

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

Lay Reader: Julian Mims
Acolyte: Lydia Andress
Crucifer: Luke Andress

WORSHIP NOTE

This morning's opening hymn, "Christ, upon the Mountain Peak" (UMH No. 260), is an example of a hymn that paints the text through the music. Peter Cutts' tune eloquently depicts Brian Wren's text by striding up the mountain peak and at the Transfiguration, striding down again transposed ("transfigured") to another key. The distinctly twentieth-century harmonic context is skillfully composed in the characteristic manner of the music of Paul Hindemith (1895-1963).

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.

TUESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The women's Bible study will resume on **Tuesday, March 1** at 9:30 a.m. in room 401. New members are welcome to join us. For more information, you may call Patty Diming (336-570-9739) or Salley Bradford (336-584-7401).

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

There will be an Ash Wednesday Service on **Wednesday, March 2** at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary, including the imposition of ashes. A nursery for children under 5 will be provided. Please join us.

LENT AT HOME BAGS

Ms. Melissa has put together a Lent at Home bag (one per family) for children PreK-5th grade. Each bag contains activities to help your child walk through the season of Lent. There is a different theme for each of the 6 weeks of Lent, and each week includes a hands on activity, a prayer activity, and scriptures that accompany the weekly topic. If you would like a bag, please let Ms. Melissa know by emailing melissa@frontstreetumc.org.

Also: If your child attends Sunday School, be on the lookout for age appropriate materials that Ms. Melissa will be sending home on Sundays throughout Lent.

FSUMC 101

If you are a new member, or if you are not a member yet, we are holding a class just for you! Through the **Sundays in March**, beginning at 10 a.m. in room 401, we will be spending some time during the Sunday school hour learning about what it means to be a Methodist, a member of FSUMC, and all the great ways you can participate in the life of this great ministry! There is no special commitment you need to make in this class. This is simply a place to learn. However, we hope you will find that FSUMC is a place for you to call home. This is a place where you can Know Christ, Grow in Christ, and Share Christ. Learn more and sign up at frontstreetumc.org.

CEREAL SUNDAY

Don't forget **March 6** is Cereal Sunday at FSUMC! Please deposit cereal or other canned/dry goods in the tubs in the cabinet in the Welcome Center. Thank you!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Date	Aldersgate	11:00	Total
1/30	28	119	147
2/6	30	121	151
2/13	40	100	140
2/20	32	144	176

SEE BACK OF BULLETIN FOR MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 27, 2022

Sunday, February 27

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
12:00	Youth Stock Letter Stuffing	Aldersgate Hall
6:00	UMYF	Aldersgate Hall

Monday, February 28

7:00	COVID Task Force	Zoom
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Tuesday, March 1

9:00	Men's Breakfast Bible Study	Zoom
9:30	Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study	Room 401
6:00	Endowment Meeting	Zoom
6:15	Epworth Ringers	Bell Room
7:00	Discipleship Team Meeting	John Wesley Room

Wednesday, March 2

7:30	Youth Breakfast Club	Biscuitville at S Church St.
7:00	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary

Thursday, March 3

7:00	Missions Team Meeting	John Wesley Room
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Sunday, March 6

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
6:00	UMYF	Aldersgate Hall
6:00	Confirmation	Ministry Center

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

Each Wednesday following Ash Wednesday, we will gather together for a meal and time of devotion. No need to plan a meal for this day each week! No need to plan a way to engage with God. We've got both covered. Our wonderful children's minister, Melissa, will have space for children of all ages to participate in life together, and Pastor Ross and Pastor Stephan will lead a discussion on remembering our first love in Jesus! Come join us each week!

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 Ross. 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**



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Rev. Ross Carter
Rev. Stephan Margeson

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Melissa Miller

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**THE WORSHIP OF GOD
FEBRUARY 27, 2022
TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY**

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.

All in attendance are required to wear a mask regardless of vaccination status.

* Please stand as you are able.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

GATHERING AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS

PRELUDE **Passacaglia in C Minor** (Built on the Sure Foundation) Fred Gramann (b. 1950)
Epworth Ringers

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)

Leader: Get ready! A miraculous thing is about to happen!

People: What is it!

Leader: The powerful light of Jesus will transform your lives!

People: But we are unworthy to receive this light.

Leader: Jesus himself has proclaimed you worthy and beloved. Come, and live in the light.

People: Praise be to God and to Jesus Christ, who has healed and redeemed us. Amen.

* **OPENING HYMN No. 260 Christ, upon the Mountain Peak**
SHILLINGFORD

CALL TO CONFESSION

Our God is waiting to be gracious to you, yearning to have pity on you. Blessed are all who wait for the Lord. In faith, let us make our confession to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)

Lord of infinite mercy, we are in such a hurry to memorialize everything that the power and meaning of an event becomes pale or altered in our life. Help us look at the Transfiguration of Jesus with new eyes, those eyes that see him in light of the witness of the ages; eyes that see Jesus as the One who comes to set people free, to heal, to bring hope and peace. Forgive us for the times when we fail to be faithful disciples. Help us to offer ourselves; for we kneel before you, imperfect, but willing to serve. Amen.

PERSONAL CONFESSION AND MEDITATION (IN SILENCE)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Rejoice! You have been blessed by God to be witnesses; to proclaim God's love to all. Be at peace! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

All: Glory to God. 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.

ANTHEM **When I Survey the Wondrous Cross** Dan Forrest
Chancel Choir (b. 1978)
Nathan Southwick, violin

When I survey the wondrous cross,
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
Were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

-Isaac Watts (1674-1748);
alternate text by John Newton (1725-1807), alt.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (IN UNISON)

O Lord, on this Sunday of Transfiguration, we pray that your light would pour over these pages and illumine these old, old words—that they would dance with newness in our hearts and minds. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON **2 Corinthians 3:12-18** NT Page 180
*Luke 9:28-43a NT Page 69

SERMON **"Thin Places"** 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

Sechs Stücke, Op. 150 Josef Rheinberger
II. Abendlied
Nathan Southwick, violin

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. 258 O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair** **WAREHAM**

* **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE **Organ Sonata No. 1 in C Minor, Op. 27**
I. Prelude Josef Rheinberger

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 Curtis and Sharon Beal.

THIS MORNING Front Street welcomes violinist Nathan Southwick. Originally from Salt Lake City, Nathan has quickly established for himself a reputation in the southeast as a sought after soloist, teacher, and clinician. He is on the faculties of Campbell University and Gardner-Webb University and also performs with a number of regional orchestras and ensembles including the Greensboro, Winston-Salem, and Western Piedmont Orchestras, the Elon Contemporary Chamber Ensemble, and the Vibiano String Quartet, which is the graduate quartet in residence at UNCG. Nathan maintains a large, private-lesson studio, prioritizing responsive teaching and fostering a commitment to community.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of and appreciation for Matt, Brad, and all of the Front Street choir members.