

Prelude "How Can I Keep from Singing?" arr. Janet Vogt

Welcome and Announcements Rev. H. Neely Gaston, D. D.

Call to Worship [adapted from Calls to Worship on Holy Spirit – The Pastor's Workshop (thepastorsworkshop.com)]

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, darkness was over the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

Centuries before Jesus walked among us, the Spirit of God was promised.

Jesus sent the Spirit of truth to teach us and give us peace.

At Pentecost the Spirit came, as the rush of violent wind and tongues of fire. That same Spirit is among us now.

Let us worship God!

*Trinity Hymnal 122 "God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory" ODE TO JOY

*Invocation

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Trinity Hymnal 701 "Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!" ADA

Psalter Reading Psalm 32 (Trinity Hymnal, pages 795-796)

Apostles' Creed

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; and the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *universal or world-wide

Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" [TH 734] MEINEKE

Children's Sermon

Silent Prayer "Take Up Thy Cross" (excerpt) arr. Jeanette Keyser

Prayer

Offertory "He Leadeth Me" arr. Jerry Ray

*Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" [TH 731] OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer

Scripture Romans 7:1-6

¹ Do you not know, brothers and sisters—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law has authority over someone only as long as that person lives? ² For example, by law a married woman is bound to her husband as long as he is alive, but if her husband dies, she is released from the law that binds her to him. ³ So then, if she has sexual relations with another man while her husband is still alive, she is called an adulteress. But if her husband dies, she is released from that law and is not an adulteress if she marries another man. ⁴ So, my brothers and sisters, you also died to the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God. ⁵ For when we were in the realm of the flesh, the sinful passions aroused by the law were at work in us, so that we bore fruit for death. ⁶ But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.

Sermon "The New Way of the Spirit"

Prayer

*Trinity Hymnal 334 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" TRENTHAM

*Prayer

*Benediction

*Postlude "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" arr. Jerry Ray

Announcements for September 10, 2023

The Diaconate will not meet today. They will have a budget meeting Sunday, September 24th at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Please plan to join us Monday as we honor our First Responders with a BBQ lunch from 11 – 1 p.m. There will be a brief service of remembrance and thanksgiving in front of the sanctuary at 12:30 p.m. Thanks to all of our volunteers, who give of their time and talents, to make this event possible.

The Session will meet Sunday, September 17th.

Our Women's Ministry will meet Sunday, September 24th and Sunday, October 1st.

Strides of Strength will have their annual fundraiser on Saturday, September 23rd from 6:30-10:30 p.m. at The Bins at Gaston Farm, 3445 JS Gaston Rd, Richburg. For more information please visit StridesofStrength.org or call 803-374-6255.

Erskine College will host its Second Annual Garnet & Gold Forum, an evening focused on Christian thinking in a secular society, on Friday, Sept. 29, 2023. Dr. Stephen C. Meyer, director of the Discovery Institute's Center for Science and Culture will serve as keynote speaker. The event, which includes a dinner and keynote address, will be held in the Bowie Arts Center on the Erskine College campus. For more information, please contact Beth Boyd at beth.boyd@erskine.edu or by calling 864-379-6502.

Special Offerings:

In Memory of Leona Wrenn for her birthday September 2nd by Macie Lucas. (Cemetery Fund)

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

6:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 14, 2023

6:00-8:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

Saturday, September 16, 2023

8:00-3:00 p.m. Concealed Weapons Class

Sunday, September 17, 2023

10:00 a.m. – Child/Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m.- Worship

Session meets following worship

3:00 p.m. - Visit First United Methodist Church's kitchen, Clover, SC

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Order of Worship Sunday, September 10, 2023



Welcome in the name of Christ to all who gather for worship at Union Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. As you join us for worship, we hope that you will sense God's presence, be caught up in joyful praise, be challenged by God's Word, and leave strengthened to live for Christ in the world. If you do not have a church home in this community, we encourage you to consider uniting with us in our work and worship.