

Prelude "Beautiful Savior" arr. Dale Wood

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

Call to Worship

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
Who made heaven and earth.

In life and in death

We belong to God.

Baptized into Christ's death

We live unto Him.

Come, let us Worship God!

*Trinity Hymnal 100 "Holy, Holy, Holy!" NICAEA

*Invocation and 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 358 "For All the Saints" (v. 1, 2, 6) SINE NOMINE

Remembrance Service

We give you thanks, O God,

**for every saint who ever worshiped you whether in brush arbors or cathedrals,
weathered wooden churches or crumbling cement meeting houses where your name
was lifted and adored, where your scriptures were studied, your people served.**

We give you thanks, O God,

**for centuries of hands in service: hands groomed, hands stained with grease or soil,
young hands, hands marked with age, holy hands of every shade raised in praise,
serving hands that cooked, hammered, and held.**

We give you thanks, O God,

**for hardworking saints; whether hard-hatted or steel-booted, head ragged or aproned,
blue-collared or three-piece-suited they ministered on the earth for you, for us, for our
children to come.**

So, in gratitude for the gifts of these saints we take a moment to name them before you, and the body of Christ, claiming their lives as a gift to the church: As each name is read, the family members present may come forward to light his or her candle

Naming of the Saints Departed November 2022 – October 2023

† James Leon "Jimmy" Simpson, Jr.

† Kathryn Woods Reid

† Donna Kay "Nikki" McWaters

† Margaret Watts McWaters

† James Anthony "Jimmy" Starnes

† Mozelle Brakefield Cauthen

† James Richard Hooker, Jr.

† Shauna Re'Nea Gordon

† Naming others from the congregation

Let us pray... **We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who, having finished their course, now rest from their labors. Give us grace to follow the example of their steadfastness and faithfulness, to your honor and glory; through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

Anthem "Home" Ruth Elaine Shram and Aren Newell Williams

Psalter Reading Psalm 116 (*Trinity Hymnal*, page 827-828)

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 "Eye Hath not Seen" (from *The Holy City*) A. R. Gaul / arr. Stewart Landon

Prayer

Offertory "Lift Thine Eyes" (from *Elijah*) Felix Mendelssohn / arr. Edward Broughton

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

*Prayer

Scripture Romans 10:14-21

¹⁴How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" ¹⁶But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our message?" ¹⁷Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ. ¹⁸But I ask: Did they not hear? Of course, they did: "Their voice has gone out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world." ¹⁹Again I ask: Did Israel not understand? First, Moses says, "I will make you envious by those who are not a nation; I will make you angry by a nation that has no understanding." ²⁰And Isaiah boldly says, "I was found by those who did not seek me; I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me." ²¹But concerning Israel he says, "All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and obstinate people."

Sermon "Faith Comes from Hearing"

Prayer

*Trinity Hymnal, 444 "O Zion Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling" (v. 1, 3) TIDINGS

*Closing Prayer

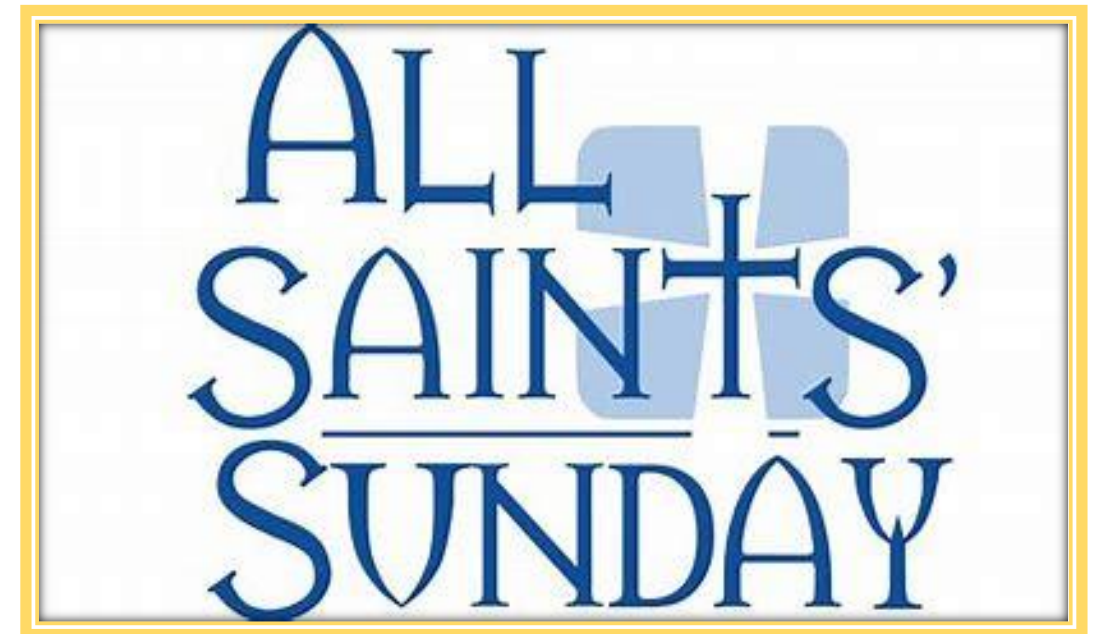
*Benediction

*Postlude "Recessional on ST. ANNE" arr. Gordon Young

UNION ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Richburg, South Carolina
1795

Order of Worship
Sunday, November 5, 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.

Announcements for November 1, 2023

Twice each year the ARP Church collects a special offering to support some of the ministries of our denomination. The Fall Offering is for the benefit of: Christian Benevolent Fund, Erskine College, and Erskine Seminary. The Christmas Benevolent Fund make it possible to minister to those who have served in the past as minister, missionary, or General Synod employee. One hundred percent of your gift is passed on to these men and women who have faithfully served our denomination. We urge you to give generously to these special causes and beyond your tithe to the church. If you would like to give online, go to <https://abundant.co/generalsynodarpchurch/thanks>.

Orphan Sunday is November 12, 2023. The ministry the ARP Church has to orphans is through the Dunlap Foundation. Dunlap Foundation supports French Camp Academy (Mississippi), Hope for the Fatherless (Ethiopia), Miracle Hill Ministries (Greenville, SC), Palmer Home for Children (Mississippi), Reach the Children of Rwanda International (RCRI), Boys Farm (Newberry, SC), King's Kids (International), Mabel Lowry Home (Pakistan), Collins Home for Children (Seneca, SC). If you would like to contribute through the church, you can write a check and write Dunlap on the memo line any time during the month of November. David McCain will then write a check from the church.

We plan to decorate the church for Christmas after worship on Sunday, November 26th. I have hot dogs, chili, and chips. You are welcome to bring a side or a dessert. In addition to indoor decorations, we would like to set up the outside tree lights in front of the church. Everyone is invited to help out.

Paul is asking for volunteers to help with the readings and lighting of the candles for Advent. Please consider volunteering. A sign-up sheet is on the hallway desk.

Our Christmas Dinner will be Friday, December 8th at 6:30. Our catered meal will be ham, turkey, dressing & gravy, brown rice, green beans, macaroni & cheese, sweet potato casserole, cranberry sauce, roll, and dessert. Everyone is invited to attend, There is no charge for the meal. Please plan to join us. There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway so we can get a count for the meal.

Poinsettias for Advent cost \$12.88. All checks should be made out to Nancy Bailey. Please note Christmas Poinsettia on memo line. Deadline for all orders are November 5th.

We will have 5 fresh farm wreaths from Strides of Strength Therapeutic Riding in Chester with Beth Gaston. If you are willing to purchase one for the church, please complete the yellow form and payment to Nancy Bailey. The cost of each wreath is \$40. Please note Wreath on the memo line.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 5, 2023 (All Saints' Sunday - Daylight Saving Time Ends-Fall Back)

10:00 a.m. – Child/Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. – Worship

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal, Bible Study, Choir Practice

Thursday, November 9, 2023

6:30-8:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 12, 2023 (Orphan Sunday)

10:00 a.m. – Child/Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. – Worship

Diaconate meets following worship

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal, Bible Study, Choir Practice (7:15 p.m.)

Please note that this is our last Bible Study of the year. We will resume in January.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

November 2 – Andy Bennett	November 21 – Ann Crawford
November 4 – Bill Gladden	Jimmy & Libby Gaston
November 5 – Daniel Dodson	November 23 – Sandy Bennett
November 6 – Mikayla Rivas	November 24 – Mary Beth Burton
November 8 – Sherry Melton	Scottie Gibson
November 20 – Lucy Melton	November 26 – Jessie Gordon