

We thank the following for their service during our worship service:

Lay Reader: Julian Mims

NURSERY WORKERS NEEDED

Would you like to spend a few hours with our littlest friends? We need loving individuals to serve in our nursery on Sunday mornings, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. These are paid positions. To learn more or apply, please contact Melissa Miller (melissa@frontstreetumc.org).

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM HIRING

High school and college students needed! Our Afterschool Program is hiring for the upcoming school year. Please reach out to Katie Porter by email at afterschool@frontstreetumc.org.

AUGUST FOOD DRIVE

Front Street's Backpack Ministry supplies food for children at Eastlawn Elementary who would otherwise go hungry over the weekend. In the month of August we are asking for the following specific food items which will be used to support our Backpack Ministry.

- canned beans (black, kidney, chickpeas)
- cans of corn or mixed vegetables
- canned meat
- cans of fruit

Please deposit your donations in the Welcome Center. This collection will continue **through August 31**. If you have any questions or would like to help with food distribution, please contact Ms. Melissa at melissa@frontstreetumc.org.

CEREAL SUNDAY

Cereal Sunday at FSUMC is **August 7**! Please deposit cereal or other canned/dry goods in the tubs in the cabinet located in the Welcome Center. Please feel free to drop off these items any time during the month. Thank you for your continued support of stocking the food pantry at the Salvation Army.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The following dates are available to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one: **August 7 and 28 and September 4, 11, 18, and 25**. For more information, please contact Linda Paul at 336-543-5081 (cell) or kpaul5@triad.rr.com (email).

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Date	Aldersgate	11:00	Total
7/3	34	94	128
7/10	42	141	183
7/17	52	119	171
7/24	38	125	163

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 31, 2022

Sunday, July 31

8:45 Aldersgate Contemporary Worship	Aldersgate Hall
9:45 Sunday School	Classrooms
9:45 Aldersgate Praise Band Rehearsal	Chapel
11:00 Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary

Monday, August 1

7:00 Stewardship Team Meeting	John Wesley Room
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Thursday, August 4

9:30 Prayer Ministry	Room 402/Zoom
12:00 Anti-Racism Book Study	Room 401
7:00 Missions Team Meeting	John Wesley Room

Sunday, August 7

8:45 Aldersgate Contemporary Worship	Aldersgate Hall
9:45 Sunday School	Classrooms
9:45 Aldersgate Praise Band Rehearsal	Chapel
11:00 Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary

GOING BEYOND LIVE WITH PRISCILLA SHIRER: AN EVENT FOR WOMEN SEEKING JESUS

Front Street UMW/United Women of Faith invite all women of the church to Going Beyond Live with Priscilla Shirer on **Saturday, August 27, 2022**, 9:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. The event is hosted by Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Greensboro.

Learn more about this event at www.frontstreetumc.org/features.

We have purchased a block of 50 tickets which are available for \$70 each. (This event is sold out online.) To reserve your ticket, make checks payable to Front Street UMC with "Priscilla Shirer" in the memo-line by **August 17**. Payment can be: 1) dropped by the church office, 2) mailed to Martha Brannock, Treasurer of UMW @ FSUMC: 214 Forestview Dr., Elon, NC 27244

At this time, tickets are only available to members of UMW/FSUMC. After August 17, any remaining tickets will be available for members of the wider community to purchase. Your ticket is reserved once payment is received.

LIVE-STREAMING

We are pleased to be able to live-stream our 11:00 a.m. worship each week for the benefit of those who are not able to be physically present. For those who would prefer to not be on camera, we endeavor to make the back half of the sanctuary a non-video zone. If you have any questions about this service, please feel free to speak with Pastor Ray. For Aldersgate sermons, search Aldersgate@FSUMC wherever you find podcasts to listen to past sermons.

FRONT STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Our Mission:

Knowing Christ • *Growing in Christ* • *Sharing Christ*



Pastors

Rev. Ray Warren
Rev. Stephan Margeson

Children's Minister
Melissa Miller

Youth Minister
Chris Huneycutt

Minister of Visitation
Leslie B. Peavy

Organist/Director of Music
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD
JULY 31, 2022
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome: It's time to celebrate, we are in the presence of God. We invite you to joyfully prepare your hearts to receive God's love and to feel connected to the Body of Christ this day. Please take a moment to sign the pew pads. We'd like to keep you informed of what we are doing, so please give us your email, too.

* Please stand as you are able.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

GATHERING AND COMMUNITY CONCERN

PRELUDE Four Chorale Preludes on LOBE DEN HERREN

II. Ornamented Chorale

Dr. Andy Lang, organ

Larry Visser
(b. 1962)

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)

Leader: A new day has begun.

People: Hope wins!

Leader: A fresh start is granted.

People: Faith wins!

Leader: Today you have the opportunity to do something new.

People: Hope wins!

Leader: Christ is entering your life in a new way.

People: Faith wins!

All: **Let us worship God, who is inviting us into life in a new way, a way that transcends death, a way of hope and faith. Love wins!**

*** PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 126**

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (RESPONSIVELY)

Leader: Forgive us, God, for so often we have taken your kingdom for granted. You have given us the seeds of faith, the fruits of the spirit, and we have misused these resources; displayed them rarely, bestowed them grudgingly, ignored them blithely.

All: **Thank you, God, that you are stronger than our destructiveness and greater than our meanness, that you give us a fresh start, a second chance. Overwhelm us with the power of your resurrected love. Compel us with the challenge you issue for change. Lead us in the conquest of our own limits and restrictions. Drive us towards a new life of peace, justice, mercy, grace, and integrity. Amen.**

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward to the chancel steps. Children ages 4 – first grade may then depart for Children's Church in Room 309.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (IN UNISON)

Speak to us, Lord. Speak to us in the waiting, the watching, the hoping, the longing, the sorrow, the sighing, the rejoicing. Speak to us by your Word in these divided, confusing days, that we may hear clearly your desire for us today and the years ahead. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Psalm 99
*Luke 19:1-10**

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SERMON

"At the Table"

Rev. Ray Warren

CALL TO PRAYER

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Thank you for your support of the mission and ministry of the church. If you would prefer to make your contribution via Text-to-Give, just text your offering amount to FSUMC's dedicated number, 336-489-GIVE (4483).

OFFERTORY Four Chorale Preludes on LOBE DEN HERREN

III. Chorale Trio

Dr. Andy Lang, organ

Larry Visser

*** DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All Singing: 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 uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

UMH No. 94

*** THE APOSTLES' CREED**

UMH No. 881

*** HYMN No. 102**

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKE

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Four Chorale Preludes on LOBE DEN HERREN

I. In Organo Pleno

Larry Visser

Dr. Andy Lang, organ

WELCOME! We're glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Following this service, there is a gathering in the Heritage Center for fellowship and refreshments. Please join us. Our host this week is Betty Huneycutt.

THIS MORNING we welcome Dr. Andy Lang as our guest organist. Andy is the Associate Dean of Information Technology and Data Analytics at UNC-Chapel Hill.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Susie McPhail by Shane, Tori, Luc, and Will Stadler.

MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD serving in July are Ruth Colville, Susan Black, Louise Cox, Margaret Ann Freeman, and Janice Whitlatch.

THE PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are located in the pews and on the tables in the narthex and may be placed in the offering or in the Prayer Request Boxes in the reading area and the narthex area, or you may email the Prayer Ministry Team at prayer@frontstreetumc.org. A member of the prayer team will collect requests and offer prayers for requests given on the prayer request cards.

MIDWEEK MESSAGE

Be sure to check out our Facebook page or YouTube channel for the latest Midweek Message from Pastor Ray and Pastor Stephan. The video premieres on Wednesdays and will also be included in Friday's "Happenings" email.