

Prelude "Prelude on ENGELBERG" arr. Mary Ellen Kerrick
The final hymn is sung to this tune.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship – Psalm 9:1-2, 10-11

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart;

I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and rejoice in you;

I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.

Those who know your name trust in you, for you, O LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you.

Sing the praises of the LORD . . . ; proclaim among the nations what he has done.

*Trinity Hymnal, 16 "Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord" (v. 1 – 4) DUKE STREET

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

Psalter Reading Psalm 47 (Trinity Hymnal, page 803)

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 "Wondrous Love" ("When I was sinking down...") arr. R. Schulz- Widmar

Prayer

Offertory "Moment by Moment" arr. Buryl Red
Duet: Melissa Chaney and Scott Rishebarger

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

*Prayer

Scripture Ephesians 1:3-10 ESV

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵he predestined us^a for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹making known^b to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

Sermon "Reclaiming Our Boldness in Our Adoption" Alex Pettett
Executive Director, World Witness

Prayer

*Trinity Hymnal, #451 "The Sending, Lord, Springs" (v. 1 – 4) ENGELBERG

*Prayer

*Benediction

*Postlude "Fanfare on ST. GERTRUDE" arr. Gordon Young

Announcements for Sunday, March 17, 2024

Please join us for our "Jubilee Birthday" celebration following worship today in the Fellowship Hall. Jubilee birthday celebrations began almost 100 years ago to raise awareness of missions in general but to also promote prayers, financial support, and encouragement for our Birthday Ladies. Our two

birthday ladies are Rebekah Carson and Sheila Osborne. If you wish to make a donation, please make your check out to Union's Women's Ministry. Money collected will be sent to World Witness.

Please consider giving to this year's Easter Offering. This offering goes to ARP Foundation & Stewardship Ministries, Bonclarken Conference Center, Outreach North America, and World Witness. See insert for additional information. Please consider giving to these special causes beyond your tithe to the church. You will have until Sunday, April 7th to donate.

Joe Gordon will have a situational awareness class on March 26th at Union from 6-8 p.m. This will include church safety, carrying with confidence, and going over the new SC gun laws that were just passed.

We plan to have Easter lilies. The cost will be \$15 each. Complete and turn in the purple order form and payment by March 24th. Make checks out to Nancy Bailey.

Assistance reading and extinguishing candles is needed from you for our Good Friday service. Elders, Deacons, choir and church members are encouraged to support this special time of worship through attendance and participation. Sign-ups can be found in the vestibule and in the hallway.

PACCC will have its annual spaghetti dinner on Thursday, April 25th at Richburg Fire Department from 6-8 p.m. Ticket prices are \$10 and you may dine in or get a to-go-box. Dee Gordon has tickets.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 17, 2024 Missions Festival at Edgemoor ARP Church

5:30 meal – Fish Fry, 6:30 Program begins

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

6:30 Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 21, 2024

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

Saturday, March 23, 2023

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

Birthdays & Anniversaries

March 19 – Ritchie & Heidi Sharpe	March 26 – Emmett Smith
March 20 – Sylvia Jennings	March 31 – Riley Alexander

UNION ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Richburg, South Carolina
Est. 1795

Order of Worship
Sunday, March 17, 2024
Missions Festival Sunday

Theme:

God's Missionary Heart for the Nations

I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.” Isaiah 49:6 ESV



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.