Welcome Our Visitors

We are excited that you have joined us for worship. We pray that God will bless you and unite us in praise. Please fill out the visitor's card located in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate.

Restrooms: The restrooms are located through the doors to the left and right of the choir loft.

Hearing assistance devices are available. Just ask an usher.

Nursery is provided downstairs (use the right door by the organ) during Sunday School and Worship for ages birth to five years.

Weekly Growth in Grace

- Sunday School starts at 9:45 a.m. The adult class is located through the door to the right of the choir loft. Turn right, go down the hall, second door on the left. K-2nd grade children meet downstairs in the back room to the left off the social hall. 3rd-5th grade children meet in the room to the right off the social hall.
- UM Youth Fellowship, ages 12-18, meet Sunday nights from 5:30-7:30 at Lawrence Chapel UMC fellowship hall.

Choir Practice is Sunday at 9:30 a.m. In the choir room.

Bible Study meets Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the parsonage, 203 Joseph Street. Central

Prayer List Ann Hooper, Katherine Jones, Dontriel Adams, Andrew



Springer, Terri Lee, Wayne Kristie, Greg & Sheila and Lance, The Family of Sybil Miller, Becky Guffey, Rebecca Carson, Charlie Glover, Terry Handegan, Maude Todd, Gerry Smith, Debi Culler, Elizabeth Martel, Neil Florio, Anne Lewis, Nancy Wilkinson, John Marshall, Amy

Hunter, Tommy Barker, Les Neville, Jim Cunningham, Jennifer Grannan, Gary Arney.

Homebound: Bobby Garrett, Golda Noblitt, Robert Arrowwood, and Frances Reid

Missionaries: Kat Laun

Active military service: John Holmes - Ft. Bliss; Alex Martin - Virginia; Amanda Chivers Nebraska: Chris Trumbower, Josh Trumbower - Ft, Hood: Derek McDonald, Jordon Cox - Kuwait; Travis Wilbanks - Arizona;-Retired; Wayne Smith, John Youngblood, Jr - Alaska

Please leave a message in the offering plate for those that need to be added or removed from the prayer list.

Phone directories can be found on the credenza at the back of the church.

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Eleventh Sunday After Penecost August 5th, 2018

Rev. Gene Aiken. Pastor Mrs. Lynn Martin, Lay Leader Mr. Malek McDuffie, Music Director

"Those who trust in the Lord are like Mt. Zion which cannot be shaken but endures forever." Psalm 125:1

Order of Worship

* The congregation is invited to stand as you are able.

 \sim GATHERING MUSIC FOR GATHERING AND ENTRY OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

OPENING PRAYER

*SONG OF PRAISE.."Word of God, Come Down on Earth"...Hymnal 182

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*GATHERING SONG....."Lord I lift your name on high".....TFWS 2088

~WORD AND RESPONSE~

RESPONSIVE READING.....Psalm 51:1-13Hymnal 785

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH......Apostle's Creed......Hymnal 881 I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S MOMENT.....Children May Come to the Altar

~ THANKSGIVING ~

OFFERTORY

* DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*SERMON READING	Mark 5:21-43	NRSV 39
SERMON	"The Healing Power"	
SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Great ThanksgivingHymnal 13		
Serving the Bread and Cup		

~ SENDING ~

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Altar flowers are offered to the Glory of God and in honor of Sharon and Ansel Miller by the family of Lee Arthur Johnson.

Last Sunday for School Supply Collecting August 12th

On August 12th John & Kristine Reeves will host a pool party for the Children of the church & their parents. It will start at **3:00p.m**. that afternoon with a meal afterwards. Hot dogs & Drinks will be provided by the Reeves. Parents are asked to please bring side dishes! See you there!

We are beginning our **collection of school supplies** for the **Central Academy of the Arts**. You can find a school supply list online. Tish Goode, the principal at Central Academy of the Arts, said the items needed the most are: crayons, construction paper, Clorox wipes, dray erase markers, pencils, erasers, scissors, and lots and lots of tissues. We are going to collect the times by **Sunday August 12th** and deliver them on **Monday August 13th**.

Nominations Committee at 6:30 pm August 13th

We will have our annual **Blessing of the Backpacks** on **Sunday August 19th** the day before school starts for the students.

August 26, 2018, is the date for the Tailgate and Water Day! Mark your calendars and we will have more details soon!

Clemson Community has a shortage of many food items. Children are home for the summer and families need more food during this time. We would greatly appreciate donations of the following: Juice, flour, cornmeal, canned or powdered milk, spaghetti sauce, tomato paste, and any canned vegetables (with the exception of green beans, we have a large supply of them!) Thank you for your continued support. Clemson Community Care depends on your generous donations!