

- <u>December 6</u> Dinner at Cody Creek, Seating is at 6:00. Bus will leave the church at 4:30. Cost to ride the bus will be \$5.00. Reservations are required.
- <u>December 17</u> High Point University Christmas Lights and Dinner. Van will leave the church at 4:30, we will drive through the HPU campus and enjoy their holiday lights before having a buffet dinner at Spiro's Family Restaurant. Pay for your own meal. Reservations required by December 10.

HANGING OF THE GREENS—Everyone is invited to join the Altar Guild on Saturday, **December 7** starting at 9:00am as we come together to decorate our church Sanctuary and Narthex for the holiday season.

CANTATA SUNDAY, <u>December 8 at 10:30 am</u> in the Sanctuary, the Music Ministry presents Joel Raney's "A Thrill of Hope"...a weary world rejoices! Presented by the Main Street Christmas Choir; Jill Gardner, organ; Jenny Lail, piano; the Main Street Handbell Choir; and Chamber Orchestra will shine in one combined, glorious service. In a world weary of many things, we find our greatest hope in Jesus Christ! Invite your family and friends to come celebrate the birth of Jesus in song at our ONE SERVICE on December 8 at 10:30 am.

JOB OPENING: MSUMC is looking for a part-time custodian to work alongside our current custodial staff on Thursdays and Fridays from 7AM – 4PM. If you are interested, please contact Tina Crew in the Church Office.

YARD SIGNS to support our neighbors in Western North Carolina are available from members of the New Horizons SS class and from the Church Office during the week for a suggested donation of \$20 (cash or checks written to New Horizons class). Money raised will go to UMCOR.