

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scan the QR code to the right for additional announcements, upcoming events for all ages, and opportunities to serve here at Memorial and within our community!



IMPORTANT: Charge Conference is Monday, April 1st at 7:00 pm in the Social Hall. The purpose of the conference is to consider the recommendation to sell the parsonage and will be led by Jim Dennis, our District Superintendent.

SUPPER @ 6: Please join us for our next fellowship dinner on Wednesday, April 3rd in the FLC. The menu will be grilled chicken, mac n cheese, sweet potato casserole, steamed vegetables, bread, and brownies for dessert. The cost is \$10/Adult and \$6/Child. Register on Realm or call the church office so we can plan accordingly. Immediately following the supper please join us in the the sanctuary for a short piano concert performed by Kristina.

STEPPING STONES FUNDRAISER: The Stepping Stones will be conducting a fundraiser on Sunday, April 7th. They will be selling breakfast biscuits with a side and a drink for \$7. All funds raised will be donated to Greer Relief to assist those in need with CPW utility bills. There will be order forms located in the FLC lobby, Narthex, and in each Sunday school classroom. Please turn in your order forms through the offering plate, the church office or a staff member no later than Monday, April 1st. Orders will be available for pick up on Sunday, April 7th from 8:45am to 9:15am in the Social Hall.

VISITORS: Please join Pastor, George Riser and Director of Outreach, Tawny Johnson for Coffee & Conversation on Sunday, April 7th at 9 am in the Family Room of the Sanctuary. We hope to see you there.

JOY BIBLE STUDY: We will resume our Bible Study on Wednesday, April 10th at 9:30 am in the conference room at Joshua's Way.

"88 KEYS" PIANO SHOWCASE BY KRISTINA: Please join us on Sunday, April 14th at 3 pm in the Sanctuary for a concert performed by Kristina on our new grand piano. There will be a reception with light refreshments following the concert in the Social Hall.

UWF SPRING LUNCHEON: All ladies are invited to the United Women in Faith Spring Luncheon on Saturday, April 20th at 11:30 am in the Social Hall. Our guest speaker will be from Epworth Children's Home and Foster Care. Tickets are \$10 and available from a UWF officer or at the church office.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The congregation is invited to place flowers on the Sanctuary Altar any Sunday. In the past, flowers have been given "in memory of" or "in honor of" a loved one. Flowers have also been given to honor an anniversary, a baptism, a birthday, or any other special event. The cost is \$85 for two arrangements; however, if you special flower requests, the arrangements may cost more. Please call Harriet Johnson at 864-449-1396 to reserve the date and she will contact the florist.

PASTORAL CARE: Reverend Riser and the staff would like to know if you or a family member have been hospitalized or have an upcoming surgery/procedure. Please contact the church office at (864) 877-0956.

THANK YOU: We had a great turn out at the Blood Drive this past Sunday, with a total of 13 donors and 39 lives saved. Thank you to everyone for your support and helping make this happen.

88KEYS
consider the gift of music



Donated as of 3/24/24: \$20,771

We have raised 35% of our goal of \$60,000



GIVING SUMMARY

OPERATING BUDGET

Amount needed weekly: \$12,895.42

Amount received 3/24/24: **\$9,709.13**

Amount needed year to date: \$154,745.08

Amount received year to date: **\$106,871.69**

BUILDING FUND

Amount needed weekly: \$1,200.00

Amount received 3/24/24: **\$625.00**

Amount needed year to date: \$14,400.00

Amount received year to date: **\$10,830.00**

ATTENDANCE

Total worship attendance 3/24/24: 240

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

MARCH 17 - 24, 2024

GIVEN IN MEMORY OF

Ralph Johnson
to the Piano Fund by
Adair Johnson

Ralph Johnson
to the Scholarship Fund by
Allen & Mary Lee
Eric & Katie Jeter
Glenda Rogers
Reynold & Kathy Danesi
US Naval Academy, Class of '72
Kathy & Gundy Stewart
Charles P. Smith, Jr.
Jimmy & Paula Starr Melehes
Harry & Cathy McMillan
Larry & Mary Ann Hinson
Stan Coster & Diane Christofferson
Thomas Fisher & Edwards, PA
John & Julie McMakin
Michael & Patricia Hunnicutt
Phil & Francis Hendricks
Sarah Cloninger
Paul Brannon & Karen Baldwin
Candace Phillips
Karen Padgett
Lynn Duval Clark
Margaret Long
Karen Pridgeon
Karen Titcomb
Rebecca Wray
Tiffany Catafygiotu
Daryl & JoAnn Rishforth
CBL State Savings Bank
Catherine Batson
Michael & Cathy Daley
David & Sara Ramage

Reverend John Rush
to the Piano Fund by
Rebecca Wray

GIVEN IN HONOR OF

Elaine Rush
to the Piano Fund by
Rebecca Wray



SCAN THE QR CODE
TO GIVE TODAY

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH 31, 2024 - APRIL 7, 2024

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

9 AM - Contemporary Worship Service

10 AM - Sunday School Hour

11 AM - Traditional Worship Service

MONDAY, APRIL 1

OFFICE CLOSED

7:30 AM - Men's Bible Study

6 PM - SPRC Meeting

7 PM - Charge Conference

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

9:30 AM - Prayer Group

12 PM - Staff Meeting

7:30 PM - Basketball Practice

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

5:45 PM - Handbell Rehearsal

6 PM - Supper at 6

7 PM - Concert by Kristina

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

6 PM - Puzzles & Deserts

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

No Events Scheduled

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

8:30 AM - CEP Training

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

9 AM - Sunday School

9 AM - Breakfast Fundraiser

9 AM - Coffee & Conversation

10 AM - One Worship Service

5 PM - Memorial's Kids

5 PM - Youth Night

MEMORIAL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024



Reverend George Riser
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HELLO & WELCOME!

We're delighted you've chosen to join us for today's service. Attendance booklets are available at the beginning of each worship opportunity to be completed and given to the ushers during the offertory. Kids worship bags are also available to enhance their Sunday morning time.

VISITORS

If you're joining us for the first time today, the QR code is just for you! Please scan it to fill out as much information as you'd like so we can connect with you in the coming week.



CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:00 am / Family Life Center
*Please stand as you are able

*OPENING SONG

PRAYER

*LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

*SONG

PASSING OF THE PEACE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Rev. George Riser

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE - John 20: 1-18

SERMON - "Something's Happening!"

Rev. George Riser

*AN EASTER AFFIRMATION

OFFERING

*CLOSING SONG/BENEDICTION

All the elements of the service will be provided on the screen.

Set-up: Kevin & Allison Duncan
Video: Jeff & Layne Austin
Sound: David Mayberry
Projector: Wade Mayberry
Ushers/Greeters: Lee Ann Duncan

TRADITIONAL SERVICE
ORDER OF WORSHIP

11:00 am / Sanctuary
*Please stand as you are able

Assemble in God's Name

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE - Majesty arr. Cody

INTROIT - Christ is Risen, Alleluia! Althouse & Albrecht

WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

PASTOR: Grace and peace to you from Jesus Christ our Lord. Brothers and sisters in Christ: On this holy morning in which Jesus Christ passed over from death to life, we gather as the Church to watch and pray. This is the Passover of Christ, in which we share Christ's victory over death.

PEOPLE: God of life, through Jesus Christ you have bestowed upon the world the light of life. Sanctify this Pascal Candle and grant that our hearts and minds may also be kindled with a holy desire to shine forth with the brightness of Christ's rising, that we may attain the feast of everlasting light, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTOR: The light of Christ rises in glory, overcoming the darkness of sin and death.

ALL: Christ is our light!

*HYMN #302 Christ the Lord is Risen Today Althouse & Albrecht

Proclamation and Response

*AN EASTER AFFIRMATION

As Easter people, we believe God is Lord of both life and death. We believe that in an astounding act of grace, Jesus suffered and died on the cross to save us from our sins. We believe that three days later, Jesus was raised from the dead, promising us salvation, not because we deserve it, but out of love, through grace. We believe we are called to respond to that gift of grace, not out of duty, but in gratitude, to seek peace, care for the ill, clothe the naked, feed the hungry, empower the oppressed and welcome the outcast, and to carry on Christ's work until he comes again. As Easter people, we are confident Christ will come again. Alleluia! Amen.

Acolyte: Anna Dumas
Lay Reader: Adam Wickliffe
Ushers/Greeters: Will Lavender,
Stephen Kennette, Pete Smith, Tom
Catafygiotu, Clayton Bearden

Sound: David Mayberry
Video: Adam Wickliffe

*GLORIA PATRI #71 GREATOREX

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. George Riser

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Pg. 1789
Mr. Adam Wickliffe

ANTHEM - On That Great, Great Mornin'. McDonald

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY - The Old Rugged Cross arr. Hayes

*DOXOLOGY #95 OLD 100th

*HYMN #310 He Lives ACKLEY

SCRIPTURE LESSON - John 20: 1-18 Pg. 1685

SERMON - "Something's Happening!" Rev. George Riser

Sending Forth

*HYMN #327 Crown Him with Many Crowns DIADEMATA

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE - Christ is Risen, Alleluia! Althouse & Albrecht

*POSTLUDE - Living for Jesus arr. Bonam

Trustee: Tommy Simmons
Offering Team: Ann Hammond, Brad & Pat Rivers