



MAIN STREET
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 12, 2026
Second Sunday of Easter

10:55am
Traditional Worship Service

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Wayne Purdy

VOICE OF DIAKONIA (*Voice of Servanthood*)

Dave Black

WE APPROACH GOD

PRELUDE

Prelude on Hymn Tune TRURO
Jill Gardner, organ

Mary McDonald

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*** THE EASTER PROCLAMATION**

Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed!**

Victoria Smathers

*** OPENING HYMN** No. 318

Christ Is Alive

TRURO

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

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.

Victoria Smathers

**universal*

*** SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Victoria Smathers

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER No. 895

Wayne Purdy

WE HEAR FROM GOD

KIDS' TIME

Jesus Loves the Little Children

Victoria Smathers

**Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world; every color, shape, and size,
They are precious in his eyes. Jesus loves the little children of the world.**

Children ages 3 years to 1st grade are dismissed to Kids Connect-Worship.

Parents may pick up their children in the Children's Education Building after the worship service.

PSALTER READING UMH page 748 (with sung refrain) Psalm 16: 5-11

name

SOLO

I'll Walk With God

Jill Gardner, soprano; David Culler, piano

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 22: 1-7

Pew Bible, NT page 260

Sarah McIntosh

SERMON

"The Healing of the Nations"

Sarah McIntosh

WE RESPOND TO GOD

* **HYMN** No. 706

Soon and Very Soon

VERY SOON

OFFERING INVITATION

Wayne Purdy

OFFERTORY

Aria

Leon Nelson

* **DOXOLOGY** No. 94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Wayne Purdy

* **HYMN** No. 308

Thine Be The Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

* **BENEDICTION**

Sarah McIntosh

* **CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

POSTLUDE

Crown Him With Many Crowns arr. D. Kartsonakis & N. DiGesare

David Culler, pianist

The Postlude is the final Alleluia of our worship; you are invited to remain seated for a time of joyful prayer.

* 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 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.

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 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

Cynthia Barron, Kitchen Hostess

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ROSEBUD

The white rosebud on the altar in the Sanctuary is given to the Glory of God and in memory of Joe Greeson, Barry Greeson's father.

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 and encouragement in the middle of a busy week. *Oasis will continue* through the end of May, even though the Wednesday Dinners are finished for the semester.

WEDNESDAY DINNERS FINISHED FOR THE SEMESTER

Our Wednesday Night Connect Dinners have ended for this semester. We will resume in September after Labor Day.

HERITAGE CLUB

On **April 17**, join the Heritage Club for dinner at the C&H Cafeteria in Kernersville at 5:00 before attending the Spring Concert of the Heart of the Triad Choral Society at 7pm in the MSUMC Sanctuary. Contact Debbie Smith at 336-671-1215 with any questions.

CHURCH KEYS

If you have borrowed a key to the church and are no longer using it, please return the key to Tina Crew in the church office.

SHREDDING

Circle #2 is sponsoring a Shred Event on Saturday, **April 25** from 9am until noon in the church parking lot. Suggested donation is \$5 per box.

SPRING FOLLY PARKING FUNDRAISER

MSUMC will offer FREE parking for our community members who attend the 2026 Spring Folly on May 1 and 2. We are looking for volunteers to direct cars to available parking spots and accept donations for the benefit of Crisis Control Ministry. Crisis Control will provide volunteers for the Friday shifts and MSUMC will cover the Saturday 10-12 and 12-2 shifts. This is a fun opportunity for friends, family, and small groups to volunteer for a 2-hour shift on Saturday. While there is no charge for parking, donations benefiting Crisis Control Ministry in Kernersville will be accepted. For more information, contact Dave Black (336-817-4081) or Curt Brown (228-234-3317). To sign up for a shift in the parking lot on **May 2**, please go to mainstreetumc.org and click "signups" on the red stripe.

ASK ME ABOUT MY CHURCH TENT

This year at Spring Folly, Main Street will have an "Ask Me About My Church" tent in our parking lot. The goal is to give everyone who parks at our church parking lot an opportunity to learn more about the ministries of Main Street so they feel welcome and ready to come back and worship with us. Please prayerfully consider signing up for a 2-hour shift on May 2 where you can sit under our MSUMC tent and share your love of Christ with our community by being a warm and welcoming presence in our parking lot. To sign up for a shift under the tent on **May 2**, please go to mainstreetumc.org and click "signups" on the red stripe.

PRAYER BREAKFAST

You are invited to attend the *National Day of Prayer Breakfast* on **May 7** at the Kernersville YMCA at 7:00am with community members and the Kernersville Christian Ministers Fellowship. There will be prayer, fellowship, worship, and free breakfast for all who attend.

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, April's items are applesauce and canned fruit.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us know how we can pray for you! You can submit your prayer request by calling the church office at 336-993-3411 or by contacting one of the pastors. There is also a "button" on your weekly Connections email that is sent every Thursday, so that makes it easy!

CHRIST IS ALIVE

1. Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die.
2. Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, he comes to claim the here and now and dwell in every place and time.
3. Not throned afar, remotely high, untouched, unmoved by human pains, but daily, in the midst of life, our Savior in the Godhead reigns.
4. In every insult, rift, and war, where color, scorn, or wealth divide, he suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, though ever crucified.
5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and all creation ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

SOON AND VERY SOON

1. Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King; (Hallelujah!) soon and very soon, we are going to see the King; (Hallelujah!) soon and very soon, we are going to see the King. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King.
2. No more dying there, we are going to see the King; (Hallelujah!) no more dying there, we are going to see the King; (Hallelujah!) no more dying there, we are going to see the King. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King.
3. No more crying there, we are going to see the King; (Hallelujah!) no more crying there, we are going to see the King; (Hallelujah!) no more crying there, we are going to see the King. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King.

THINE BE THE GLORY

1. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded graveclothes where thy body lay. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
2. Lo! Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for our Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life! Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.