



THIS WEEK AT OHUMC:

- 2/23: Youth Bible Study (Youth Room - 6:30 pm)
- 2/25: Staff Meeting (Seekers Class - 1:00 pm)
- 2/25: Board of Stewards Meeting (Seekers Class - 5:30 pm)
- 2/26: Fellowship Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room - 7:00 pm)

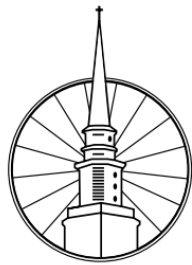


MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- Mar 2 Guest Preacher: Rev. Hillary Taylor, Exec. Director, South Carolinians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty
- Mar 2 Safe Sanctuary Training with Lunch
- Mar 3 Women’s Bible Study resumes
- Mar 4 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
- Mar 5 Ash Wednesday Service
- Mar 7 Women’s Ministry Coffee Gathering at Inspire Coffee
- Mar 9 Called Charge Conference after Worship

LET’S CONNECT!

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



OPEN HEARTS
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 23, 2025 Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We are glad you are here! Please register your attendance in the pew pad. Please note that services are live-streamed, recorded, and posted to our YouTube Channel. Nursery is available for ages 0-4; Children’s Worship Boxes are available behind the organist and in the lobby to help your child worship with us.

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

GREETING Rev. Karen Jones

ANNOUNCEMENTS Jana Clack
Director of Discipleship

PRELUDE Invention No. 13 in A minor, BWV 784 J.S. Bach

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*OPENING HYMN (UMH 108) God Hath Spoken by the Prophets Williams/Briggs

*OPENING PRAYER Doris Loretta
Holy One, we come together to pause, pray, and praise. Be with us in this place, that we may touch your mercy. You provide for us; help us claim the power of your love for our lives. Help us to measure our grace, shaking it together with forgiveness and give them to others as you would have us do. Amen.

*PSALTER (UMH 772) Psalms 37:1-11 Doris Loretta

*GLORIA PATRI Doris Loretta
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. Jones

LORD’S PRAYER (UMH 895)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE David Stanley

If your child would like to give an offering, they may bring it up at this time.
Children in 4K through 5th grade are invited to attend Sunday Bible School after the Children’s Message.
They will return to the Sanctuary following the Benediction for pickup.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1 MEANINGFUL LUNCH EXCURSION
The S.H.A.R.E. Committee encourages you to enjoy lunch at Jasmine Kitchen, located at 503 Augusta St, this week, from 11:30-2:30.

2 WOMEN’S SPRING BIBLE STUDY
Ladies, join our Bible Study--“*Daring Women of the Bible*”. Meetings begin on Monday, March 3, from 10-11:30 am in the Merritt Room (A09). The book is available on Amazon. Questions--contact Martha Judd. Register via the QR code.

3 MEN’S MINISTRY MARCH DINNER
Men are invited to gather on March 11th at Topsy Taco in Greer at 6:00 pm. Contact Miles Loretta for info. (Info in REALM)

4 WOMEN’S MINISTRY COFFEE GATHERING
Women are invited to gather for fellowship on March 7th at Inspire Coffee (1433 Cleveland St.) at 10:00 am. Contact Donna Wilson for more info! (Info in REALM)

5 HOMELESSNESS-AN INVITE FROM S.H.A.R.E.
An advance screening of the film “No Address” will be held at the Camelot Theater on Feb. 27th at 7 pm. A panel discussion will follow. For tickets and info, see Salvation Army on Facebook.


6 MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERING
On February 28th, volunteers are needed from 7:45 - 10:00 am at MOW of Greenville. Contact Pam Alexander Powell with questions. (Info in REALM)

7 SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING
For the protection of children, youth, vulnerable adults and volunteers, our Spring Safe Sanctuary training will be on March 2nd at 12:15pm in Trinity Hall. Lunch and childcare will be provided. RSVP on Realm. Training is required annually.

8 CALLED CHARGE CONFERENCE
On March 9th at 12:30 pm in the sanctuary, we will have a special called charge conference to affirm the calling God has placed on Jana Clack and Sandy MacMillan for ordained ministry. The Board of Stewards will be the only voting members, but the meeting is open to anyone to attend. We hope that you will be present to affirm and celebrate our candidates, and stay for light refreshments afterwards. We also will celebrate Natalie Buck, who is in a different stage of the candidacy and ordination process.

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| *OFFERTORY HYMN (UMH 389) | Freely, Freely | Owens |
| OFFERTORY PRAYER | | Doris Loretta |
| OFFERTORY | Lord, We Praise You (with “Praise Him! Praise Him!”) | Arr. Tornquist |
| *DOXOLOGY (UMH 95) | | Old 100th |
| <i>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.</i> | | |
| CHOIR ANTHEM | O Laughing Light | Sims |
| *GOSPEL READING (NT 30) | Matthew 26:36-41 | Rev. Jones |
| <i>The Word of God for the People of God.</i> Thanks be to God. | | |
| MESSAGE | | Dennis Gillan <i>Founder, Half a Sorrow Foundation</i> |
| *AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UMH 883) | A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada | Rev. Jones |
| *RECESSIONAL HYMN (UMH 102) | Now Thank We All Our God | Crüger/Rinkart trans. Winkworth/arr. Mendelssohn |
| *CHORAL BENEDICTION | Sanctify Me | Oney |
| POSTLUDE | Sinfonia No. 13 in A Minor, BWV 799 | Bach |

The flowers on the altar today are given by Jim Patterson, Sr. and Jim Patterson, Jr. to the glory of God and in memory of Joyce Patterson, wife and mother.




In Memoriam

James Boyd Way

May 10, 1938 - January 10, 2025

Open Hearts United Methodist Church extends Christian sympathy to family and friends of Jim, including his wife Susan Way. May perpetual light shine on Jim and tender mercies surround his family.




Living Out Our Baptismal Covenant

Open Hearts United Methodist Church cultivates a welcoming community – united in God’s love, guided by scripture, and empowered by the Holy Spirit – to live out Jesus Christ's teachings.

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| PRESENCE AND GIFTS: FEBRUARY 16TH | ONLINE GIVING and TEXT |
| Sunday School Attendance: 97 | Online giving at: |
| Worship Attendance: 133 | onrealm.org/openheartsumcsc/give |
| | Text to give: Text OPENDOORS to 73256. |
| Offering: \$12,792.25 | We accept credit, debit, and checking. |

| WORSHIP | | |
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| The color GREEN represents our growth in Christian discipleship. | | |
| ROLE | SERVING TODAY | SERVING NEXT WEEK |
| Greeters | Lynne Shackelford, Bill Adkins, John Winn, Beth Padgett, Jan Paige, Mary Ashley Adkins, Susan Wright, Jane Johnson | Eleanor Allen, David Atkinson, Peter MacKinnon, Mark Whisenhunt, Vickie Frazier, Jennifer Hincapie, Tanya Pearson, Martha & Gary Judd |
| Ushers | Steve Thrailkill, Beth Padgett, John Winn, Bill Adkins | Miles Loretta, Steve Thrailkill, Jim and Linda Sarratt |
| Tellers | Steve Anderson, Sally Adkins | Bill Pearson, Vaughan Overman |
| A/V | Miles Loretta, Dottie Pittman | Ashley Newton, Carol Wilson |
| Acolyte | Jim Patterson, Jr. | Hunter Richardson |
| Liturgist | Doris Loretta | Natalie Buck |
| Children’s Message | David Stanley | Kitchens Family |
| Sunday Bible School | Amanda & Ava Youngblood, Julia Turlington | Karl and Margie Schnelle |
| Nursery | Meredith Robinson, Janet Williams | Meredith Robinson, Audrey Miller |
| Communion | N/A | Jane Johnson, Rev. Hillary Taylor, Joan Gaulden, Isabel Stringfellow |
| 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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9:00 am—1:00 pm
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Audrey Miller, Meredith Robinson, & Zahria Stewart
Nursery Ministry Staff

Blake Wolfe & Julian Conrad
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