

4/6: Confirmation Class (Offsite- St. Paul UMC - 1:00 pm)

Youth Bible Study (Kitchens' home - 6:30 pm) 4/7: Women's Bible Study (Merritt Room - 10:00 am)

S.H.A.R.E. Committee Meeting (Seekers Classroom - 6:00 pm)

4/8: OHUMC Staff Meeting (Seekers Classroom - 1:00 pm)

Women's Ministry Dinner with GirlUp GVL (Trinity Hall - 6:00 pm)

4/9: Fellowship Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room - 7:00 pm) OHUMC Trustees (Seekers Classroom - 11:30 am)

Young Adult Burgers & Brews (Offsite - Southernside Brewing - 6:00 pm)



MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Apr 13 Palm Sunday Worship (11:00 am)

Apr 17 Maundy Thursday: Tenebrae Service (6:00 pm)

Apr 19 Easter Eggstravaganza (10:00 am)

Apr 20 Easter Sunday Worship (8:30 am & 11:00 am)

Apr 20 Easter Sunday Catered Lunch (12:30 pm)



BUILDING ACCESS ON SUNDAYS

The Welcome Center is the primary entrance each Sunday. It is open from 9:00 - 11:15 AM with greeters present. Anyone entering the building on Sundays after 11:15 AM must use a Narthex door (the end of the church closest to Augusta St). The head usher will unlock the Narthex door to provide access as needed. The back/lower level door is only open from 9:30 - 10:00 AM each Sunday. For questions, please contact our Church Administrator (admin@openheartsumcsc.org).



We are excited to see our congregation grow! As attendance has increased, parking has become a challenge. We ask everyone, for fire and safety reasons, to please park only in designated spaces. Overflow parking is available on Cammer Ave and Rice Street.



EASTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need extra volunteers to cover responsibilities- especially ushers, greeters, and parking attendants for the 8:30 AM service. Please contact Jenna Robinson or Miles Loretta to volunteer. (Info in REALM)



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







PRE-FILLED EASTER EGGS NEEDED!

We're looking for Easter Eggs filled with nutfree candy for our Easter Eggstravaganza on April 19th! Bring donations to the church office Monday-Thursday, from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.



CHURCHWIDE CATERED EASTER LUNCHEON

Join your church family for a catered lunch on Easter Sunday in Trinity Hall. We will be having typical Easter menu items like mac and cheese, chicken, green beans and more! Feel free to bring a dessert to share. RSVPs are due by April 13th. Register in REALM.



HOLY WEEK PRAYER STATIONS

Interactive, self-paced prayer stations will be set up in the Sanctuary from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM during Holy Week (April 14th-18th). Enter through the church office (back) door using the Ring doorbell.



April 6, 2025 5th Sunday in Lent

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 0-4; 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 Sarabande (from English Suite No. 2 in A minor) J.S. Bach

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN (UMH 126) Sing Praise To God Who Reigns Above

Schütz/trans. Cox/arr. Bell

*OPENING PRAYER

Cori Steele Richardson

God of Love, you know our lives inside and out - the times of joy and laughter, and the times of loss and pain. Jesus, our sibling, you wept at the grave of Lazarus and then you celebrated at the dinner table with your resurrected friend. Be with us in times of plenty and times of want, and let us rejoice in your presence, for you see us and care for us. In the name of the Embracing Spirit, we pray. Amen.

***PSALTER** (UMH 847)

Psalm 126

Cori Steele Richardson

The congregation will follow the choir in singing Musical Response #2.

*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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Lani Johnson

> 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.

*OFFERTORY HYMN (UMH 448)

Go Down, Moses

Trad. Spiritual/arr. WF Smith

(verses 1, 3, 5, 6, 11)

OFFERTORY PRAYER Cori Steele Richardson

OFFERTORY Leaning on the Everlasting Arms Arr. Tornquist

*DOXOLOGY (UMH 95) Old 100th

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.

CHOIR ANTHEM Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee Powell

*GOSPEL READING (NT 21) Matthew 19:16-29 Rev. Jones

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Celebration of Discipline: Simplicity" Rev. Jones

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (UMH 12)

LORD'S PRAYER (UMH 895)

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you 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.

*RECESSIONAL HYMN (UMH 269) Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

Folk Melody/Hernaman/ arr. Buchanan & Webb

BENEDICTION Rev. Jones

*CHORAL BENEDICTION Surely the Presence of the Lord Wolfe

POSTLUDE Bourrée (from English Suite No. 2 in A minor) Bach

The flowers on the altar today are given by the Yarborough family to the glory of God and in memory of Braxton Cutchin.

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.

PRESENCE AND GIFTS: MARCH 30th ONLINE GIVING and TEXT

Sunday School Attendance: 99 Online giving at:

Worship Attendance: 178 onrealm.org/openheartsUMC/give

Text to give: Text OPENDOORS to 73256.

Offering: \$9,995 We accept credit, debit, and checking.

Total Offering for March: \$43,971

Total Designated Gifts Received 1st Qtr: \$114,591

WORSHIP

The color **PURPLE** is used during Lent to symbolize penance and sacrifice.

ROLE	SERVING TODAY	SERVING NEXT WEEK
Greeters	Eleanor Allen, David Atkinson, Peter MacKinnon, Mark Whisenhunt, Vickie Frazier, Jennifer Hincapie, Tanya Pearson, Margaret Clayton, Cori & Hunter Richardson	Tiby Weinstein, Debra Leeke, John Winn, Jane Johnson, Vaughan Overman, Alex Burgin, Martha & Gary Judd
Ushers	Miles Loretta, Steve Thrailkill, Jim & Linda Sarratt	Alex Burgin, Gary Judd, Susan Wright, Tiby Weinstein
Tellers	Bill Pearson, Vaughan Overman	Tiby Weinstein, Gary Judd
A/V	Dottie Pittman, Carol Wilson	Randy Clack, Karl & Margie Schnelle
Acolyte	Lani Johnson	Kate Kitchens
Liturgist	Cori Steele Richardson	Theresa Clarke
Children's Message	Lani Johnson	Kitchens Family
Sunday Bible School	Sarah Moseley, Wendy Thrailkill	Amanda & Ava Youngblood, Evelyn Rogers
Nursery	Meredith Robinson	Meredith Robinson
Communion	Jane Johnson, Theresa Clarke, Janet & Roy Williams	N/A

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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OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 am—1:00 pm Monday—Thursday

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