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The Commissioning and Ordination Service will have a separate bulletin. As such, the order of worship for the Commissioning and Ordination Service is not included in this worship guide.

† The Order for the Examination and Licensing of Local Pastors will take place during the business session of the Annual Conference.

†† The Closing Worship service will be our final act and take place after all business has been concluded.

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Annual Conference! We are gathered for a few days of Christian conferencing. As an annual conference our work is grounded in worship. In worship we gather to hear from God and to respond to God's presence among us in prayer, praise, and sacrament. In worship we gather for God's glory and for our benefit. In worship God spiritually feeds us and equips us to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

In order to keep our worship focused on God's presence with us and for us, please observe these guidelines.

- Several of our worship services will begin with processions. Once a procession has started, please do not enter the floor of the arena until all those in the procession have taken their places.
- In worship services with a recession, please remain in your seat until all those in the recession have left the arena.

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### RECEIVING COMMUNION AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The celebration of Holy Communion is a **sacred** moment of worship regardless of the setting. We are humbly receiving God's grace in the sharing of the Bread and Cup. Please retain this attitude throughout the services by refraining from conversation with your neighbor. Likewise, please restrict your movement to only that necessary to move to the servers and to return to your seat.

The Lord's Table is open to all – if you desire to receive Communion, you are welcome at Christ's Table.

The method of serving is by intinction. As you approach the servers, please place your right hand on top of your left hand with palms up and, while making eye contact with your server, extend both hands to receive the bread. Your server will place the bread in your hands with these (or similar) words: "The body of Christ given for you." Your response may be a simple "Amen" or "Thanks be to God."

After receiving the bread move to the server holding the cup. Dip the bread into the cup as it is tilted towards you. A napkin is provided to remove any excess liquid. The server will say the following (or similar) words: "The blood of Christ given for you" and again your response can be a simple "Amen."

Please return to your seat maintaining an attitude of worship as others are continuing to be served.

### RECEIVING COMMUNION IN THE MAIN ARENA

There are serving stations throughout the arena. Ushers will be present to direct you to your nearest station. Please follow your usher's instructions allowing the service to move as smoothly and as worshipful as possible.

There will be two stations serving **gluten-free** bread – one at the front of the arena to the left of the stage and one at the rear of the arena to the right of section 203 of the bleachers (near the entrance to the Cokesbury store). Please make your own way to the most convenient station and back to your seat.

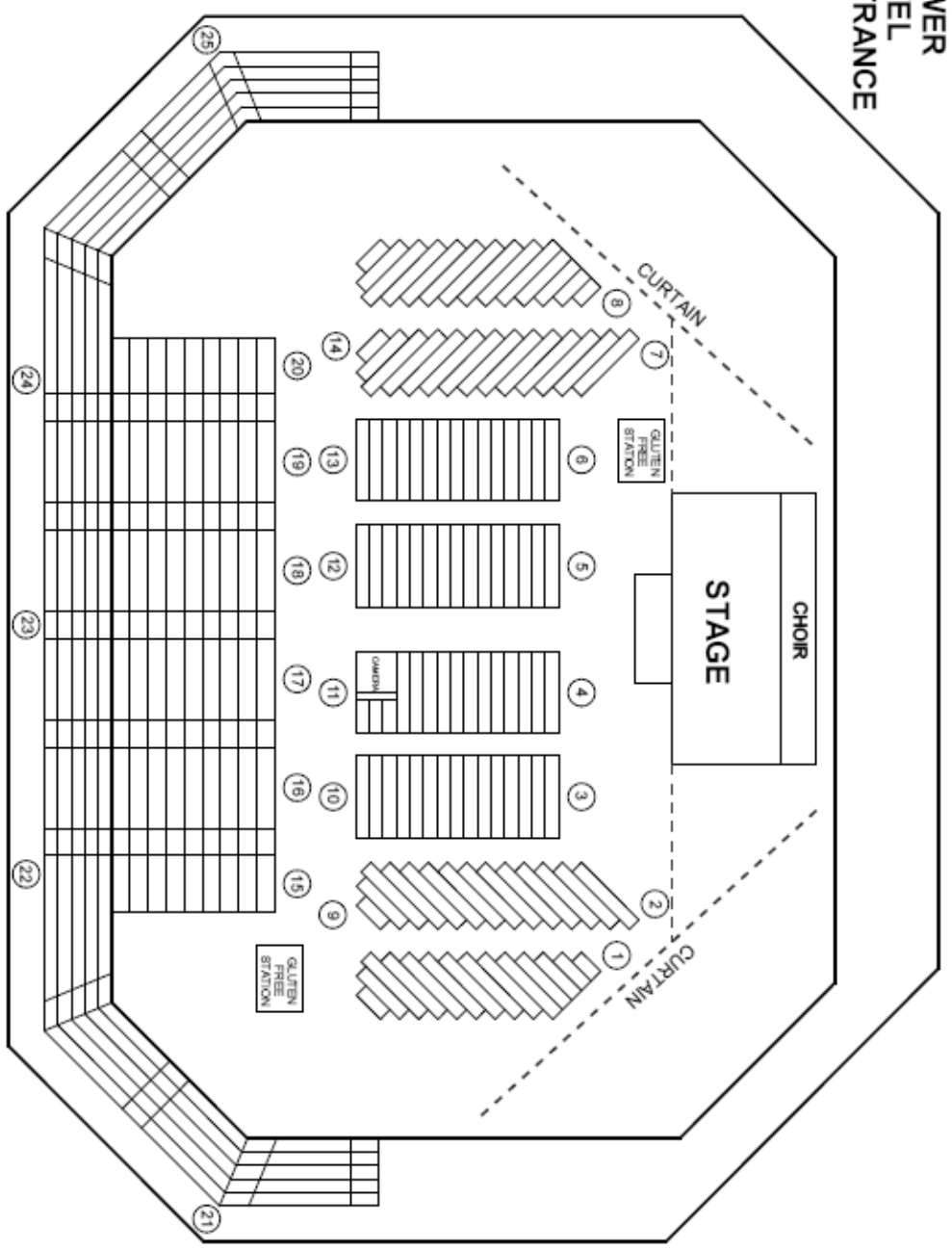
### RECEIVING COMMUNION AT THE 7:30 A.M. SERVICES

In addition to the service of Holy Communion in the arena during our opening worship service, "A Service of Word and Table" will be offered each morning at 7:30 – Monday and Wednesday in the Pee Dee Room and Tuesday in the Ballroom. There will be three stations at each of these services, each of which will have a regular loaf of bread. The station on the congregation's right will have both regular and gluten-free bread. Due to the smaller more intimate settings of these services ushers will not be provided and you will simply cooperate with the other worshippers as you move to the most convenient station to receive the elements in the same manner detailed above.

# COMMUNION SERVING STATIONS

LOWER  
LEVEL  
ENTRANCE

UPPER LEVEL ENTRANCES



# OPENING SERVICE OF WORSHIP

June 4, 2014 • 7:30 PM

## FAITH

### We Gather for Worship

#### Gathering Prelude

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* ..... HYMN TO JOY

Christopher Leysath

Arranger: Edward Hodges (1964)

Words: Henry Van Dyke (1907, st. 4 alt. 1989)

Composer: Ludwig von Beethoven (1824) Public Domain

Welcome and Prayer ..... The Rev. Thomas W. Smith

#### Children and Missions Video

Songs of Praise and Celebration ..... The Children and Youth Choirs of  
St. Paul United Methodist Church, Kingstree

*I Want Your Heart* ..... Chelsia McClary, Soloist

Composer: Tasha Cobb

*You Can Lean on Me* ..... Sheldon Mazyck, Soloist

Composer: Helen Miller

#### \*Processional Hymn

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* ..... AZMON

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
2. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.
3. Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.
4. He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free;  
his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.
5. He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;  
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
6. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Savior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.
7. In Christ, your head, you then shall know, shall feel your sins forgiven;  
anticipate your heaven below, and own that love is heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739

Music: Carl G. Gläser, arr. by Lowell Mason, 1839

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*God of Grace and God of Glory* ..... CWM RHONDDA

1. God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, (of this hour)  
for the facing of this hour.

2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts to work and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, (of these days)  
for the living of these days.
3. Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, (kingdom's goal)  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.
4. Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;  
let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, (we adore)  
serving thee whom we adore.

Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930  
Music: John Hughes, 1907  
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**Prayer of Invocation** ..... Ms. Barbara Ware

**Anthem** ..... Mass Choir, St. Paul United Methodist Church  
*Let Every Ear Hear* ..... Deloris McClary, Soloist  
Composer: The Williams Sisters

### We Hear God's Word Read and Proclaimed

**Prayer for Illumination** ..... Mr. Cameron Levi

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Living God, our Creator and Preserver,

**Open our ears to hear your Word.**

Living God, divine Word made flesh,

**Open our hearts to love your Word**

Living God, Spirit of Wisdom

**Open our minds to understand your Word.**

Living God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**Open our lives to live your Word. Amen.<sup>1</sup>**

**Reading of God's Word**

*John 14:15-21* ..... Mr. Cameron Levi

**Proclamation of the Word**

*"Exposed To A Higher Standard"* ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

### We Respond to God's Word with Thanksgiving and Communion

**Affirmation of Faith** ..... Mr. Donald Love

We believe in God, the Root of all living, Creator of all things.

We live in Christ Jesus, God's Son,

who loved all people and who makes us one in his love. He suffered and died, and was raised to new life.

In his death and resurrection

we are also raised to life that is transformed. Christ is our Vine, and we are his branches; and without him we cannot live.

We live by the Holy Spirit, flowing through us  
so that we may bear fruit for God, the fruit of love.

In the Spirit we are one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world.

We trust in the one holy church, the communing of saints, the forgiveness of sin,  
the mystery of resurrection,  
and the grace of eternal life. Amen.<sup>2</sup>

**Invitation to the Offering** ..... Rev. Lisa C. Hawkins

(Tonight's offering will be given to our conference's Campus Ministry and Wesley Foundations. Make checks payable to SC Conference Treasurer for Campus Ministry and Wesley Foundations and designate the name of the church making the offering.)

## Offering

**Offertory** ..... Mass Choir, St. Paul United Methodist Church, Kingstree

*It's Working* ..... Barbara Scott, Soloist  
Composer: William Murphy

**Doxology** ..... LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Words: Thomas Ken (1674)  
Harmonizer: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1906)  
Adapter: Gilbert H. Vieira (1978)  
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**Confession and Assurance of Pardon** ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

God of new creation,  
we confess that we failed to trust your bountiful goodness.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit you brought forth the earth and its creatures in abundance.

Yet, we hoard earth's resources and refuse to share your gifts.  
We dishonor your generosity by withholding our charity to those in need.  
We betray your kindness by dealing harshly with our enemies.  
We disregard your compassion by severely judging the sins of others.

**Forgive us, we pray.  
By the power of your Spirit,  
renew our hearts and free us from our sins that we may enjoy the fullness of your  
blessing upon all creation.<sup>3</sup>**

*We continue in silent confession.*

Hear the good news. Christ died for us while we were yet sinners. That proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**Glory to God! Amen.**

**The Great Thanksgiving ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right, it is good, and it is joyful to give you thanks, O Lord our God, giver and sustainer of faith.

When there was only darkness, you made light.

When we cried out to you from captivity, you claimed us as your own.

When we forgot our love for you, you did not forget us,

sending us your prophets to turn us around and renewing your promises with a bow  
in the sky,

with the parting of the sea, with your own Son.

And so we praise you,

turning our voices to the angels' songs,

joining all those who sing on earth and in heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Thank you for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord – for his teaching and healing,  
his challenging and feeding, his living and dying and rising,  
that we might be raised with him, and all the world made new.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us,

he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over, he took the cup,

gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: “Drink from this, all of you;

this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Remembering your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice  
in union with Christ’s offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on your people gathered here and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be the body of Christ redeemed by his blood.

Through the power of your Holy Spirit unite us with Christ and one another  
as we work and wait in hope, confident in that day  
when Christ will come to make all things new and we will feast together at his heavenly table.

All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. <sup>4</sup>

**Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer** ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

And now with the confidence of God’s children, let us pray the prayer that our Lord taught us.

**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.**

### **Receiving the Bread and Cup**

*As we receive Holy Communion, you are invited to sing the following hymns:*

*Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast* ..... HURSLEY

1. Come, sinners, to the gospel feast, let every soul be Jesus’ guest.  
Ye need not one be left behind, for God hath bid all humankind.
2. Do not begin to make excuse; ah! do not you his grace refuse;  
your worldly cares and pleasures leave, and take what Jesus hath to give.
3. Come and partake the gospel feast, be saved from sin, in Jesus rest;  
O taste the goodness of our God, and eat his flesh and drink his blood.
4. See him set forth before your eyes; behold the bleeding sacrifice;  
his offered love make haste to embrace, and freely now be saved by grace.



5. Ye who believe his record true shall sup with him and he with you;  
come to the feast, be saved from sin, for Jesus waits to take you in.

Words: Charles Wesley, 1747  
Music: Katholisches Gesangbuch, ca. 1774;  
adapt. from Metrical Psalter, 1855  
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*In Christ Alone (Worship & Song 3105)* ..... IN CHRIST ALONE

1. In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song.  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid, Here in the death of Christ I live.
3. There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Words: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend  
Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend  
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*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* ..... BRADBURY

1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care;  
in thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
2. We are thine, thou dost befriend us, be the guardian of our way;  
keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.
3. Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;  
thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and power to free.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! We will early turn to thee.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! We will early turn to thee.
4. Early let us seek thy favor, early let us do thy will;  
blessed Lord and only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still.

Music: William B. Bradbury  
Words: Dorothy A. Thrupp (1836)  
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## We Depart to Serve

**Benediction** ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

**Recessional Hymns** ..... Celebration Medley

### *This Is The Day*

This is the day, this is the day. That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice, we will rejoice, And be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day. That the Lord has made.

Composer: Les Garrett (1967)

### *Praise the Name of Jesus*

Praise the name of Jesus, Praise the name of Jesus.

He's my rock, He's my fortress,

He's my deliver, in Him will I trust.

Praise the name of Jesus.

Words and Music: Roy Hicks, Jr. (Ps.18:2)

### *I Will Call Upon the Lord (refrain)*

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock

And let the God of my salvation be exalted

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock

And let the God of my salvation be exalted

Composer: Michael O'Shields (1994)

### *He Has Made Me Glad*

I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart; I will enter His courts with praise.

I will say this is the day that the Lord has made. I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

He has made me glad, He has made me glad, I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

He has made me glad, He has made me glad, I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

Composer: Leona Von Brethorst (1976)

## **Postlude**

*Every Praise* ..... Eric Williams, Soloist

*Don't Call the Roll* ..... Eric Williams, Soloist

Composer: Hezekiah Walker

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Leading in Worship

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

Mass Choir, St. Paul United Methodist Church, Kingstree

Mr. Christopher Leysath, Organist

Mr. Craig Coelho, Song Leader

Ms. Barbara Ware, Conference Lay Leader

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Mr. Donald Love, Associate Conference Lay Leader

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A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

Monday, June 2, 2014

7:30 am (Pee Dee Room)

Entrance

Gathering

Prelude

Call to Worship

Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ.
And also with you.

Rejoice, for the risen Christ is present among us!
Praise be to God!

*Opening Hymns

Crown Him King of Kings

Crown Him King of kings
Crown Him Lord of lords
Wonderful Counselor
The mighty God
Emmanuel, God is with us
And He shall reign
He shall reign
He shall reign forever more

Songwriter: Sharon Damazio
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Crown Him with Many Crowns DIADEMATA

1. Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
2. Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
3. Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

Words: Matthew Bridges (1851) and Godfrey Thring (1874)
Music: George J. Elvey (1868), Public Domain

***Opening Prayer**

Heavenly Father,
You spoke, and the earth came to be. You commanded, and everything stood firm. Make known your word to us this morning so that we might be empowered by its authority to proclaim your love and grace in our community, our state, and throughout the world. In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, Amen.

Proclamation and Response

Reading from the Psalms Psalm 33

Musical Response:
Praise the Lord, ye saints, and sing;
All the powers of music bring

Response

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous!
Delight in praise, O you upright!
Praise the Lord with the lyre,
Make melody to the Lord with the harp of ten strings!
Sing to the Lord a new song,
Play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.
Upright is the word of the Lord,
Whose work is done in faithfulness.

Response

The Lord loves righteousness and justice;
The earth is full of steadfast love of the Lord.
By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,
And all their host by the breath of God's mouth.
The Lord gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle
And put the deeps in storehouses.
Let all the earth fear the Lord,
Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe!

Response

For the Lord spoke, and it came to be;
The Lord commanded, and it stood forth.
The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing
And frustrates the plans of the peoples.
The counsel of the Lord stands for ever,
The thoughts of God's heart to all generations.
Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,
The people whom the Lord has chosen as a heritage!

Response

The Lord looks down from heaven,
And sees all peoples;
The Lord sits enthroned and looks forth
On all the inhabitants of the earth,
Fashioning the hearts of them all,
And observing all their deeds.
A king is not saved by his great army;
A warrior is not delivered by his great strength.
The war horse is a vain hope for victory,
And despite its great might it cannot save.

Response

Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who are faithful
And hope for God's steadfast love
To deliver their soul from death,
And to keep them alive in famine.
Our soul waits for the Lord,
Who is our help and shield.
Our heart is glad in the Lord,
Because we trust in God's holy name.
Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
Even as we hope in you.

Response

Prayer for Illumination

Prayer Response

What a Friend We have in Jesus CONVERSE

1. What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.
2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.
3. Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

Words: Joseph M. Scriven (1855)
Music: Charles C. Convers (1868)
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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.

Old Testament Lesson 1 Chronicles 22:2-19

Special Music *Completely Yours*
Composer: David Phelps

*The Gospel Reading Mark 12:41-44

Sermon "So David Provided"

*Affirmation of Faith

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.

Thanksgiving and Communion

Invitation

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession and Pardon

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,
we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.
It is right and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.
When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.
You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God,
brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey,
and set before us the way of life.
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn.
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**
Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

By your great mercy we have been born anew
to a living hope through the resurrection of your Son from the dead
and to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.

Once we were no people, but now we are your people,
declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ,
who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always,
in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
“Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

On the day you raised him from the dead
he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread,
and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued
in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your Holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Sending Forth

*Hymn of Dedication *The Family Prayer Song*

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord.
As for me and my house we will serve the Lord.
As for me and my house we will serve the Lord.
We will serve the Lord.

Words and Music: Morris Chapman

Benediction

Postlude

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Leading in Worship

The Rev. Ross Chellis, Hampton-Varnville Charge

Mr. Cleve Dorsey, Marion Parish

Communion Servers:

The Rev. Hope Avins

The Rev. Danny Chamblee

The Rev. Sharon Gamble

The Rev. Kayla Harward

The Rev. Andrew Jones

The Rev. Andrew Martin

**ORDER FOR THE EXAMINATION AND
LICENSING OF LOCAL PASTORS
Monday, June 2, 2014**

Hymn

Freely, Freely **FREELY, FREELY**
Those who will be licensed gather at the kneeling rail as we sing.

1. God forgave my sin in Jesus' name, I've been born again in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his love as he told me to.
He said, "Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give.
Go in my name, and because you believe, others will know that I live."
2. All power is given in Jesus' name, in earth and heaven in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his power as he told me to.
He said, "Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give.
Go in my name, and because you believe, others will know that I live."

Words: Carol Owens, 1972 (Mt. 10:8; 28:18-20)
Music: Carol Owens, 1972,
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Barbara Ware, Conference Lay Leader:

On behalf of the laity of the local congregations who have examined and approved these candidates,

Ken Nelson, Chair of the Board of Ordained Ministry

and on behalf of the Board of Ordained Ministry of this annual conference, which has recommended these persons, and this annual conference, which has approved them, we present

John Cribb, Chair of the Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members

These persons to be licensed as local pastors.

(Each candidate kneels as his or her name is called.)

Marilyn Le'Cene Boyer
Kenneth Ray Carter
Beverly Cheryl CroweTipton
Meredith Marie Dark
William Anthony DuBose
Eleanora Coaxum Ellington
Jeffery Warren Farmer
Julie Kay Gibson
Daniel Troy Hembree
John Quincey Hooks, II
Brandon Craig Lazarus
Miriam Wilson Mick
Maurice McNab

Roy Wayne Mobley
Joseph Sohhwan Park
Travis Aaron Pearson
Nancy Creswell Reed
Donald Ray Studebaker
Heyward Daniel Sullivan, Jr.
Richard Dale Toy
James Allen Vaught
Paige Danielle Wheeler
Sandra Eslinger Whetsell
John Talbert Windham
Daniel Cameron Wood, Jr

Prayer Ms. Barbara Ware

Examination of Candidates

The chair of the Board of Ordained Ministry says:

The licensed local pastor is called to share in the ministry of Christ and of the whole Church, and authorized by the bishop to preach and teach the Word of God and to faithfully administer the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion within the congregation.

These persons have completed the requirements to be licensed for pastoral ministry and are recommended by the District Committees on Ordained Ministry. We have inquired diligently concerning them and have found them to be fit for this sacred vocation.

The candidates stand.

The bishop addresses the candidates saying:

Do you believe you are moved by the Holy Spirit to serve as a licensed local pastor?

I do.

Will you strive to live a life in keeping with what you preach?

I will.

The bishop authorizes the candidates for licensed local pastor as a group:

You are hereby authorized to serve as a licensed local pastor in the South Carolina Conference and the congregation to which you are appointed. Take care that you perform these duties faithfully as you are able, the Lord being your helper. **Amen.**

Prayer and Dismissal Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

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## Leading in Worship

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

Ms. Barbara Ware, Conference Lay Leader

The Rev. Ken Nelson, Chair of the Board of Ordained Ministry

The Rev. John Cribb, Chair of the Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members

Ms. Freda Brock, Anderson District Lay Leader

Mr. David Braddon, Charleston District Lay Leader

Ms. Betty Void, Columbia District Lay Leader

Mr. Dennis Sullen, Florence District Lay Leader

Mr. Michael Cheatham, Greenville District Lay Leader

Mr. David Salter, Greenwood District Lay Leader

Mr. Max K. Jackson, Hartsville District Lay Leader

Ms. Becky Green, Marion District Lay Leader

Mr. Gregg Riley, Orangeburg District Lay Leader

Mr. Bill Click, Rock Hill District Lay Leader

Ms. Earline Powell, Spartanburg District Lay Leader

Ms. Pamela Goodwine-Glover, Walterboro District Lay Leader

# A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

Tuesday, June 3, 2014

7:30 am (Ballroom)

## Prelude

*Lift High The Cross* ..... CRUCIFER

Composer: Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1916)

Text: Michael Robert Newbolt, George William Kitchin (1916)

## Opening Prayer

O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives,

Bringing new life out of destruction,

Hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty.

We thank you that you do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole.

Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives,

and to attend to the gentle guidance of your Spirit,

that we may know the joy you give your people. Amen.

## \*Hymn

*Lord of All Hopefulness* ..... SLANE

1. Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
whose trust, ever childlike, no care could destroy:  
Be there at our waking, and give us we pray,  
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
2. Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
whose strong hands were skilled at the plain and the lathe:  
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,  
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
3. Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:  
Be there at our homing and give us we pray,  
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
4. Lord of all gentleness, Lord of the calm,  
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:  
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Author: Jan Struther

Music: Irish Folk Melody

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The Word of God ..... *Ephesians 4:1-6*

The Proclamation of God's Word

## Invitation to God's Table

### Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way of peace. Come into the brokenness of our lives and our land with your healing love. Help us to be willing to bow before you in true repentance, and to bow to one another in real forgiveness. By the fire of your Holy Spirit, melt our hard hearts and consume the pride and prejudice which separate us. Fill, O Lord, with your perfect love, which casts out our fear, and bind us together in that unity which you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Silent Prayers of Confession*

In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.  
Amen**

### The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

“Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

**Amen.**

#### **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.**

#### **The Breaking of the Bread and the Sharing of the Cup**

*I Come with Joy* ..... DOVE OF PEACE

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved and free,  
in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me,  
his life laid down for me.
2. I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love in Christ’s communion bread,  
in Christ's communion bread.
3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.  
The love that made us that makes us one, and strangers now are friends,  
and strangers now are friends.
4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near,  
is in such friendship better known; we see and praise him here,  
we see and praise him here.

5. Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways,  
and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise,  
we'll live and speak his praise.

Words: Brian Wren (1968)  
Music: The Southern Harmony, 1835;  
Harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1987, Public Domain

*One Bread, One Body* ..... ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

*Refrain:*

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free,  
woman or man, no more.

*Refrain*

2. Many the gifts, many the works,  
one in the Lord of all.

*Refrain*

3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,  
gathered to one, for all.

*Refrain*

Composer & Text: John B. Foley (1978)  
Harmonzier: Gary Alan Smith (1988)  
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*Become to Us the Living Bread* ..... GELOBT SEI GOTT

1. Become to us the living bread by which the Christian life is fed,  
renewed, and greatly comforted: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. Become the never-failing wine, the spring of joy that shall incline  
our hearts to bear the covenant sign: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. May Christians all with one accord unite around the sacred board  
to praise your holy name, O Lord: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Words: Miriam Drury (1970) (Jn. 6:35-58)  
Music: *Schönes Geistliches Gesangbuch*, 1609;  
Harm. from *The Pilgrim Hymnal*, 1958, Public Domain

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Closing Hymn

*Now Let Us From This Table Rise* ..... DUES TUORUM MILITUM

1. Now let us from this table rise renewed in body, mind, and soul;  
with Christ we die and live again, his selfless love has made us whole.
2. With minds alert, upheld by grace, to spread the word in speech and deed,  
we follow in the steps of Christ, at one with all in hope and need.



3. To fill each human house with love, it is the sacrament of care;  
the work that Christ began to do we humbly pledge ourselves to share.
4. Then grant us courage, Father God, to choose again the pilgrim way  
and help us to accept with joy the challenge of tomorrow's day.

Music: Grenoble Antiphoner (1753)  
Text: Fred Kaan (1964)  
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**\*Benediction**

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Leading in Worship

The Rev. Candice Sloan, Spartanburg Methodist College

The Rev. Dr. Paul Harmon, Spartanburg District Superintendent

Ms. Jan Harmon

Communion Servers:

The Rev. Doris Bright

The Rev. Lillie Davis

The Rev. Zach Dillard

The Rev. Erik Grayson

The Rev. Kim Evans

The Rev. Eric Hendrickson

RETIREMENT RECOGNITION SERVICE

June 3, 2014 • 11:00 am

Prelude

Heralds of Christ NATIONAL HYMN
Composer: George W. Warren (1894)
Text: Laura S. Copenhaver (1915)

*Hymn

When Morning Gilds the Skies LAUDES DOMINI

1. When morning gilds the skies my heart awaking cries: May Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer, to Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised!
2. The night becomes as day when from the heart we say: May Jesus Christ be praised!
The powers of darkness fear when this sweet chant they hear: May Jesus Christ be praised!
3. Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound: May Jesus Christ be praised!
In heaven's eternal bliss the loveliest strain is this: May Jesus Christ be praised!
4. Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine: May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this th'eternal song through all the ages long: May Jesus Christ be praised!

Composer: Joseph Barnby (1868)
Translator (stanzas 1, 2, 4): Edward Caswall (1854)
Translator (stanza 3): Robert S. Bridges (1899)
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*Prayer Rev. Barrett Alewine

Recognition of Retirees

The bishop will read the name of each retiree and spouse. Retirees and spouses will be seated on the stage before the service begins. As each name is called, the retiree and spouse will move from the stage to the floor.

Barrett Thomas Alewine
Judith Ann Alford
Ruth Heykens Arant
Kay Adams Best
Charles Lee Bowman
Anne Gregory Bridgers
William Martin Burke
Kenneth Campbell Burr
John Wesley Culp
Paul David Frey
Roger Marion Gwinn
James William Harris
Velma Martin Haywood
David George James
Ronald Lee Leonard, Jr.
Patricia Petway Mayfield

Albert Middleton, Jr.
Gilbert Dane Morehead
Barbara Lee Reid
Eldrige Bates Rowell
Kathryn Whitlock Scarborough
Barbara Rogers Segars
Rufus Lenoah Snowden
Alexander Thomas
George Theodore Thomas, Jr.
Joseph Calhoun Watson, III
Myrna Kay Westfall
Allen Dale Wolfe

Ad Interim Retirement

Miriam Joyce Graham-Hadden
Mary Jane Shoemaker
Charlie Albert Short

Bishop Holston (at the pulpit):

Brothers and sister in Christ, at your ordination you received authority to read the Holy Scriptures, to preach the Word, to celebrate the Sacraments, and to Order the life of the Church. At your consecration, you received authority to equip the people of God, and to embody the unity of the congregation's worship with its life in the world. By God's grace you did many things that seemed to be beyond your power.

Linda DuRant, Conference President of United Methodist Women (at the Lectern):

Next Sunday will be your last Sunday as our pastors. As your retirement begins, it is a time to mark the end of your ministry in our churches that you have served; a time to look back and a time to look forward; a time for joy and a time for sadness. It is a time to give thanks and praise to Almighty God for what you have given us in our lives together.

Congregation: **Whatever God does endures forever.**

Herman Lightsey, Conference President of United Methodist Men (at the pulpit):

At pulpits like this you have proclaimed the saving gospel of Jesus Christ thousands of times throughout your years. You have challenged us to live out the Gospel mission in our daily lives.

Congregation: **We thank you for your ministry of preaching.**

Dennis Sullen, Florence District Lay Leader (at Baptismal font):

At fonts like this you have baptized infants, teens, and adults. The gift of new life in Christ comes from God and is administered by faithful pastors.

Congregation: **We thank you for presiding at the sacrament of Holy Baptism.**

Jenny Rawlings, Lay Leadership Secretary (behind altar):

At tables like this, you have presided at the sacrament of Holy Communion. The meal is the Lord's, so that young and old could be fed with the living presence of Christ. You have presided over this meal so it could be served in an orderly fashion.

Congregation: **We thank you for presiding at the sacrament of Holy Communion.**

Tony Friday, President of Florence District United Methodist Men (In front of the altar):

Standing in front of sanctuaries you have presided at services where many gave thanks for the lives of people who had died. You walked with us in the midst of grief. You proclaimed the good news of the resurrection and led us in prayers for comfort and strength.

Congregation: **We thank you for being with us in the time of loss.**

Sharon Washington, President of Florence District United Methodist Women (in front of altar):

You have also presided over services of holy marriage. You were present at the beginning of something wonderful and encouraged the couples to include Jesus in their marriage. You led prayers asking God's presence in marriage.

Congregation: **We thank you for sharing those and other times of great joy.**

Shelia Shanklin, Chair of Lay Servant Leadership Development Task Force (in front of altar):

As spouses you have supported and encouraged the pastor's ministry and been in ministry to us as well. You have led us and taught us, loved us and served us.

Congregation: **We thank you for your sacrifices and your participation in the life and ministries of our churches.**

Bishop Holston (at pulpit):

Never think lightly of the great good that God has wrought through you. Continue to be true to your calling. May God's love and power be with you always.

Let us pray together:

God of grace, fill your servants with vision and empower them with your Spirit. We give thanks for the ministry on these women and men and for the ways in which you have ministered to us through them. Give them a sense of your abiding presence, that they may continue to love and serve you, and grow in the grace and the knowledge of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Glimpses of Ministry from the Retiring Class

Passing of the Mantle

A representative of the retiring class and a representative of the new full member class kneel. The bishop takes the stole and places it on the shoulders of the representative of the retiring class, saying:

Bishop Holston:

In the book of Kings we read of the prophet Elijah's ministry. The mantle, symbolic of submission to God, fell upon the younger prophet, Elisha, and the spirit of Elijah rested upon Elisha.

The representative of the retiring class rises and places the mantle on the shoulders of the representative of the new full member class, saying:

Reverend Paul David Frey:

I transfer this mantle from our generation to the young, indicating thereby that the responsibilities and dedication of the older generation will be caught up and carried on by the young, and the spirit of today's Elijahs will rest upon today's Elishas.

The representative of the new class rises, turns to the retiring class, and says:

Reverend Suzanne Byrum Walker:

We who come after you take up the mantle which falls upon us. May we inherit a double share of your spirit.

Bishop Holston responds:

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all.

***Hymn**

Maker, in Whom We Live DIADEMATA

1. Maker, in whom we live, in whom we are and move,
the glory, power, and praise receive for thy creating love.
Let all the angel throng give thanks to God on high,
while earth repeats the joyful song and echoes to the sky.
2. Incarnate Deity, let all the ransomed race
render in thanks their lives to thee for thy redeeming grace.
The grace to sinners showed ye heavenly choirs proclaim,
and cry, "Salvation to our God, salvation to the Lamb!"
3. Spirit of Holiness, let all thy saints adore
thy sacred energy, and bless thine heart-renewing power.
No angel tongues can tell thy love's ecstatic height,
the glorious joy unspeakable, the beatific sight.
4. Eternal, Triune God, let all the hosts above,
let all on earth below record and dwell upon thy love.
When heaven and earth are fled before thy glorious face,
sing all the saints thy love hath made thine everlasting praise.

Composer: George J. Elvey (1868)

Text: Charles Wesley (1747)

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Benediction

Bishop Holston:

For everything there is a season, a time for every matter under heaven. So, too, there is a time for movement, new adventure, fields of service not yet touched. With love, we send you forth in the spirit of John Wesley: May the world be your parish.

People:

Go into the world and respond to the love of Christ in all you do. Live out the vision God has given you. May God's mercy, grace, and peace be with you. May you be channels for God's mercy, grace, and peace to the world wherever you may be!

Bishop Holston: Amen!

People: Amen!

Postlude

Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine KINGSFOLD

Arranger: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1906)

Text: Charles Wesley (1762)

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**Leading in Worship**

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

The Rev. Barrett Alewine, St. Mark United Methodist Church, Greenwood

Linda DuRant, Conference President of United Methodist Women

Herman Lightsey, Conference President of United Methodist Men

Dennis Sullen, Florence District Lay Leader

Jenny Rawlings, Lay Leadership Secretary

Tony Friday, President of Florence District United Methodist Men

Sharon Washington, President of Florence District United Methodist Women

Shelia Shanklin, Chair of Lay Servant Leadership Development Task Force

The Rev. Paul David Frey, 2014 Retiree and worship designer

The Rev. Suzanne Byrum Walker, 2014 Ordinand

**MEMORIAL SERVICE**  
**June 3, 2014 • 2:00 pm**

**Hope**

**Prelude**

*This Is A Day of New Beginnings* ..... **BEGINNINGS**  
Composer: Carlton R. Young (1984)  
Text: Brian Wren (1978; alt. 1987)

**\*Processional Hymn**

*My Faith Looks Up to Thee* ..... **OLIVET**

1. My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!  
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,  
O let me from this day be wholly thine!
2. May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire!  
As thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee  
pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!
3. While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide;  
bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,  
nor let me ever stray from thee aside.
4. When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll;  
blest Savior, then in love, fear and distrust remove;  
O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

Composer: Lowell Mason (1831)  
Text: Ray Palmer (1875)  
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**\*Greeting** ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

We have come today to remember, honor, and celebrate the lives of those who have lived,  
loved, and served among us, but we see no more.

**Yet, we have come this far by faith.**

We have hope for our future because the word declares, "that though weeping may endure  
for the night, joy comes in the morning."

**Therefore, we must lift our eyes to the hills from where our help comes.**

We are joyful and give thanks to God, who loves us unconditionally; and  
who gave us a mediator, our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, who promises,  
"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die,  
yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."

**Glory be to God, we believe it and we receive it!**

**Opening Prayer** ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

Eternal God, our creator and our sustainer, we give you thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit who comforts us. In the midst of death, O God, we pray that you will strengthen our faith; give us endurance for the journey; and surround us with the faith, hope, and love of a body of believers. Open our hearts and minds, so that light may shine on the darkness, balm be laid on the wounds, and all spirits rekindled by the power of the Holy Spirit. In the majestic name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

**The Word of God** ..... *Isaiah 42:1-3a, 5-4, 13, 15, 18-19, 25*

**The Word Proclaimed**

*"Family Stories"* ..... The Reverend Kitty Holtzclaw

**Memorial Banner Procession** ..... Mr. Charles Adams and The Reverend Connie Barnes

**Special Music**

*His Eye Is On the Sparrow* ..... Mr. Craig Coelho

**\*Act of Remembrance** ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

*The congregation will stand. A bell will ring after each name is read. There will be a moment of silence as the sound of the bell fades.*

**Remembering the Saints**

| • Active Ministers           | <u>Date of Birth</u> | <u>Date of Death</u> |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Deloris Tart Inman           | April 29, 1954       | May 6, 2014          |
| Charles Ernest Summey, Jr.   | November 21, 1967    | July 27, 2013        |
| Cynthia Louise Swofford      | November 16, 1956    | July 10, 2013        |
| • Retired Ministers          |                      |                      |
| Charles Martin Blackmon      | December 1, 1921     | January 27, 2014     |
| Barry Franklin Brinson       | February 18, 1943    | June 23, 2013        |
| Dorothy Nell Cobb Culp       | March 6, 1926        | November 23, 2013    |
| Charles Loney Dunn           | October 15, 1926     | November 30, 2013    |
| Thomas Carroll Gilliam       | December 31, 1926    | March 18, 2014       |
| John Patrick Griffith        | August 16, 1931      | July 29, 2013        |
| Foster Barney Fowler, Jr.    | June 26, 1926        | May 16, 2014         |
| Ernest Marvin Heape, Sr.     | March 24, 1922       | December 5, 2013     |
| Kinsler Boyd Mack, Sr.       | March 19, 1933       | March 22, 2014       |
| Roosevelt Montravel McFadden | July 12, 1922        | January 3, 2014      |
| Melvin Eugene Mullikin       | May 18, 1930         | June 23, 2013        |
| Jack Ewell Ray               | April 28, 1927       | March 29, 2014       |
| Richard Edward Seignious     | December 1, 1930     | July 19, 2013        |
| Angelin Jones Simmons        | January 23, 1951     | February 20, 2014    |
| Theodore Brandon Thomas, Jr. | July 1, 1923         | March 31, 2014       |



- Spouses
 

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|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Ruth Delores James Adams | November 30, 1932 | August 31, 2013   |
| Brenda Kay Ivey Brown    | September 5, 1942 | March 25, 2014    |
| Martha Peterson Coble    | August 12, 1934   | December 16, 2013 |
| Carnella Arthur Frazier  | November 17, 1932 | November 16, 2013 |
| Ralph Terry Ray          | June 15, 1936     | April 29, 2014    |
| Dorothy Peach Reese      | January 17, 1928  | November 28, 2013 |
| Luretha Perry Thomas     | May 15, 1954      | March 10, 2014    |
| Doris Tooke Wofford      | February 12, 1929 | November 25, 2013 |
- Surviving Spouses
 

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| Lucy Eleanor Waldrop Boozer | September 22, 1913 | July 26, 2013     |
| Edneta J. Conner            | December 13, 1929  | April 5, 2014     |
| Betty Bacot Stall Mullikin  | May 26, 1930       | December 31, 2013 |
| Mabel Guyton Parrott        | April 11, 1910     | July 13, 2013     |
| Eloise Deaton Petty         | May 17, 1924       | November 8, 2013  |
| Ernestine Williams Robinson | July 18, 1917      | November 10, 2013 |
| Ethel Lee Lewis Rogers      | April 23, 1928     | October 26, 2013  |
| Margaret Davis Rogers       | July 1, 1921       | February 9, 2014  |
| Louise Mack Singletary      | February 8, 1927   | October 14, 2013  |
| Eunice Horne Williamson     | May 27, 1923       | August 3, 2013    |
| Mary Alice Parkman Wilson   | August 16, 1923    | January 23, 2014  |
- Others
 

|                                   |               |                   |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Oneida Soler Floyd                | June 13, 1930 | February 17, 2014 |
| Catherine Roberta (Dot) Forrester | June 10, 1928 | March 6, 2014     |

**Prayer** ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

We give you thanks, O God, for all the saints 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.

We give you thanks, O God, for hands lifted in praise:  
 Manicured hands and hands stained with grease or soil,  
 Strong hands and those gnarled with age  
 Holy hands  
 Used as wave offerings across the land.

We thank you, God, for hardworking saints;  
 Whether hard-hatted or steel-booted,  
 Head ragged or aproned,  
 Blue-collared or three-piece-suited  
 They left their mark on the earth for you, for us, for our children to come.

Thank you, God, for the tremendous sacrifices made by those who have gone before us.  
 Bless the memories of your saints, God.

May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love.<sup>5</sup>

**\*Hymns**

*When We All Get to Heaven* ..... HEAVEN

1. Sing the wondrous love of Jesus; sing his mercy and his grace.  
In the mansions bright and blessed he'll prepare for us a place.

*Refrain:*

When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!  
When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory!

2. While we walk the pilgrim pathway, clouds will overspread the sky;  
but when traveling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh.

*Refrain*

3. Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving every day;  
just one glimpse of him in glory will the toils of life repay.

*Refrain*

4. Onward to the prize before us! Soon his beauty we'll behold;  
soon the pearly gates will open; we shall tread the streets of gold.

*Refrain*

Composer: Emily D. Wilson (1898)  
Text: Eliza E. Hewitt (1898)  
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*I'll Fly Away* ..... I'LL FLY AWAY

1. Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away;  
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away (I'll fly away).

*Chorus*

I'll fly away, Oh Glory I'll fly away; (in the morning)  
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away (I'll fly away).

2. When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away;  
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away (I'll fly away)

*Chorus*

3. Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away;  
To a land where joy shall never end, I'll fly away (I'll fly away)

*Chorus*

Composer: Albert E. Brumley (1932)  
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**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*God Be With You Till We Meet Again* ..... GOD BE WITH YOU

Composer: William G. Tomer (1880)  
Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin (1880)

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Leading in Worship

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

The Rev. Kitty Holtzclaw, Broad Street United Methodist Church, Clinton

The Rev. Steve King, St. John's United Methodist Church, Batesburg

Kaitlin Allen, Acolyte

Morgan Schimek, Crucifer

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Mr. Charles Adams

The Rev. Connie Barnes

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A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

June 4, 2013

7:30 am (Pee Dee Room)

Entrance

Gathering

Prelude Mahororo
*A traditional Shona instrumental piece from Zimbabwe translated,
"Freedom following victorious struggle."*

Call to Worship

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

Opening Hymn

Lead On, O Cloud of Presence LANCASHIRE

1. Lead on, O cloud of Presence, the exodus is come,
in wilderness and desert our tribe shall make its home.
Our slavery left behind us, new hopes within us grow.
We seek the land of promise where milk and honey flow.
2. Lead on, O fiery Pillar, we follow yet with fears,
but we shall come rejoicing though joy be born of tears.
We are not lost, though wandering, for by your light we come,
and we are still God's people. The journey is our home.
3. Lead on, O God of freedom and guide us on our way,
and help us trust the promise through struggle and delay.
We pray our sons and daughters may journey to that land
where justice dwells with mercy, and love is law's demand.

Composer: Henry T. Smart
Text: Ruth Duck (1992)
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Opening Prayer

Morning Greeting

Proclamation and Response

Scripture Lesson Exodus 40:34-38

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn

Be Thou My Vision SLANE

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
3. Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;
Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tower:
Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.
4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
5. High King of Heaven, my victory won,
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Composer: Carlton R. Young (1963)
Text Translator: Mary E. Byrne (1905)
Text Versifier: Eleanor H. Hull (1912, alt.)
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Sermon *Church in the Hallway*

Hymn

We Are Marching SIYAHAMBA

1. We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of, the light of God.
We are marching, marching, we are marching,
marching, we are marching in the light of God.
2. We are walking in the light of God.
We are walking in the light of God.
We are walking in the light of, the light of God.
We are walking, walking, we are walking,
walking, we are walking in the light of God.

3. We are singing in the light of God.
We are singing in the light of God.
We are singing in the light of, the light of God.
We are singing, singing, we are singing,
singing, we are singing in the light of God.

Words and Music: South Africa (20th cent.)
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Thanksgiving and Communion

Invitation

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession and Pardon

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,
We have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Glory to God. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, our Alpha and our Omega,
whose strong and loving arms encompass the universe,
for with your eternal Word and Holy Spirit you are forever one God.
Through your Word you created all things and called them good,
and in you we live and move and have our being.
When we fell into sin, you did not desert us.
You made covenant with your people Israel
and spoke through prophets and teachers.
In Jesus Christ your Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
full of grace and truth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is Jesus Christ, who called you Abba, Father.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own
and filled them with a longing for a peace that would last
and for a justice that would never fail.
In Jesus' suffering and death you took upon yourself our sin and death
and destroyed their power for ever.
You raised from the dead this same Jesus,
who now reigns with you in glory,
and poured upon us your Holy Spirit,
making us the people of your new covenant.

On the night before meeting with death, Jesus took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to the disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over Jesus took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to the disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts,
that in the breaking of this bread and the drinking of this wine
we may know the presence of the living Christ
and be renewed as the body of Christ for the world,
redeemed by Christ's blood.

As the grain and grapes, once dispersed in the fields,
are now united on this table in bread and wine,
so may we and all your people be gathered from every time and place
into the unity of your eternal household
and feast at your table for ever.
Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

Amen.

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Breaking the Bread

Because there is one loaf,
we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.
The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

Giving the Bread and Cup

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending Forth

Hymn

Lord of the Dance LORD OF THE DANCE

1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain

Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

2. I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
but they would not dance and they would not follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came to me and the dance went on.

Refrain

3. I danced on the sabbath when I cured the lame,
the holy people said it was a shame;
they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;
and they left me there on a cross to die.

Refrain

4. I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black;
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
they buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
but I am the dance and I still go on.

Refrain

5. They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Refrain

Harmonizer: Gary Alan Smith (1988)
Adapter & Text: Sydney Carter (1963)
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Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude / Going Forth *Nhemamusaa*
a traditional Shona instrumental piece from Zimbabwe translated, "temporary shelter."

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The Rev. Michael Goldston

The Rev. Elizabeth Murray

The Rev. Charlie Thomas

The Rev. Carly Wicklund

CLOSING SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
AND  
FIXING OF APPOINTMENTS

June 4, 2014

LOVE

We Gather for Worship

**Prelude**

*O Thou Who Camest From Above* ..... HEREFORD

Composer: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1872)  
Text: Charles Wesley (1762)

**Opening Hymn**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* ..... HYFRYDOL

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.
2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest.  
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
3. Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return and never nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
4. Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.  
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;  
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Composer: Rowland H. Prichard (1830)  
Text: Charles Wesley (1747), Public Domain

**Prayer** ..... Ms. Jackie Jenkins

You, Lord Jesus, are our greatest treasure. From you comes an explosion of true love. You shatter the splendid walls of the proud fortresses of the world's great ones.

You put your hand in the hand of the weak and bring peace to humble dwellings. Where there is hatred comes the grace of the cross, where there is injustice reconciliation shines.

You, Lord Jesus, above all others, own the heart of life: You, our incomparable support, love us – and to praise you is our delight.

The clever critics wound us, and those that have prey on those who have not, but you are the light of the world, the beacon for all humanity. May we, at this hour, seek your light.<sup>6</sup>

## We Hear God's Word Read and Proclaimed

### The Word of God

*Romans 12:9-21* ..... Ms. Jackie Jenkins

### Proclamation of the Word

*"What Really Matters"* ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

Hymn ..... *How Great Is Our God*

1. The splendor of a King  
Clothed in majesty  
Let all the earth rejoice  
All the earth rejoice  
He wraps Himself in light  
And darkness tries to hide  
It trembles at His voice  
Trembles at His voice

#### *Refrain*

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

2. Age to age, He stands  
And time is in His hands  
Beginning and the end  
Beginning and the end  
The Godhead Three in One  
Father, Spirit, Son  
Lion and the Lamb  
Lion and the Lamb

#### *Refrain*

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

#### *Bridge*

Name above all names  
Worthy of our praise  
My heart will sing  
How great is our God x2

#### *Refrain*

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God and all will see  
How great, how great is our God  
Then sings my soul, My Savior God to thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.

Written by: Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Ed Cash  
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## **We Respond to God's Word**

### **Fixing Appointments**

Bishop:

Sisters and brothers in Christ, we share the water of baptism. It is a sign that we belong to Christ, to his body the church, and to one another. In baptism God claims us and calls us to his ministry.

These who are gathered around the font represent all of us, the people called United Methodists in South Carolina. They stand here representing us all. They remind us that that we share the ministry of Christ Jesus our Lord, and go forth from this place, to join Christ in this ministry.

We leave this place today as God's people, to serve him where he leads us.

To you who are clergy, in faithfulness to God who has called you to this ministry, will you go where you are sent, to serve Christ with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength?

Clergy:

**By God's grace we are called to this ministry. In God's strength we will go where we are sent. With God's help we will strive to be faithful, loyal, servants.**

Bishop:

To you who are among the laity, as people committed to uphold the church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness, will you affirm these appointments, and will you receive these women and these men as ministers of our Lord Jesus Christ, and pledge them your support?

Laity:

**We joyfully reaffirm our faith in Christ and our commitment to the ministry of his church. We will receive these persons appointed to be pastors of our churches and leaders in ministries, and we will support them in their ministry.**

## **We Go Forth to Serve**

### **Closing Hymn**

*The Church's One Foundation* ..... AURELIA

1. The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
she is his new creation by water and the Word.  
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
2. Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth;  
her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

3. Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;  
till, with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
4. Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we  
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Composer: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1864)  
Text: Samuel J. Stone (1866)  
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**Benediction** ..... Bishop L. Jonathan Holston  
*As we leave Annual Conference to return to home, containers of water will be placed near the arena's exits.  
You are invited to touch the water as a reminder of our shared ministry.*

**Postlude**  
*Rejoice, the Lord Is King* ..... DARWALL's 148th  
Composer: John Darwall (1770)  
Text: Charles Wesley (1746)

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Bishop L. Jonathan Holston

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<sup>1</sup> Thomas Smith

<sup>2</sup> Steve Granaas-Holmes, [www.gbod.org/worship](http://www.gbod.org/worship)

<sup>3</sup> *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*, Year A, Volume 1, p 172 ff

<sup>4</sup> Great Thanksgiving adapted from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*, Year C, Volume 2, p 291 ff

<sup>5</sup> *A Prayer Meditation for All Saints Day*, Safiyah Fosua, from [www.gbod.org/worship](http://www.gbod.org/worship).

<sup>6</sup> Adapted from "The Christ Explosion," *A Celtic Primer*, ed. Brendan O'Malley, 181.

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