

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

Lay Reader: Gary Harris

#### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are looking for a way to connect to Front Street in a meaningful way, please consider volunteering in one of our children's Sunday school rooms. Ms. Melissa is looking for Sunday school teaching assistants and for occasional substitutes when the regular teachers are out. If you want more information, or are interested in serving on Sunday mornings, please contact Ms. Melissa (melissa@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.

#### 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.

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.

#### BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

All children and youth are invited to bring their backpacks to church with them on **Sunday, August 28**. We will be having a "Blessing of the Backpacks" at the Aldersgate and 11 a.m. services to bless all learners and teachers in our church and in our community.

#### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The following dates are available to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one: **August 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
7/17	52	119	171
7/24	38	125	163
7/31	50	124	174
8/7	40	167	207

SEE BACK OF BULLETIN FOR MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 14, 2022

##### Sunday, August 14

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 15

7:00 Worship Team Meeting	John Wesley Room
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##### Tuesday, August 16

10:00 Tuesday Morning Women's BS Planning	Room 401
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##### Wednesday, August 17

7:00 Hospitality Team Meeting	John Wesley Room
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##### Thursday, August 18

9:30 Prayer Ministry	Room 402/Zoom
12:00 Anti-Racism Book Study	Room 401

##### Sunday, August 21

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

#### JOIN THE CHANCEL CHOIR

Chancel choir resumes on **August 31** from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity to use your musical talent in service to God. If you can make a commitment to Wednesday rehearsals and Sunday worship, we encourage you to join our musical family. We look forward to singing with you. If you have any questions, please contact Brad Logan at 919-568-9928 or bradlogan56@gmail.com.

#### CHILDREN'S CHOIR: REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

As we look forward to a new school year, make plans to join the Front Street Children's Choir! **Rehearsals will take place on Sunday afternoons from 4:00-5:00 p.m. in the sanctuary beginning September 11.** Registration is now open! Visit [www.frontstreetumc.org](http://www.frontstreetumc.org) for more information or to register your child. **Please register by August 31.**

Dr. Matt will need one adult helper a week for choir rehearsals. Our Safe Sanctuary guidelines require that when working with children, two adults be present in the room. If you are interested in assisting in this way on a weekly or monthly basis, contact Dr. Matt at matt@frontstreetumc.org.

#### ROOM RESERVATIONS AT FRONT STREET

The church requires a room reservation form to be completed and submitted to the office for all meetings or events. The form is available on the Home page of the church website under Quick Links, click on "Reserve a Room @ FSUMC." Also, a paper copy of the form is available in the church office. Once the reservation form has been submitted, a confirmation email will be sent regarding the room request.

If you have any questions, please call or email Pamela at 336-227-6263 or [pamela@frontstreetumc.org](mailto:pamela@frontstreetumc.org).

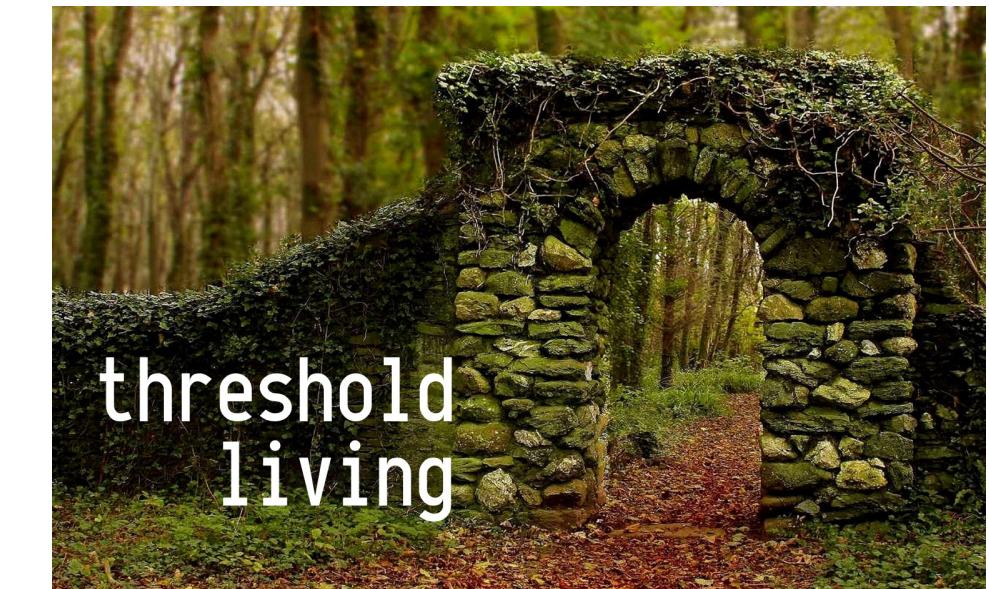
#### LIVE-STREAMING

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 not to 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](mailto: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  
Dr. Matt Brittain

Choir Director  
Dr. P. Bradley Logan

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**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**AUGUST 14, 2022**  
**TENTH 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**

**PRELUD** **Trumpets of Light** Dan Locklair  
2. **Illumination** (b. 1949)  
("Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart." Psalm 97:11)  
Tim Hudson, trumpet

**CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)**  
Leader: In the darkest valley,  
**People: at the banquet table;**  
Leader: in the hard work of life,  
**People: at the moments of unease;**  
Leader: in our day-to-day reality,  
**People: at times set aside—and times unknown**  
Leader: like this time, now—and for unknown tomorrows  
**People: for worship, for listening, for paying attention;**  
Leader: with every step we take:  
**All: in unknown, and known places, in between spaces, your goodness and mercy Lord Jesus, follow us. So today, once again we celebrate togetherness with you and one another.**

**\* OPENING HYMN No. 529 How Firm a Foundation FOUNDATION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (RESPONSIVELY)**  
Leader: God, we confess that we do not always understand what is happening in and around our lives. We are easily discouraged when life takes unexpected turns and our carefully laid plans and dreams come to nothing. We confess that we are quick to give up when things get difficult, and quick to question Your presence and Your power.

**People:** Forgive us. Grant us patience to wait for Your good timing. Open our eyes to recognize Your leading in our lives—to listen for Your gentle whisper when we least expect it. And then give us courage to step out in faith and obedience, trusting in Your leading even when we cannot yet see the outcome.

**All:** We praise You for Your faithful love, and pray that You would make us worthy to bear Your name. 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)**

**Mighty God, you spoke to your people in the pillar of cloud as they wondered together in the wilderness. We ask that you open our wondering hearts and minds as we listen to you as you speak to us through your Word today, that we may hear you calling us through wilderness places in our lives and into new places which we are unaware. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Psalm 16** OT Page 495  
**Genesis 37:2-20** OT Page 34

**SERMON** **"Threshold Living"** 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** **O Waly, Waly** Sue Mitchell-Wallace  
UMH No. 408 (b. 1944)  
Tim Hudson, trumpet

**\* DOXOLOGY**

**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**

**\* HYMN No. 730 O Day of God, Draw Nigh** **ST. MICHAEL**

**\* BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** **Trumpets of Light** **3. Procession** Dan Locklair

("Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of thy countenance." Psalm 89:15)  
Tim Hudson, trumpet

**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 hosts this week are Mike and Margaret Mitchell.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in appreciation of the Upper Room Class by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Harris.

**MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD** serving in August are Doris Jefferson, Linda Paul, Ellen Ritter, Nancy Sain, and Susan Taylor.

**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](mailto: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**

Join us each week on our Facebook page and YouTube channel for the latest Midweek Message from Pastor Ray and Pastor Stephan. The video premieres on Wednesday evening. This video will also be included in Friday's "Happenings" email.