

9/2: CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED: Labor Day

9/3: Communications Team Meeting (9:00 am)

9/4: Fellowship Adult Choir Rehearsal (6:30 pm)

9/5: TAG Group Meets (10:00 am)

Prayer in the Sanctuary (10:00 am)

9/6: First Friday Women's Coffee

Offsite at Inspire Coffee (10:00 am)

LET'S CONNECT!

Use the QR code to find Open Hearts UMC on social media and to register for upcoming events/programs!





MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

September 8 Blood Connection Blood Drive

September 12 Women's Ministry Fall Kickoff Dinner

September 15 Salkehatchie Sunday in Worship

Youth Ministry Tubing on Saluda River

September 21 Greenville Zoo Outing for Families September 23 Women's Fall Bible Study Kickoff (10:00 am)

October 12 OHUMC Property Work Day (Indoors & Grounds)





WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL KICKOFF DINNER

Join us for a meal and fellowship here at Open Hearts in Trinity Hall on September 12th at 6:00 pm. The meal is FREE: women of all ages are welcome to attend! We will also decorate cookies for women at Shepherd's Gate. RSVP via the QR code.



FAMILY OUTING TO GREENVILLE ZOO

Families are invited to meet at the Greenville Zoo at 10:00 am on September 21st to enjoy God's creation! We will meet at the zoo entrance. After we've enjoyed the zoo, we'll play on the Cleveland Park playground. Bring a picnic lunch and join us!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL BIBLE STUDY

Women of all ages are invited to join us on Monday mornings at 10:00 am for a Bible study entitled "12 Daring Women of the Bible". The study will begin on Monday, September 23rd and continue for six weeks. See Realm for more information! Come join us as we fellowship and grow our friendships—all are welcome!



YOUTH MINISTRY SALUDA RIVER TUBING

Join us on Sunday, September 15th! We will "float" at 4:00 pm. Open Hearts will purchase group tickets. Register and pay via the QR code.



LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

We are excited to share that we have all the hosts we need for the "Let's Break Bread Together" meals. Meals will take place in September and October. RSVP for our September gatherings on Realm via the QR code above! October gatherings will release mid-September.



BLOOD CONNECTION BLOOD DRIVE

Open Hearts UMC is proud to partner with The Blood Connection by hosting a blood drive on Sunday, September 8th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Donors will receive a \$40 e-giftcard and each donation saves up to 3 lives! Donors must have a photo ID, be at least 17 years old (or 16 with a signed parental permission form), and weigh at least 110 pounds. Walk-ins are welcome, but pre-registration is encouraged.



September 1st, 2024

Fifteenth Sunday following Pentecost

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We are glad you are here! Please register your attendance in the pew pad. Please note that services are livestreamed, recorded, and posted to our YouTube Channel. Nursery is available for ages 0-3; Children's Worship Activity Bags are available behind the organist and in the lobby to help your child worship with us. Children's Church is offered weekly for those Ages 4- 2nd grade following the Children's Message.

> (*) Stand as you are able (UMH) United Methodist Hymnal

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Karen Jones

PRELUDE

Voluntary, Part I

Anonymous, 18th century

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*OPENING HYMN (UMH 140)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Runyan/Chisholm

*OPENING PRAYER

Cori Steele

Creator of the heavenly lights, there is no shadow in your divine light. It remains unchanging across the eons, even as the stars come and go. You are our faithful creator, the Gardener of our lives. You plant your truth within us and inspire lives of caring and love. We honor and worship you. Amen.

***PSALTER** (UMH 819)

Psalm 99

Cori Steele

*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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Karen Jones

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*OFFERTORY HYMN (UMH 189)

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Willis/trans. Seiss

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Cori Steele

OFFERTORY

Meditation on "Come Christians, Join to Sing"

arr. Smith

Old 100th *DOXOLOGY (UMH 95)

> Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ve heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC How Day by Day Fellowship Adult Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pete Byford

> In lieu of Children's Church, children are invited to rejoin their families following the Children's Message so that they may participate in the sacrament of Communion.

*GOSPEL READING (NT 77)

Luke 14:7-24

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Check Your Guest List"

Rev. Karen Jones

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (UMH 12-15)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN (UMH 402) Lord, I Want to Be a Christian spiritual/arr. W.F. Smith

*BENEDICTION

Offering:

*CHORAL BENEDICTION Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place Wolfe

POSTLUDE Voluntary, Part II Anonymous, 18th c.

Please remain seated and silent until after the Postlude.

The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Beth Oney by Tish Oney.

PRESENCE AND GIFTS—AUGUST 25, 2024

ONLINE GIVING and TEXT

Sunday School Attendance: 108 Worship Attendance: 152

\$13,860.00

Online giving at: onrealm.org/openheartsUMC/give Text to give: Text OPENDOORS to 73256. We accept credit, debit, and checking.

WORSHIP

The color **GREEN** represents growth and is used during Ordinary Time in the Christian Year.

SERVING TODAY	SERVING NEXT WEEK
Eleanor Allen, Peter Mackinnon, Vickie Frazier, Beth Padgett, Jane Johnson, Tanya Pearson, Martha & Gary Judd	Tiby Weinstein, Jean Marshall, Debra Leeke, John Winn, Vaughan Overman, Jane Johnson, Alex Burgin, Martha and Gary Judd
Miles Loretta, Linda Sarratt, Jim Sarratt, Steve Thrailkill	Gary Judd, Susan Wright, Alex Burgin, Tiby Weinstein
Bill Pearson, Vaughan Overman	Tiby Weinstein, Gary Judd
Carol Wilson, Ashley Newton	Roy Williams, Jim Patterson, Jr.
Ashley Cheney	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Cori Steele	Theresa Clarke
Pete Byford	Jana Clack
NOT MEETING: Communion Sunday	Jana Clack, VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Zahria Stewart, VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Dani Russell, Janet Williams
Jane Johnson, John Chambers, Cori Steele, Hunter Richardson	N/A
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If you are interested in serving in a volunteer role above, please contact Membership@openheartsumcsc.org or Karen.Jones@openheartsumcsc.org.

If you are interested in sponsoring altar **flowers**, sign up on the Flower Chart posted by the office. Contact Jane Johnson at rjohnson2121@bellsouth.net to discuss details.

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