

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

Lay Reader: Julian Mims

GRACE AND GRATITUDE RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN

It's November and what better time to focus on grace and gratitude. In the Welcome Center and in the children's worship center you will find resources that contain 30 days of helping your kids read scripture related to giving thanks, giving them a category to write down what they are thankful, and then saying "Grace" and thanking God for these blessings. Simple, yet powerful ways to instill gratitude to God in your kids! Questions? Contact Ms. Melissa at [melissa@frontstreetumc.org](mailto:melissa@frontstreetumc.org).

UPDATED FOOD LIST FOR BACKPACK MINISTRY

This academic year, our Backpack Ministry supplies food for 200 children at Eastlawn Elementary. Here are our current needs: boxed cornbread mix, boxed mashed potatoes, canned cranberry sauce, pasta and peanut butter in plastic jars. Please deposit donations in the Welcome Center.

POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias will be placed in the Sanctuary on Sunday, November 27. The cost is \$35 per poinsettia, and they may be purchased in honor or in memory of a loved one. Order online or pick up an order form from the Welcome Center. Deadline to order is **today**.

THANKSGIVING MEALS FOR EASTLAWN FAMILIES

Thank you to everyone who purchased a turkey meal for an Eastlawn Elementary family. We are still accepting donations of \$40.00 for a turkey meal. Make checks payable to Front Street UMC with "turkey" in the memo-line and turn into the church office by **today**. Also, volunteers are needed to assist with delivering the turkeys to Eastlawn on **November 21** at 10 a.m. Please contact Ms. Melissa at [melissa@frontstreetumc.org](mailto:melissa@frontstreetumc.org) to volunteer.

ADVENT DEVOTIONS

Front Street's Advent Devotions 2022 will be available **Sunday, November 20**. Please pick up a copy in the Welcome Center, Narthex, or Heritage Center. We ask that you only take one copy per family. Beginning November 27, a daily devotion will be posted on Front Street's Facebook page. 'Like' us to receive notifications. Alternatively, sign up at our website, [www.frontstreetumc.org](http://www.frontstreetumc.org), to receive a daily Advent devotion straight to your inbox. We hope these devotions will be a source of renewal for you this Advent season.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed **Thursday, November 24** and **Friday, November 25** in observance of Thanksgiving. From all of us at Front Street UMC, we wish you and your family a very Happy Thanksgiving.

BEL CANTO COMPANY HOLIDAY CONCERT

Begin the holiday season with a concert of familiar songs, songs from the past, and new music. The Bel Canto Company will perform at Front Street United Methodist Church on **Monday, November 28** at 7:30 p.m. This is a free event. A love offering will be collected to help defray costs. All are welcome!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Date	Aldersgate	11:00	Total
10/16	29	162	191
10/23	50	136	186
10/30	50	149	199
11/6	52	183	235

SEE BACK OF BULLETIN FOR MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 13, 2022

Sunday, November 13

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, November 14

7:00	Worship Team Meeting	John Wesley Room
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Tuesday, November 15

8:00	Men's Breakfast Bible Study	Heritage Center
9:30	Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study	Room 401
6:00	Finance Team Meeting	John Wesley Room

Wednesday, November 16

7:30	Youth Breakfast Club	Biscuitville, 669 Huffman Mill Road
2:00	Fresh Mobile Market	Parking Lot
7:00	Chancel Choir	Choir Room

Thursday, November 17

9:30	Prayer Ministry	Room 402
10:00	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Room 405
12:00	Social Justice Conversations	John Wesley Room
7:00	Discipleship Planning Meeting	Aldersgate Hall

Friday, November 18

11:30	Senior Singles Fellowship	Southbound Sandwich Works
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Sunday, November 20

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
4:00	Children's Choir	Sanctuary
6:00	UMYF	Aldersgate Hall

HYGIENE KITS FOR ALLIED CHURCHES

The UMW/UWIF is collecting items for hygiene kits to be utilized by clients at ACAC. Items to go in the hygiene kits are: deodorant, bar soap, hand warmers, toothbrush, and toothpaste. Complete kits should be placed in a gallon zip lock bag. Please deposit individual items and completed kits in the basket under the UMW/UWIF bulletin board in the Welcome Center by Sunday, December 4.

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](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

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Rev. Stephan Margeson

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Follow Us



Welcome: At Front Street, we follow a rhythm of prayer and worship found in *The United Methodist Hymnal*. *The United Methodist Hymnal* (UMH) is the red, hardbound book found in the pew racks. *The Faith We Sing* (TFWS) is the black, softbound book located behind the UMH in the pew racks. An asterisk (\*) indicates to stand, where able. The people's responses are printed in **bold**. Before the worship service, we invite you to prepare your hearts to receive God's love and to feel connected to the Body of Christ. Please take a moment to sign the pew pads. After the worship service, green recycling boxes can be found in the narthex for disposal of worship guides. Thank you for helping us with our creation care.

## GATHERING AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**People:** For God has founded it.  
**All:** Rejoice as we join together in praise for God's great gifts.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You provide us with opportunity to serve in numerous ways using the talents and abilities we have been given. We tend to hide our gifts and hold onto our resources. You have provided us with more resources than most of the world. Yet we resist sharing because of fear for the future. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

**Now Lord free us and give us the courage, to do all that you ask, in the way that you ask, for as long as you ask, simply because you have asked. Amen**

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.

If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter,  
That he may bide with you forever, even the spirit of truth.  
-John 14:15-17

God, one of the great gifts that you have shared with us is your word. Open our hearts and minds as the scriptures are read and the message is proclaimed to hear with anticipation what you have to say and give us a sense of urgency to respond to what you ask of us today. Amen.

SERMON                      **"Generosity"**                      Rev. Ray Warren

## CELEBRATION OF GENEROSITY

We invite you to bring your tithes, offerings, and estimated giving cards and place them on the altar.

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).

**\* 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 UMH No. 375 There is a Balm in Gilead    BALM IN GILEAD**

POSTLUDE	<b>Offertoire</b> Dr. Andy Lang	Franck
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**TODAY IS COMMITMENT SUNDAY.** Tithe/estimated giving cards are available on the tables in the narthex or please acknowledge an usher to be given a card where you are seated. We have the opportunity to communicate our estimated giving for 2023, and this year you have four options on how to do that:

**You can place your estimated giving card on the altar.**  
**You can mail your estimated giving card to our Financial**  
**Manager, Tammy Page, in the church office (PO Box 2597**  
**Burlington, NC 27216).**

**You can deliver your estimated giving card to the Church Office** Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**You can enter your estimated giving online.** Just go to Front Street's website ([frontstreetumc.org](http://frontstreetumc.org)) and click on the *Stronger Together* logo. This online method has the same blanks to fill in as the paper estimated giving card. When you hit "Submit" after the final question, it will send the information directly to our Financial Manager, Tammy Page.

**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 Wes and Lynn Collins.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in memory of Bob, Betty and Robin Smith by Todd, Beverly, Alexis, and Matt Smith and Leigh Jones.

**MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD** serving in November are Martha Brannock, Margaret Mitchell, Doris Simpson, Linda Weavil, and Nancy Wilson.

**MEMBERS OF THE BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE** serving in November are Marie Crissman, Lynn Collins, Charlene Davis, Jan Peach, Vickie Sykes, Ruth Ann Stubblefield, and Susie Wall. If you are interested in serving on the Bereavement Committee, please contact Marie Crissman at [marie.crissman@gmail.com](mailto:marie.crissman@gmail.com) or 336-260-2512.

**THE PRAYER REQUEST CARDS** in the pews 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). We thank team members Jim and Kathy Roberson, who will be in the Prayer Room on our behalf at noon to pray for requests given on the Prayer Request Cards.