



MAIN STREET  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 28, 2025  
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30am  
Traditional Worship Service

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**WELCOME**

Sarah McIntosh

**PRELUDE**

*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*  
Connor McKeithan and Jill Gardner, pianists

Arr. by James Bastien

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Sarah McIntosh

God calls us to set out in faith.

**The love of God leads us home.**

Christ blesses us that we might bless others.

**The blessings of Christ heal our world.**

The Holy Spirit strengthens us for the journey.

**The power of the Spirit sustains and supports us.**

The One who made heaven and earth meets us here.

**\* HYMN** No. 185

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

LAUDES DOMINI

**\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** No. 884

Sarah McIntosh

A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church

**We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love. We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world. We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength. We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need. We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice. We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service. We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters. We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.**

**ANTHEM**

*Come, Sing the Joy of the Lord*

Sandra Ford

Adult Chancel Chorale: Andy Anderson, Carol Manz, Celia Leal, Cheryl McKinney, Chuck Dagenhart, Chuck Foster, Dan Whitney, Dave Black, Debbie Prior, Eric Manten, Janet Lancaster, Leon Martin, Theresa Johnson-Crews, Willie Craven; Jill Branoff, accompanist; Linda Wakefield, handbell soloist; Jill Gardner, Director of Music Ministries

**SCRIPTURE**

Genesis 12: 2-3  
Pew Bible, OT page 10

Lanny Lancaster

**SERMON**

“The Called People”

Lanny Lancaster

\* **HYMN** No. 601

*Thy Word Is a Lamp*

THY WORD

**PSALTER READING** UMH page 810 (with sung refrain) Psalm 91: 1-16

Ken Crews

\* **SHARING THE PEACE**

Sarah McIntosh

**CHURCH FAMILY NEWS**

Sarah McIntosh

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** No. 895

Sarah McIntosh

**OFFERING INVITATION**

Sarah McIntosh

**OFFERTORY**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Arr. By James Bastien

\* **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**

Sarah McIntosh

\* **HYMN** No. 664

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

THE ASH GROVE

**BENEDICTION**

Sarah McIntosh

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE** No. 600 *Wonderful Words of Life, vs.1*

WORDS OF LIFE

**Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life; let me more of their beauty see,  
wonderful words of life; words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty. Beautiful words,  
wonderful words, wonderful words of life. Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful  
words of life.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Jesus Loves Me*

Arr. By James Bastien

The congregation is invited to remain seated during the Postlude.

\* 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.

**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 336-994-3411 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> grade who can't quite remain in worship the entire time. Kids of all ages are invited to the front for Kids' Time 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)

5:00pm Oasis Mid-week Service in the Sanctuary

### Main Street UMC Staff

Lanny Lancaster, Senior Pastor  
Sarah McIntosh, Associate Pastor  
Al Ward, Minister of Visitation  
Wayne Purdy, Pastor of Youth Ministries  
Victoria Smathers, Dir. of Children's Ministries  
Jill Gardner, 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  
Kellie Vinay, Preschool Director  
Anthony Simmonds, Custodian  
Willie Craven, Custodian  
Cynthia Barron, Kitchen Hostess

### Main Street United Methodist Church

306 S. Main Street, Kernersville, NC 27284 336-993-3411 [www.mainstreetumc.org](http://www.mainstreetumc.org)

## ROSEBUD

The red rosebud on the altar in the Sanctuary is given to the Glory of God and in honor of the birth of Avery Lynn Dixon, new granddaughter of Wayne & Carol Purdy. Parents are Bob & Megan Dixon.

## OASIS WORSHIP SERVICE

Come to the Sanctuary at 5:00pm 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 in the middle of a busy week.

## WEDNESDAY CONNECT DINNER

The entrée on **October 1** is Pasta Primavera (*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; 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 for dining in-person or "to-go" must be made by **Monday at noon**. The suggested donation is \$6/adult, \$3/child (10 & under). We accept cash, check, or cards. Rise/Genesis/Christian Fellowship SS classes serving.

## SUNDAY MORNING COUNTER NEEDED

If you are available to help count the morning offering after the late service on the 2nd Sunday or 3rd Sunday of each month, please contact Tina Crew in the Church office. Training is provided and the counter will work with a partner.

## MAGNETIC BACKS FOR NAMETAGS

The Church Office has some self-adhesive magnets that can be placed on the back of your existing nametag if you do not like the clip. Please stop by to see Kathryn in the Church Office if you would like a magnetic back for your nametag.

## PUMPKINS

It's hard to believe, but pumpkins are almost here! We need YOUR help to unload the truck on **October 4** at 8:30am. We also need help with volunteer shifts in the pumpkin patch throughout October. Contact Kellie Vinay at the preschool or Victoria Smathers at the church office for more information (336-993-3411). Sign up for shifts at [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org) and click "signups" on the red stripe.

## SPIRIT NIGHT AT THE LOOP

Help support the MSUMC Preschool by dining out at *The Loop* in Kernersville on **October 7** between 4pm and 9pm. Be sure to tell them that you are with Main Street Preschool and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the preschool!

## 2026 MINISTRY 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. An electronic version is also available at [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org) under "signups" on the red stripe. Surveys are due by **October 15**.

## TRUNK OR TREAT & HOT DOG DINNER

Our Children's Ministry along with Great Expectations Sunday School class is hosting their 2nd *Annual Trunk or Treat & Hot Dog Fundraiser* on **October 19**. Our Hot Dog fundraiser dinner will be served from 3:00 to 7:00pm and the Trunk or Treat fun will take place from 4:00 to 6:00pm. Please sign up to attend at [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org) and click "signups" on the red stripe. We also need folks to host a trunk, so please sign up for that as well. More details can be found in the September 16 newsletter or contact Victoria Smathers at 336-993-3411 in the Church Office.

## HERITAGE CLUB

Everyone is invited to the next event hosted by MSUMC's Heritage Club on **October 23** for Lunch at Daniel Boone Inn and shopping in Blowing Rock – The van will leave at 9:45am. Cost to ride the van will be \$5.00. Lunch seating is at 11:30 and will cost \$29.88 (includes tax & tip) cash or check only, no debit or credit cards. Reservations are required--deadline to signup is October 20, contact Debbie Smith (336-671-1215).

## FROZEN CASSEROLE PRE-SALE

United Women in Faith are taking orders in the Commons every Sunday morning in October for frozen casseroles. Plan to pickup your casseroles on **November 2** in the Fellowship Hall; all casseroles must be pre-ordered. Varieties include Sweet Potato, Mrs. Mary's Chicken, Poppyseed Chicken, and Swiss Chicken casseroles.

## PUBLICATION DEADLINES

*Main Street Connections Email* requests are due to the church office by 4:00pm on Tuesdays; Bulletin Announcements are due to the church office by noon on Tuesdays; and Newsletter Articles are due by noon on the FIRST Friday of every month.

## COLLECTION BOXES

A collection box for RECYCLE BEYOND THE BAG plastic film recycling is located at the Member Pickup Station in the Commons, Fellowship Hall, and Preschool. We also have collection boxes in the Main Entrance to the Commons for: GOT SNEAKERS—donate used sneakers to be repurposed; HOPE CENTER—donate empty egg cartons, clothing, groceries; BOOKSAPALOOZA—donate new or used books; and CRISIS CONTROL—donate non-perishable food, each month has an item to focus on, October's item is canned meats (tuna, corned beef, spam, etc).