

11:00 a.m. Service

The Work of the People for September 17, 2023

Gathering For Praise

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

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God forgives us, and encourages us, and loves us.

Let us worship God today-

Because we are God's people.

Let us worship God.

Choral Call to Worship 'On Eagle Wings' Chancel Choir

***Hymn of Praise** 'O Worship the King' UMH 73

***Psalter Reading** Psalm 71: 1-12 UMH 794

*Gloria Patri

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.

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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Children's Disciple Moment Maureen Strange

Anthem 'More Love to Thee' Helvey

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Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading Psalm 127 (The Message) Sharon Grave

***Hymn of Preparation** 'My Hope is Built' UMH 368

Message Rule #3- Stay in Love with God Rev. Brian Gilmer

Responding to God's Word

***The Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles Creed UMH 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 ** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

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Offertory

Doxology UMH 94

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

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Going Forth to Serve God's World

***Hymn of Sending** 'Love Divine All Loves Excelling' UMH 384

Sending Forth

Worshiping here for the first time?

Stop by one of our Hospitality Stations on your way out of the sanctuary for a welcome bag and a greeting from one of our Hospitality Team members.

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS: The Faith We Sing Hymnal

Choir Director/Pianist Jann Howell

Guest Musician: Ginger Greer

CVLI 505442176

Stewardship Report

One Fund Monthly Goal 2023	\$47,808	Date	Online	In-Person	Sunday School
		9.3	41	136	-
One Fund Actual MTD	\$14,740	9.10	TBD	162	92
Deposits week ended	\$6,052				

Building Project Fund as of August
\$1,348,285

Thank you!

E-giving available at



trmethodist.net or scan QR code —>

Text-to-Give: text the amount you wish to give to (833) 948-2135, wait for response to guide you through the process.

Prayer

HOMEBOUND

George Adamson
James White
Dee Hughes
Patrick O'Dell
Reggy O'Dell
Frances Lockaby
Barbara Floyd
Martha Foster
Mary Greene
Robert Kay
Fred Dyal

TRUMC

Myra Robitalle
Sandy Bailey

Submit a prayer request to our Prayer Team:

prayer@trmethodist.net

(Please indicate if you would like it to be on

TRUMC is a Stephen Ministry Congregation. If you could benefit from having a Stephen Minister, please contact Patti Crenshaw (864)380-8421 or Dave McAda (864)380-5867

Pray for Peace in Ukraine and for all affected by the war



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Offertory 'Goodness of God' J. Johnson, B Fielding, et al

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Psalm 100 Band Director: Bryan Catron

TRAIL GUIDE

Sunday: September 17, 2023

Message: Rule #3-Stay in Love with God

Scripture: Psalm 127 (The Message)

1-2 If God doesn't build the house, the builders only build shacks.
If God doesn't guard the city, the night watchman might as well nap.
It's useless to rise early and go to bed late, and work your worried fingers to the bone.
Don't you know he enjoys giving rest to those he loves?
3-5 Don't you see that children are God's best gift?
the fruit of the womb his generous legacy?
Like a warrior's fistful of arrows are the children of a vigorous youth.
Oh, how blessed are you parents, with your quivers full of children!
Your enemies don't stand a chance against you;
you'll sweep them right off your doorstep.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

Trail Blazes (thoughts and ideas to guide you)

Next Steps for the Journey

How did you do this past at practicing Rule #1 (Do No Harm) and Rule #2 (Do Good)
What are some key ingredients of a healthy relationship?
How do those ingredients translate into our relationship with God?
Have you ever felt distant from God?
What are some things you can do this week, to help you "stay in love with God"?

Prayer for This Week's Walk

"Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as ever you can." — John Wesley



*The Church on the Trail
Walking with Christ,
Serving God,
Changing Lives.*

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16th Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Brian Gilmer
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Rev. Christine Matthews
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8:45 a.m. Service

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*Song of Welcome 'You're Worthy of My Praise' D Ruis

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*Song of Praise 'Shout to the Lord' D. Zschech

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Upcoming Events and Announcements

For full events schedule, see the monthly *Pew & Pulpit* Newsletter (paper or online)

Digital Connect Card



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Acolytes/Bible Bearers; Scripture Readers; Greeters/Ushers:
Sign up online www.trmethodist.net/online-sign-ups

Email List Sign Up



TODAY'S MEETINGS 9/17

Cottage Meeting: after the 11AM worship service in the Parlor

Hand Bells: 12:30PM in the Balcony

TRUMPETS: 5-5:30PM in the Chapel

Woodlands

Woodlands Bible Group meets each Tuesday at 10AM at the Woodlands at Furman in Brian and Mary's Apt 1208

Cottage Meetings

During the month of **September**, we will be having Cottage Meetings in order to spend time getting to know Pastor Brian and each other. We will also be sharing our hopes and dreams for Travelers Rest United Methodist Church. These Cottage Meetings will be held in people's homes: **Today** Noon Parlor of FLC; **September 18th**, 7PM, Bryan and Paula Catrons' home, 110 Bluff Ridge Road, Cleveland.

Sign up at trmethodist.net or in the Narthex.

Share and Care Chronic Pain Group

This groups offers help to those with chronic illness and/or pain in a safe, confidential, faith-based environment. Meets Tuesday, **September 19th** (3rd Tuesday of every month) at 10AM.

Contact Karen McCarty: (864)593-3507 or karengsc@att.net

TRUMC Prays!

And this Wednesday, **September 20th**, the prayer team invites everyone to join us in the parlor at 11AM. contact Pat Hansen (846-517-7291) for more info.

Stephen Ministry

This group provides a caring, nonjudgemental and confidential one-to-one relationship between a trained church member and a person experiencing a difficult time or transition in his or her life. They will meet **September 24th** from 2:30-5:30PM in FH 11 and ED 105 in the lower level of the Education Building. For more information, contact Patti Crenshaw at (864)380-8421 or patticrenshaw1@gmail.com

House Meetings for GOAL Justice Ministry Network

GOAL stands for Greenville for Accountable Leadership. Sign up for one of the following meetings to learn more about being an agent of change and justice in our area. You can sign up at trmethodist.net or in the Narthex.

Meetings are schedule for **September 20th**, at 7PM, Nancy Mauldin's home 10 Chukar Way, Greenville; **September 21st** at 10AM, Cliff and Janet Joens' home 203 Nolan Rd, Travelers Rest; or **September 25th** at 3PM, Grace Lyle's home 304 Scalybark Rd, Greenville. Questions contact Christine Matthews.

Pick up a copy of the latest Newsletter in the narthex, or go on line: trmethodist.net