

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

Lay Reader: Tim Laverty  
 Acolyte: Jacob Garrison

**BIBLE STUDY**

Join us on **Wednesday mornings** at 10 a.m. via Zoom for a Bible study on the book of Luke. Look for the Zoom link in Tuesday's *Front Street Happenings* email.

**BUCKNER MISSION MAN TRIATHLON | JULY 31, 2021 AT LAKE CAMMACK**

Volunteers are needed to fill various positions for this year's event. If you are interested in serving, or for a list of open volunteer positions, visit [www.frontstreetumc.org](http://www.frontstreetumc.org) (click on the BMMT icon) or contact Amanda Warren ([fosterunc@aol.com](mailto:fosterunc@aol.com) or 336-317-0715) or Susan Morris ([susiecmorris@yahoo.com](mailto:susiecmorris@yahoo.com) or 443-823-8735). If you know of someone who is interested in registering as a participant, please share our website with them. Registration is now open!

**CALL-UP CHOIR**

On **Sunday, August 1**, we will have a call-up choir. This opportunity is open to all vaccinated youth and adults who would like to participate. The choir will sing during the offertory at the 11:00 a.m. service, and it will be a well-known hymn or anthem. Meet in the choir room at 10:00 a.m. on August 1 for a brief rehearsal. Participants will not wear robes or process at the beginning of the service. If you have missed gathering with others to sing, or have always wanted to sing in the Front Street choir, then this is the perfect opportunity for you! For more information, contact Dr. Matt at [matt@frontstreetumc.org](mailto:matt@frontstreetumc.org).

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS:** The following dates are available to place flowers in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one: **August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**. For more information, please contact Linda Paul at 336-543-5081 (cell) or [kpaul5@triad.rr.com](mailto:kpaul5@triad.rr.com) (email).

**SAVE THE DATE**

The next blood drive is **September 11, 2021**, 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. in Aldersgate Hall. Contact Gene Fonville at 336-260-8114 (cell) for more information.

**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Date	Aldersgate	11:00	Total
6/20	38	76	114
6/27	25	165	190
7/4	21	113	134
7/11	40	138	178

SEE BACK OF BULLETIN FOR MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 18, 2021**

**Sunday, July 18**

8:45 Aldersgate Service Aldersgate Hall  
 11:00 Worship Service Sanctuary

**Monday, July 19-22 Playschool Camp**

7:00 Worship Team John Wesley Room

**Wednesday, July 21**

10:00 Bible Study led by Pastor Ross Zoom  
 6:00 Aldersgate Praise Band Aldersgate Hall  
 7:00 Staff-Parish Relations Committee Zoom

**Thursday, July 22**

7:00 Visioning Team Room 301

**Sunday, July 25**

8:45 Aldersgate Service Aldersgate Hall  
 11:00 Worship Service Sanctuary

**BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS**

The Bereavement Committee at FSUMC is seeking additional persons who might like to serve our congregation by assisting with a reception or meal preceding or immediately following the funeral for families at the passing of church members. We are specifically in need of additional members for the months of July, November, and December, but would gratefully accept your help during any time of the year.

If you would like more information, or feel called to help serve in this capacity, please contact Marie Crissman at [marie.crissman@gmail.com](mailto:marie.crissman@gmail.com) or at 336-260-2512.

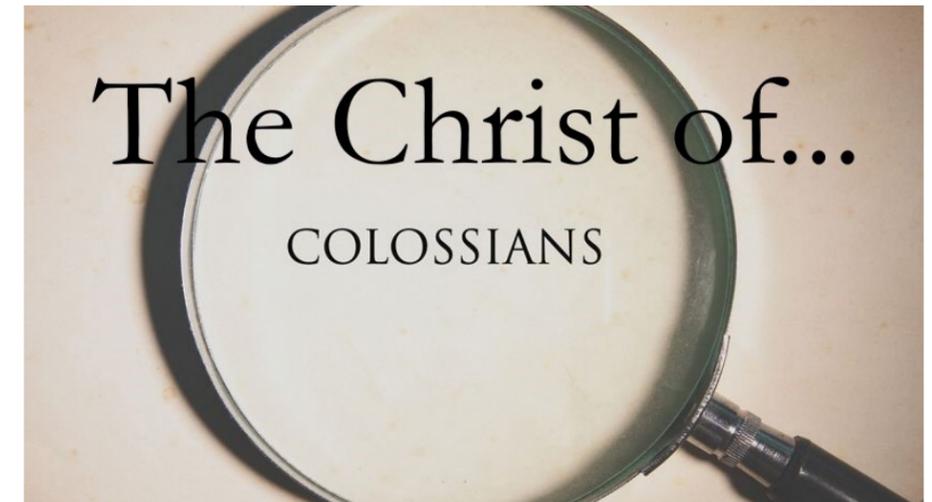
**LIVE-STREAMING**

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. The balcony is also available for non-video seating. If you have any questions about this service, please feel free to speak with Pastor Ross.

**FRONT STREET  
 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**Our Mission:**

*Knowing Christ • Growing in Christ • Sharing Christ*



**Pastors**

Rev. Ross Carter  
 Rev. Stephan Margeson

**Youth Minister**

Chris Huneycutt

**Minister of Visitation**

Leslie B. Peavy

**Organist/Director of Music**

Dr. Matt Brittain

**Director of Children's Ministries**

Marcella Z. McAdams

**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**JULY 18, 2021**  
**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.*

*If you are unvaccinated, you are highly encouraged to wear a mask.*

\* Please stand as you are able.

**ELEVEN O'CLOCK**

**GATHERING AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

**PRELUDE** **Pastorale on Come Down, O Love Divine** Frank Stoldt  
UMH No. 475 (b. 1958)  
Allison Willet, violin

**CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)**

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord our God.

**People: For the Lord is our God, and we are the Lord's people.**

Leader: As we wait upon the Lord, let us open our ears.

**People: That we might both hear and heed the word of the Lord.**

Leader: As we wait upon the Lord, let us open our eyes.

**People: That we might both see and perceive the will of the Lord.**

Leader: As we wait upon the Lord, let us open our hearts.

**People: That we might understand and turn to the Lord for guidance.**

\* **HYMN No. 116 The God of Abraham Praise** **LEONI**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Lord, who intercedes for us, hear our hearts. Hear that which we confess aloud, and that which we lift in private. Give us your grace, in the name of Christ.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)**

**Heavenly Father, you are tireless in speaking to us, but we find it easy to close our minds, refusing to hear that which would require painful change, rejecting the truth because it is inconvenient. Forgive our deliberate denseness of mind, our fearful resistance to your Word, and our stubborn insistence that our way is the best way. Continue your speaking until we hear. Amen.**

**PERSONAL CONFESSION AND MEDITATION (IN SILENCE)**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE (IN RESPONSE TO CONFESSION)**

Leader: Our gracious and loving Lord is the essence of generosity and patience. Rest in and rely on God's love and forgiveness, for it is in the name of Jesus Christ that you are forgiven.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

**All: Glory to God. Amen.**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (IN UNISON)**

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Colossians 2:6-19** NT Page 200

**SERMON** **"Christ of Colossians: Part II"** Rev. Ross Carter

**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** **Pastorale, Op. 150, No. 4** Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)

\* **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! Alleluia! UMH No. 94

\* **THE APOSTLES' CREED (IN UNISON)**

**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.**

\* **HYMN NO. 559 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation**  
**WESTMINSTER ABBEY**

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** **Processional (on 'Westminster Abbey')**  
David Willcocks (1919-2015)

**WE WELCOME** Allison Willet as our guest violinist.

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

**THE PRAYER REQUEST CARDS** are located on the tables in the narthex and may be placed in the offering plate or in the prayer request box in 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.