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Third Sunday in Lent March 20, 2022

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Pastor: Rev. Michael Goldston

Staff

Director of Music: William H. Searcy, Jr. Church Administrator: Melissa Campbell

Sexton: Gary Putnam

Please silence and turn off Wi-Fi on your mobile device to ensure we have the bandwidth to livestream today's service. Thank you.

*Please stand as you are able.

Gathering

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "We Would See Jesus" Whitworth

*Processional Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" Hymnal no.545 Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship Hebrews 4:14, 16

Leader: We have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens,

People: Jesus, the Son of God;

Leader: Let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace.

All: That we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Opening Prayer

Book of Worship #337

All: O Lord our God, teach us temperance and self-control, that we may live in the Spirit and be mindful of all that Jesus endured and sacrificed for our sakes, and how he was made perfect through sufferings. Help us so to keep the fast that you have chosen, that we may loose the bonds of wickedness, undo the heavy burdens, and let the oppressed go free; through the grace of Christ Jesus our crucified and risen Savior. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Let us pass God's peace with each other. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please remain in your seat. Make signs of peace to those with you in person and connect with your phone with other live viewers through Facebook "comments.")

Welcome and Announcements

Introduction of New Pastor

Word and Response

Children's Sermon Children will come forward and sit on the dots. Following the children's sermon, we invite our K3 to 2nd grade children to follow the designated adult upstairs for a lesson and craft. Please follow the instructions on the name tag found in the back of your pew. At the end of the Prayers of the People, the adult leaders will bring them back to the sanctuary and ensure they return to their parent/quardian.

Prayer for Illumination

Jesus, give to us grace, sinners as we are. Open our eyes to see your face; open our hearts to know you, so that through your Word we obtain sure present and eternal gain. Amen.

First Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 NRSV (pg.156 NT)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Affirmation of Faith "The Apostles' Creed" UM Hymnal #881 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

*Gloria Patri Hymnal no.70

resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the

Second Scripture Genesis 32:22-32 NRSV (pg.29 OT)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series "Secret Identity"
Part 2 "Scoundrel Jacob"

Anthem "A Servants' Heart" McDonald

Chancel Choir

Prayers of the People

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

Response: Lord in your mercy, hear our 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.

Offertory

Special offering for the March of Dimes

Giving Links:

PayPal - https://www.paypal.com/biz/fund?id=Y9NV28ABLG5LW

Realm - https://onrealm.org/StPaulUMC1107/give/now

*The Doxology

Hymnal No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

<u>Sending</u>

*Closing Hymn

"Be Still, My Soul"

Hymnal no.534

*Benediction

(As you leave, please respect the social distancing needs of others.)

Postlude "Abide With Me" Whitworth

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

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Giving for 03/13/2022	Amount	Attendance	
General Fund	\$914.59	03/13/2022	
Summer Camp	\$25.00	In-person:50	
Total Giving:	\$939.59	Streaming households: 17	
		*Viewers reached: 70	

^{*&}quot;Streaming households" is the number of screens tuned in during the live broadcast on Sunday. "Viewers" are the number of screens that watched the service for at least 3 seconds

Worship Bags are available for children K3-2nd grade on the bench in the narthex. Look for your name or grab an unlabeled bag. They contain fun items and reusable stickers so the Bible story can be retold over and over. You may return them to the narthex as you leave or leave in your seat. Hope everyone enjoys their bag.

Today's Servers:

Reader: John Tate

Acolyte: Edna Patterson

Nursery: Not available today

Crucifer: John Tate

Children's Worship: Donna Connelly &

TBD

545 The Church's One Foundation

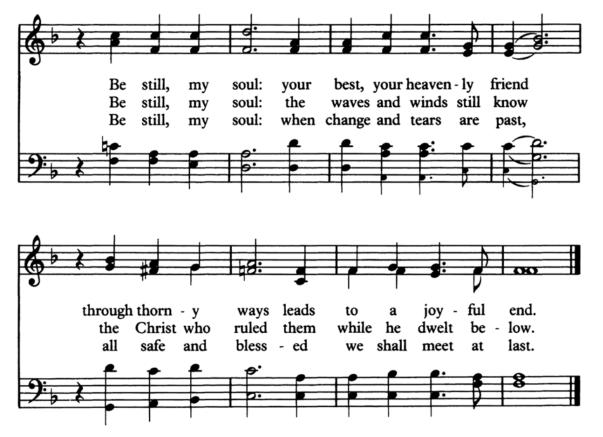


WORDS: Samuel J. Stone, 1866 MUSIC: Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

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Be Still, My Soul





WORDS: Katharina von Schlegel, 1752; trans. by Jane Borthwick, 1855 (Ps. 46:10) MUSIC: Jean Sibelius, 1899; arr. from *The Hymnal*, 1933

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Important Dates to Remember

Current week: Mon, 3/21	Finance Committee meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Upcoming events:		
Sun, 3/27	Youth Group: Aldersgate UMC	5:00pm
	Supper Club: D'Allesandro's Pizza	6:00pm
	Confirmation Class: Aldersgate UMC	6:30pm
Mon, 3/28	Church Council meeting: In-person and Zoom	
	6:30pm	
Wed, 3/30	Beacons of Light: Stax Omega	7:30pm
Sat, 4/2	Women's Retreat: Saint Paul	10:00am

From Pastor Michael

(You can always reach me at 864-979-2435 or megoldston@umcsc.org)



Bible Study: Meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:30pm. We are continuing to study Acts and meet via Zoom.

Office Hours: We are open from 8:15am until 1:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday and 8:00 to 12:30 on Wednesday. I am available at the above contact info and Melissa is available through the church email and phone.

Sunday Worship Safety Protocols

- 1. **Cloth or surgical face masks** covering the nose and mouth are **optional** for all times, places, and events. Masks are required for everyone aged 3 and older in the balcony.
- 2. "Do unto others what you would have them do to you." This means putting yourself in the shoes of your neighbor, who may be wearing a mask, or may be immune-compromised, or may be unvaccinated; treat each person with the dignity of a child of God to respect their personal space and personal decisions. If you don't personally know someone's needs, give them space in seating and standing.
- 3. If you feel sick in any way, please worship from home.

Saint Paul Cares

Happy Birthday: Raina Newman, 3/21; Steve Vaughn, Chris Cox, 3/22; Heather Storey, 3/23; Bill Searcy, Erin Crolley, John Sprinkle, 3/24; Ray Bruce, 3/26

Happy Anniversary: Steve & Donna Connelly are celebrating 49 years on 3/24. Congratulations!

In your prayers, please remember:

Abbie Barnette, Roger Barrett, Vicki Bolen, Annette Bostic, Tom Boykin, Zonelle Boykin, Linda Bruce, Chastity Campbell, Paul Campbell, Cheyanne Cantwell, Connie Cox, Patsy Crabtree, Eleanor Cunningham, Natalie Davis, Isaac Ferrell, Catherine Gilstrap, Marie Good, Debbie Goodwin, Doris Goodwin, Lisa Harbin, Carol Head, Sue Howard, Bill Huff, family of Ibby Jenkinson, Lee Jenkinson, Carol Johnson, Jean Jones, Tinsley Lyles, Crystal McCoy, Chuck McLesky, Karsyn Miller, Mackenzie Murphy, family of Leonard Price, Ronnie Roberts, Diane Robertson, Joyce Searcy, Mary Lee Shirley, Nancy Smith, Suzanne Sprinkle, Joe Whitmire, family of Sharon Williams, friends serving in the Armed Services, first responders, and the leaders of the United States of America. (Bold = New, *Italics* = Currently in hospital or rehabilitation)

Missions: Salkehatchie, Empowering Haitians, Interfaith Hospitality Network, Legacy Elementary, Hinton Center

Praise be given: Jodi Johnson

Upcoming Meetings



Finance Committee: Will be meeting on 3/21 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Becky Hollifield, David Knobeloch, Melissa Campbell, Donna Connelly, Tommy Head, Eugenia Vicars, Tracey Biggers, Jason Cheshire, and Pastor Michael. All are welcome!



Church Council: will be meeting on 3/28 at 6:30pm in person and via zoom. Members are Tracey Biggers, Lori Cheshire, Heather Storey, Janet Cook, Peggy Whitmire, Collins Cheshire, Eugenia Vicars, Ed Pool, Jim Storey, David Knobeloch, Becky Hollifield, Carol

Head, Davis Lupo, MaryAnn Stephens, Bill Searcy, Edna Patterson, Elaine Byers, and Mary Anne Terminato. All are welcome!



Trustees: Will be meeting on 4/4 at 7pm in-person and via Zoom. Members are Ed Pool, Jason Cheshire, John Smith, Jimmie-Lou Vaughn, Debbie Goodwin, and Chris Cox. All are welcome!



S/PPRC: Will be meeting on 4/7 at 6pm in-person and NOT 4/11. Members are Rebecca Roper, Tennille Crnobrnja, Jim Storey, Katie Knobeloch, Donna Connelly, Troy Gamble, and Pastor Michael. This is a closed meeting.

Announcements & Upcoming Events



Joint Youth Group: will be meeting 3/27 at Aldersgate UMC from 5:00 to 6:30pm for a geo-caching event. We will also meet at Aldersgate on 4/3 for a Salkehatchie worship celebration.



Confirmation class: will be meeting on 3/27 at Aldersgate UMC from 6:30 to 7:30pm.



Supper Club will be gathering on 3/27 at 6pm at D'Allesandro's Pizza on Mohawk Drive in Greenville. Join us for fellowship, laughter, and good food.



ATTENTION ALL VETERANS in the Mt. View / Blue Ridge / Taylors/ Tigerville/ Travelers Rest areas and beyond. Join us Thursday, April 28th from 8:30 AM – 10 AM, as we officially open our **VETERAN COFFEE HOUSE** at Mt. View United Methodist Church, 6525, Mt. View Rd, Taylors, SC. The 4th Thursday each

month from 8:30 AM - 10 AM we will open our VETERAN COFFEE HOUSE to local Veterans for coffee, conversation, information and fellowship.



Beacons of Light Sunday School Class will be gathering together on 3/30 at 7:30pm at Stax Omega on Orchard Park Drive in Greenville. Come gather for dessert and fellowship!



Women's Retreat: We are thrilled to announce that we will have a local Women's Retreat on 4/2 at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall at Saint Paul followed by lunch

together. We will have special guests, Grace Pouch and Perrin White, join us for the morning. Grace will lead us in a "laying the altar" activity and Perrin will lead us in guided meditation that will help us further connect with God. This will likely last until around noon and then we plan to go to lunch together somewhere nearby. We are so excited for this event and hope that you will be able to join us.



Salkehatchie Reboot Party on 4/3 is a way to reintroduce Salkehatchie (summer rebuilding mission work weeks) to our youth. We will have "rebuild" type activities and games that will get your group revved up

for Salkehatchie or whatever mission project you have chosen to do this summer or next. It will be at 5pm at Aldersgate UMC on Shannon Road in Greenville.

Opportunities to Serve



March of Dimes: We will be collecting funds for the March of Dimes from 3/13 through 4/13. "Together, we can work to end preventable maternal health risks and death, end preventable preterm birth and infant death, and end the health equity gap for all families."



We are continuing to collect non-perishable items for the **Hygiene** Bags. Please leave donations in the shopping cart located in the narthex and they will be stored until needed. Please see the display in the narthex to see what we need. Thank you!



Please consider helping support Project Host by ordering supplies they need on a regular basis.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2293025SV5Q37?ref =wl share

Or sign up to volunteer from 9am to 1pm at https://www.projecthost.org/.

E-vangelism

Let someone know about our **free wi-fi hotspot** for e-learning!

Network: St. Paul Guest Password: Guest

Share our live-stream on your Facebook page.

Take five minutes and write us a **review!** Facebook or Google