#### 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

October 31, 2021

## The liturgical color is green symbolizing the time when we remember discipleship.

We lift up prayers for the community, our church family, staff, ministers, and for the work of Christ in the world.

**Prelude** "How Lovely Shines the Morning Star" arr. Michael Praetorius

(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God. Let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative.)

Welcome Rev. Dr. George K. Howle 8:30

Rev. Meredith M. Dark 11:00

Charles Pinkus, Scoutmaster **Boy Scout Moment** 

\* Call to Worship "Open Our Eyes, Lord" Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.

Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

\* Opening Hymn "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" UMH #569

\* Affirmation of Faith Rev. Dark | UMH #881

\* The Gloria Patri **UMH #70** 

**Pastoral Prayer** Rev. Dark

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Children's Message

Yvonne Brittain 8:30 Kate Horsley 11:00

**UMH #453** 

11:00 | Children 3 years old to 1st grade are invited to attend Little Church. Please pick them up following the service in room 201, Wesley Bldg.

# Celebrating Grace by Returning God's Tithes and Giving Our Offerings

(Offering Stewards will come forward at this time)

"How Shall They Hear the Word of God" Offertory arr. D.S. Ferguson \* The Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **UMH #95** 

Rev. Dark \* Offertory Prayer

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

\* Hymn of Preparation \* Sermon Text Mark 12:28-34 Sherrill Allen 8:30

Rev. Dr. Norman C. Bennett, Jr. 11:00

"Reach Out to Jesus" Anthem arr. Danner

"The Greatest Commandment" Rev. Howle 8:30 Sermon Rev. Dark 11:00

"They'll Know We are Christians" TFWS #2223 \* Closing Hymn

\* Benediction Rev. Howle 8:30 Rev. Dark 11:00

**Postlude** "Adagio" arr. Charles H. Rinck The Steeple Highlights (The full newsletter may be found on the church website.)

**REMINDER**—If you have not completed your Commitment Card for 2022, please do so and return it to the church office or place in the offering plate during worship. Thank you.

Today in 11AM Contemporary Worship, our third grade children will receive their Bibles.

Sunday evening Dinner at 5PM, Wesley Center; program at 5:45PM—10/31 Menu: Pizza & salad Programs: Oct 31, Nov 7—Rowan Crews, series on "The Spirit of Methodism" (also **Nov 7—5:30PM Usher Training**, Sanctuary, adults and Jr/Sr High Youth)

**UMW Thanksgiving Celebration**—for all women of the church, members AND non-members. Join us for fellowship on Wednesday, Nov 2, 4:30PM, Wesley Center.

All Saints' Sunday, Nov 7—Please stop by the Sanctuary Narthex or Wesley Center vestibule to affix bells to the All Saints' Banners for loved ones who are now members of the Church Triumphant. Each banner will be carried into each worship service on Nov. 7th.

Good Grief Book Study—timeless wisdom for all who have lost loved ones. To register, please contact Rev. Meredith, mmdark@umcsc.org, or 843-448-7164. Book/\$8. Study Schedule: Wednesdays at 2:00PM in the Chapel; Nov 3, 10, 17, Dec 1, 8. Details in The Steeple.

Coat Drive to benefit Help4Kids—last year we donated over 500 children/youth winter coats. This year we hope for the same results—WITH YOUR HELP! Need New coats, children ages K-12 grades. Collection bins are located in the church office or Sanctuary narthex.

NEEDED—servers for Sunday/Monday fellowship meals—to sign up, please contact Rhonda Singleton, volunteers@fumcmb.org. Sundays: Nov 14, Dec 12; or Mondays: Nov 8, 15, Dec 6, 13.

Advent Study—"The Heart that Grew Three Sizes"—weekly beginning Nov 28 & Dec 2; Book/\$13. To register, please contact Jennifer Donkle, donkle@fumcmb.org. Details in *The Steeple*.

Lautrelle Merchant Circle fundraiser—RADA Cutlery—to benefit missions. Order forms are in the church office. Order by November 8th; delivery before Thanksgiving.

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, Nov. 7th. Please remember to turn clocks BACK one hour on Saturday night, Nov. 6th.



for giving

Give electronically with a cell phone. Scan the QR Code with the phone's camera, tap Scan QR code the link at the top of the screen to open VENMO to give.

The Flowers that beautify our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our son, Larry Edward Gates III, on his 42nd birthday by Linda and Larry Gates.

Flowers are needed for the following dates: Dec. 19; Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30. To place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Julian in the church office, 843-448-7164 or jennifer@fumcmb.org.

We welcome our guests today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together.

Traditional Worship may be viewed Live on Facebook at 8:30AM, Contemporary Worship at 11AM, on the website (fumcmb.org), on mobile app, or on FOX TV (ch 7) Sundays at 10AM (one week delay).

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE on the Pew Pads. Please use personal discretion for Masks and Distancing in all church buildings and be respectful of others. Masks recommended.

#### Assisting in Worship

#### **GREETERS**

8:30 Front Kathi & Cam McCarl 8:30 Broadway Jan Haga 8:30 Office Jean Clemmons

11:00 Front Lesa & Geoff Jones 11:00 Broadway Sharri Hammond 11:00 Office Sandra Nystrom

### **USHERS**

8:30 Toby Ward, Harold Branton: Ann Andrews, Ron Andrews, Jerry Champion, Kevin Cribb, Greg Clemmons, Claylene Gore, Judy Hall, Roger Hall, Sylvia Harmon, Dennis Neptune, Arne Pedersen, Gene Singleton, Judy Winn, Tom Winn.

11:00 Annette Willett: Denise Daniels, Glen Daniels, Carol Ann Felts, Ronnie Felts, Dabney Joyner, John Poupore, Beth Rozier, Jim Rozier, Dennis Ruby, Ed Willett

**ACOLYTES** 8:30 Sully Merchant 11:00 Summer Stewart

**BIBLE BEARERS 8:30** Walker Brittain 11:00 TBD **CRUCIFERS** 8:30 Reagan McQueen 11:00 Ethan Gildner

> 8:30 TBD **AUDIO** 11:00 Scott Bowen

