



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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117 Third Street, Cheraw, SC 29520

"A Church with a Heart, in the Heart of Cheraw"

MARCH 31, 2024

Reverend Keith Stewart

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

EASTER SUNDAY - WHITE

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024

REBUILDING THE ALTAR FOR EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

CHIMING OF THE HOUR		11:00 AM
PRELUDE	“Because He Lives” “Now the Green Blade Riseth”	Handbell Choir
CHORAL INTROIT	“Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise”	LLANFAIR
†HYMN 302	“Christ the Lord is Risen Today” ~ <i>The congregation will stand and sing</i> ~	EASTER HYMN
OPENING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER		Pastor Keith
CHILDREN'S MOMENT		Pastor Keith
PSALTER PAGE 837- 838 PSALM 116, Response 1		Joey Mills
†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881	“Apostles Creed”	Joey Mills
†GLORIA PATRI 71	“Glory Be to the Father” <i>“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.”</i>	GREATOREX
†HYMN 308	“Thine Be the Glory”	JUDAS MACCABEUS
OFFERTORY	“The Strife Is O'er” <i>Played by brass & organ</i>	VICTORY
†DOXOLOGY	“When I Survey” <i>“Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.”</i>	HAMBURG
†OFFERTORY PRAYER		Pastor Keith
ANTHEM	“Hallelujah Chorus” (According to tradition, the congregation stands during the singing of the Hallelujah Chorus.) <i>“Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah! The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ, and of His Christ. And He shall reign for ever and ever. King of kings, and Lord of lords. Hallelujah!”</i>	G. F. Handel

†SCRIPTURE READING	John 20: 1-18	Pastor Keith
SERMON	<i>"From Darkness to Light"</i>	Pastor Keith
†HYMN 303	"The Day of Resurrection"	LANCASHIRE
†BENEDICTION		Pastor Keith
†ORGAN POSTLUDE	"Grand Choeur in B-flat"	Dubois

†Denotes the congregation to please stand

~ If you are visiting with us today, please take a moment to sign the visitor's card found in your pew rack. We are so glad you joined us for worship and hope that you feel at home here at First Church. We would love to see you again! ~

~ The Lilies placed on the alter today are given to the Glory of God on Easter Sunday to commemorate the fourteenth anniversary of the Ezer Sunday school Class by its classmates. ~

~ Today, we welcome and extend our gratitude to our guest brass musicians of the USC School of Music Graduate department in Columbia, SC. Thank you so much for traveling to Cheraw to provide brass accompaniment for our service today! ~

Instrumentalists:

Patrick Mackey, Trumpet I

Kyler Smith, Trumpet II

Trey Hogan, Trombone

Brady Moffett, Bass Trombone

~ 30 years have passed since the Chancel Choir has sung the Hallelujah Chorus under this roof. We consider this a tremendous feat of conquering the Hallelujah Chorus (again)! May our words and praises bring honor and glory to our risen Lord. And He shall reign forever and ever! ~

Those to keep in **PRAYER**-

Our President, Congress, Governors, Mayors, State and local employees, all health care workers, EMT's, all who defend our Nation, Jim Bennett, Mary Snookie Lomas, Shep Straughn, Betty Thrailkill, Mary Burr, Jody Reid, Martha Griggs, Katie Chapman, Thomas McKinnon, Ellison Outen, Curtis Jones, Meredith Creech, Tony Thrailkill, Kathy Treadaway (friend of Henrietta Kollitz), Shelton Rumph, Emily Marsh, Carolyn Turner (Amanda Carabo's mother), Pam Walter (Angie Smith's cousin), Pal Moore, Joanne Spivey, Scott Hunter, Jimmy Duffy, Shannon Johnson, The family of Beverly McDuffie, Gailya Wilson, Rev. Dean Parker, Chris Thrailkill, Barbara Dickson, Ron Beck, and Joann Spivey. **Note: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

CHURCH REPORTS & INFO.

Weekly Amount Needed: **\$5,928.83.**
Received week of March 24TH : **\$4,450.83**
Sunday School Attendance March 24th: **51**
Worship Attendance March 24th: **104**
Greeters: **Terry & Joe Stanton**
Greeter next Sunday: **Betty Hurst**
Liturgist Next Week: **Rhett Butler**
Head Usher: **David McLean**
Acolyte: **Renie Seel**
Crucifer: **Ashton Becker**
Nursery: **Farah Lewis & Choles Reed**
Sound System Operator: **Holly Miles**
Video Tech: **Bryson Hunter**
Website: www.cherawfirstumc.org
Food Pantry Item: **Peanut Butter & Canned Fruit**
McArn Food Bank Item: **Canned Soup, Beef Stew, & Instant Potatoes**

CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY *March 31*

7:00am Sunrise Service
10:00am Sunday School
10:30am Choir Rehearsal
11:00am Worship Service
No meeting Youth & Fireflies

MONDAY *April 1*

9:00am-1:30pm Church Office closed

TUESDAY *April 2*

9:00am-1:30pm Church Office Open
10:30am-12:00pm Mat Making

WEDNESDAY *April 3*

9:00am-1:30pm Church Office Open
NO Rehearsal Handbell Rehearsal
NO Rehearsal Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY *April 4*

9:00am-1:30pm Church Office Closed

FRIDAY *April 5*

Church Office Closed

SUNDAY *April 7*

10:00am Sunday School
10:15am Choir Rehearsal
11:00am Worship Service

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

† The Church Office has tickets for the BBQ if you need to purchase or pick some up.

† The Church office will be closed on Monday April 1st in recognition of the Easter Holiday.

† I would like to thank everyone who has helped these past few weeks with the Lenten lunches. If you made several pots of soup, made sandwiches, desserts and helped with setting up and cleaning up, thank you! None of this would have been possible without all of you jumping in and helping. It was truly a team effort. Many thanks to Renie Seel for her beautiful flowers on the tables and all of her help and to Zenda Rushing for all her help. It was a beautiful time of a community coming together. A love offering was collected each week for McArn food bank, and we collected a total of \$1,395.86. Jenny Keefe



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