

The Church at Worship

May 13, 2018

11:00 A.M.

Seventh Sunday of Easter



† Indicates the congregation shall stand.

We Gather To Meet God

Chiming of the Hour
News of the Church 10:55 a.m.
Brian Wright
Prelude Organ
Prelude on "Morning Song"
Fred Binckes
(This piece is based on Hymn #726)

† Greetings & Hymn of Praise No. 98 Brian Wright
To God Be the Glory TO GOD BE THE GLORY

† Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

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.

* universal

† Gloria Patri MEINEKE

***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.***

Recognition of Mothers

Prayers for the People Pastor Stan
Brian Wright

Responsive Reading from Psalm 1 Ed Scheff

Happy are those

who do not follow the advice of the wicked,

or take the path that sinners tread,

or sit in the seat of scoffers;

but their delight is in the law of the LORD,

and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees
planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season,
and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked will perish.

† Offertory Hymn No. 430

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Offering of Our Tithes & Gifts

Petit Offertoire

† Doxology

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.

Recognition of Confirmands

Anna Frances Alexander

Chaz Hudson

Bethany Screws

(Children Pre-K, Kindergarten & First Grades are invited to Children's)

Jay Taylor

David Whitting

Pastor Stan

MARYTON

Organ

Henri Mulet (1878 – 1967)

OLD 100th

Eric Hindmon

God Speaks Through His Word

Act of Praise

This I Pray

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:13

Sermon

"You Are The Salt Of The Earth"

Adult Choir

Dedicated to our confirmands

Pastor Stan

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We Respond To God's Word

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

† Closing Hymn No. 569 (v. 1,2&4)

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

Pastor Stan

MESSAGE

*Thank
you*

The Sandersville UMC youth would like to thank you
for all of your generous support during our Bake Auction.
Because of you we were able to provide enough funds for
First Love Kids to operate their food bank both June and July!
Thank you!"



Join us on May 20th to celebrate our seniors! We have four
High School graduates this year and the families have asked
us to all join together to celebrate this new chapter! A
covered dish lunch will follow the morning service.

The church will provide the main course.

Please **RSVP** with Felicia by **May 16th**.



Blue Bag Sunday

Don't forget to fill your Blue Bag
and leave it in Narthex.

My Mother's hands, so thin and work-worn,
Were loved by me as jewels, rare,
For they had rocked me in my cradle,
And, lovingly, they'd stroked my hair.
They worked for me, both night and morning;
They helped to smooth away my fears,
For never were these dear hands idle;
I think of them with love and tears!
My Mother's hands to me were precious:
I thought their beauty was sublime;
I felt no harm on earth could touch me
If they were near me all the time!

~Gertrude Tooley Buckingham, "My Mother's Hands" (1940s)



Flowers for Worship

The flowers in the sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
and in memory of our mothers

Edith Chappell McMaster and

Evelyn Havens Cale

by Mr. & Mrs. David McMaster.



In memory of
Betty Flury Beck
given by
Directors, Officers
and Employees
The Geo D. Warthen Bank
to the building fund.



Come join us for an exciting new
adventure at Rolling River Rampage
VBS 2018 and experience the
ride of a lifetime with God!
June 17-20, 2018 5:30-8:00 p.m.
Pre-K to 5th grade.

To register or volunteer go to:
[https://rrr.cokesburyvbs.com/
sandersvilleum](https://rrr.cokesburyvbs.com/sandersvilleum)

You can see Eric or Brittany
with any questions.

Next week at Sandersville UMC

Sunday, May 13

10:00 a.m. Sunday School+
11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary+
7:00 p.m. Brentwood's Baccalaureate
First Baptist Church

Monday, May 14

5:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, May 15

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, May 16

10:00 a.m. Newell S. Thompson Circle
4:00 p.m. B.O.L
6:00 p.m. Small Groups
7:00 p.m. Adult choir practice

*Nursery Provided

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Ed Scheff

Usher Captain

Tommy Holton

Acolytes

Addy Davis

Addyson Upton

Children's Church

Lauren Jeffords

Wynn Andrews

Children's Message

Recognition of Confirmands

Infant Nursery Volunteer

Leia Giddens

Toddler Nursery Volunteer

Alenah Moore

Oliver's Outreach

Randy & Bobbie Helton

& Bradley Tarbutton

Sound

Jon Moore

In Our Prayers

Our Church Family

Tarver Averett Billy Kay
Edna Bailey Dean McCaskill
Pete Booth Carolyn Sheppard
Ronnie Dorman
Randy Helton

ECF Residents:

Barbara Turner
Sue Durden

Home Bound:

Frances Miller

Carolyn Craft

Heritage Inn:

Idanne Buhler

Sarah Wilson

Tennille Assisted Living:

Carol Raines Vera Mimbs

Debbie Stanley

Pruitt Magnolia Manor (Moultrie GA):

JoAnn Marshall

Friends & Family of the Church

Lynn Henderson

(Betty Brett's daughter)

Elizabeth Renee Johnson

Renea Johnson

(Terry Veal's sister)

Mark Waldrip

(husband of Lynn Chapman Waldrip)

Robert Sheppard

Sandra Waters

(Debbie Wilcher's sister)

Bonnie Smith

(Phil Smith's mom)

Larry Mathis

Pam Stewart

Adam Smith

(Brittany Price's friends' son)

Charles Lee

Betty Brett

Shannon Everett

Jessie McWhorter

(Jessalyn Alexander's grandmother)

Casey Ogden

Allyson Maffett

Joy Lord

John Dickey

Tom Siepp

Pat Wolfe

Attendance & Stewardship

May 6, 2018

Sunday School	101
9:00 a.m. Chapel	31
11:00 a.m. Worship	142
Total Worship	173
Weekly Need:	\$ 10,588.75
Given This Week:	\$ 14,387.00
Year to Date Need:	\$ 190,597.50
Given Year to Date:	\$ 186,173.05
Pledged:	\$ 550,615.00

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What is Confirmation?

The word confirm means "to make stronger and more certain; to cause someone to believe more strongly."

In the act of confirmation, a young person is therefore confirming or making his or her faith stronger. In many United Methodist congregations, preparation for confirmation begins when youth enter their middle school years. The middle school years (6th-8th grades) are when young people begin to move from concrete thinking to abstract thinking and is when many people begin to make lifelong faith decisions. During these middle school years youth are seeking a sense of belonging. Belonging to the community of faith is an appropriate response to that developmental task.

Most United Methodist churches offer a formal process with a class or group leading to the ritual of confirmation for those who choose to receive it and are deemed ready to do so by their pastor. Confirmation in The United Methodist Church is a time of intentional preparation, it gives teens and tweens the opportunity to reflect on the most basic tenants of our faith and gives them a safe environment to ask questions and grapple with the divine truths and mysteries proclaimed by the church of Jesus Christ. Confirmation helps youth to investigate to depths of the faith and helps them begin to understand what it means to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ, and to make their first public profession of faith.

During this time young persons "make firm" what has gone before: God's prevenient grace, baptism, the teaching and witness of parents and other persons of faith, the teachings and life together in the church, the student's own growing faith. Youth are invited to claim for themselves the name Christian and the name United Methodist. We believe that Confirmation is a significant step in the journey of faith.

Rejoice with us today as **Anna Frances Alexander, Chaz Hudson, Bethany Screws, Jay Taylor and David Whittling** participate in this wonderful spiritual rite of passage.