

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

Prelude

The prelude is an invitation to enter into God's presence with thanksgiving and into God's courts with praise. As the organist begins please listen quietly and allow the music to lead us into God's eternal presence, and prepare us to worship the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Procession of the Cross and Light

The cross symbolizes Christ crucified and risen and the light symbolizes the presence of God inviting us to prepare for worship.

Welcome

Military Honors

Opening Litany

Psalm 126:1-6

Rev. Bryson Williams

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.

**Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;**

then they said among the nations,
"The Lord has done great things for them."

**The Lord has done great things for us;
we are glad.**

Restore our fortunes, O Lord,
like the watercourses in the Negeb!

**May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy!**

Those who go forth weeping,
bearing the seed for sowing,

**shall come home with shouts of joy,
carrying their sheaves.**

PRAISE AND ADORATION OF GOD

Hymn 196

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Affirmation From 1 Corinthians and Colossians

Rev. Williams

This is the good news
which we have received,
in which we stand,
and by which we are saved:

**Christ died for our sins,
was buried,
was raised on the third day,
and appeared first to the women,
then to Peter and the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.**

**We believe Jesus is the Christ,
the Anointed One of God,
the firstborn of all creation,
the firstborn from the dead,
in whom the fullness of God
was pleased to dwell
by the power of the Spirit.**

**Christ is the head of the body, the church,
and by the blood of the cross
reconciles all things to God. Amen.**

Response of Praise

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.**

Anthem and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Light of Joy

Narration: Arlene Hull

RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

New Testament Reading *1 Thessalonians 5:16-24*

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Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Williams

**Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom
come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day
our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who
trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us
from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

Special Music

In the Bleak Mid Winter

Mike McFee & Marie Lewis

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Gospel Reading

Luke 1:39-56

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Sermon

The Weary World Rejoices

Rev. Dr. Rebecca Bruff

SENDING FORTH INTO GOD'S WORLD

Hymn 240

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Benediction

Postlude

~Please wear a mask and maintain social distancing at all times.

~We will remain seated during the singing of hymns.

*~Please fill out tear off on your bulletin and place in offering plate as you leave so we
have a record of who attended. Take your bulletin with you as you leave.*

~A congregational photograph will be taken as well so we can document who attended.

Prayer Concerns

Information for the Ministers

Items for The Carteret

Connection

COMMUNICATION SHEET

Guests

Name _____
Service Attended:
8:30am _____ 10:30am _____
Address _____
City/State _____
Zip _____
Phone (home) _____
Phone (cell) _____
E-mail _____

Please circle all that apply:

- First time guest
- Repeat guest
- New to area
- Visiting with family/friends
- Would like more information about CSUMC
- Interested in Sunday School
- Would like a call from minister
- Would like to join CSUMC
- Add to mailing list
- Add to email list

Members

Name _____
Service Attended:
8:30am _____ 10:30am _____

**Please let us know of
address, phone or email changes.**

Address _____
City/State _____
Zip _____
Phone (home) _____
Phone (cell) _____
E-mail _____

*Please complete both sides, detach
and place in offering plate.*

The poinsettias are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. McLeod by their family.

The Advent wreath is given to the glory of God and prayers for peace on earth, goodwill toward men.

The wreaths on the front doors of the Church and the Wesley building door are given to the glory of God and the gift of His Son, Our Savior, Christ the Lord by the Ashmore Family.

The wreaths on the Sanctuary walls are given to the glory of God and in memory of Hal Holliday and Louis Holliday by Gayle Holliday.

OUR STEWARDSHIP

I will be loyal to the United Methodist Church and uphold it with my prayers, my presence, my gifts, my service and my witness.

OUR PRAYERS

As the bulletin was prepared: **Beaufort Memorial** Sarah Caldwell, Rich Manuilow
Home Buddy Clark, Connie and Hugh Folk, Barbara Garrison, Hoyt Graham, Jim Hicks, Gayle Holliday, Ray James, Christine Jones, Forrest Jones, Jan Jones, Becky Lapp, May Lepionka, Marilyn MacKinnon, Lori Mangano, Sandy Manuilow, Hilda McMillan, Linda Oliva, Hazel Rose, Elsie White
Beaufort Nursing and Rehab Rob Black
Methodist Oaks Martha Smith
Sprenger Health Care Jackie Black, Betty Haigh
Summit Place Kathrine Jacobson
Wesley Commons, Greenwood Betty Elkins

OUR PRESENCE

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| Worship | 8:30am | 33 |
| | 10:30am | 78 |

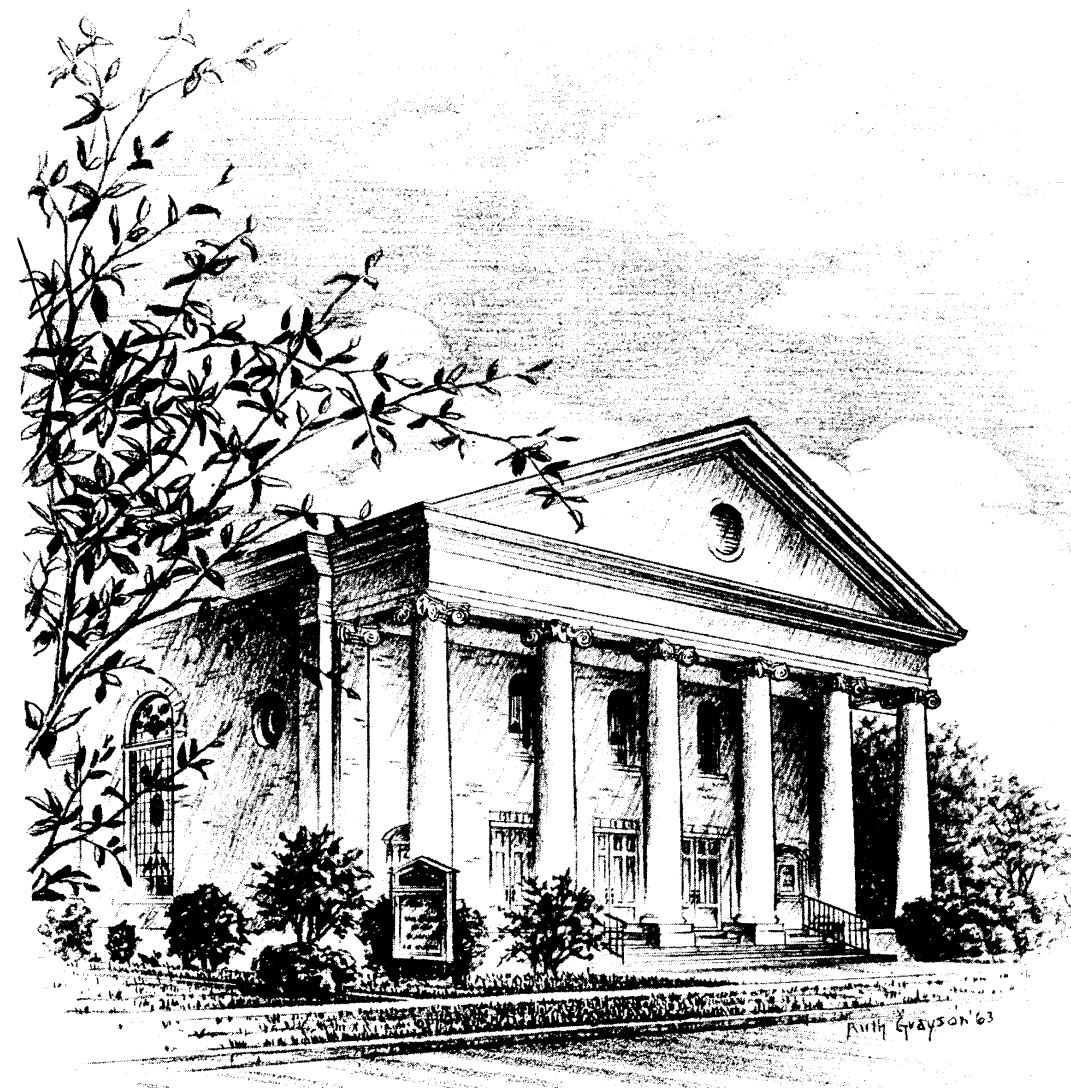
OUR GIFTS

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| Needed Each Week | \$ 11,168.32 | Received Last Week | \$ 20,159.00 |
| Budget Needs Y-T-D | \$ 524,911.04 | Received Y-T-D | \$ 526,045.78 |

OUR SERVICE

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| Ushers | 8:30am | Cliff Wimberly, Lionel Cabaniss |
| | 10:30am | Allen Farley |
| Acolytes | 10:30am | Wade Keyserling, Lilyana Moody |
| Advent Wreath | 8:30am | Cliff Wimberly |
| | 10:30am | June Stevenson, Lynn and Stacy Stratton |
| Liturgist | | Rev. Bryson Williams |

Carteret Street United Methodist Church



Welcome to Carteret Street United Methodist Church

Welcome to Carteret Street United Methodist Church. We greet you in the name of Jesus Christ and are glad you have come to worship with us. We invite you to let us know of your presence today by completing the Communication Sheet attached to this bulletin. Detach the Communication Sheet and place it in the offering plate as you depart. If you need assistance with a hearing device, please see an usher.

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