

## EFUMC Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, August 18

8:40 a.m. SonRise Service  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
12:00 p.m. Children's Council  
Youth Back to School Bash

### Monday, August 19

10:00 a.m. Days for Girls

### Tuesday, August 20

10:00 a.m. Knit Wits-TC  
6:30 p.m. Seasons of Praise

### Wednesday, August 21

10:00 a.m. UMW Circle 7  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

## Office Hours

**Monday-Thursday**  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

**Friday**  
Closed

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## August 18 Volunteers

### SonRise Service

**Greeters:** Carmen Baxter, Pam Bishop

**Lay Welcomer:** Gary Mathis

**Scripture Reader:** Jill Powell

**Nursery:**

**Ushers:** Fran Jameson, Steve Swindoll

**Communion:** Mary Kay & Chuck Ouvry

**Mugging:** Greg Belle

### 11:00 Service

**Traffic Jam:** Judy Daughtridge

**Altar Guild:** Cliff & Marilyn Haislip

**Acolyte:** Hunter Boyles

**Greeter:** Ryan Lusk

**Lay Reader:** Kathie Waters

**Nursery:** Judy Daughtridge

**Ushers:** Calvin Clayton, Ron Fones,

Ryan Lusk, James Richey

**Visitor Registration:** Daisy Ruud

**Mugging:** Kathie Cannon

**Welcome Table:** Tabby Weston

**Technical Support:** Mayer/Waters

## August 25 Volunteers

### SonRise Service

**Greeters:** Julie & Mike Thompson

**Lay Welcomer:** Julie Dangler

**Scripture Reader:** Julie Thompson

**Nursery:**

**Ushers:** Bob Dean & Ned Jones

**Communion:** Traci Boyles, Mary Ann Jordan

**Mugging:** Greg Belle

### 11:00 Service

**Traffic Jam:** Jeff Fogle

**Altar Guild:** Cliff & Marilyn Haislip

**Acolyte:** Daniel McCord

**Greeter:** James Richey

**Lay Reader:** Shelley Fones

**Nursery:** Tabby Weston

**Ushers:** Calvin Clayton, Ron Fones,

Ryan Lusk, James Richey

**Visitor Registration:** Kathie Waters

**Mugging:** Cindi Fogle

**Welcome Table:** Gary Mathis

**Technical Support:** Daniel Correll



## Easley First United Methodist Church

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### ***Grow in Christ. Reach out to others.***

*Providing families and individuals a Christ-centered option  
in an increasingly complex and changing world through:*

*Welcoming well*

*Meaningful worship*

*Encouraging small groups*

*Training teachers and leaders*

## SONRISE SERVICE

10th Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2019

\*Gathering Song "Everlasting God"

Welcome and Announcements Gary Mathis

Prayers of the People

Sharing the Peace of Christ

\*Song of Preparation "Revelation Song"

Psalter Reading No. 857 - Psalm 145:8-21 Jill Powell

Children's Moments & Backpack Blessing Rev. Deana Gentry

Scripture Reading Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Rev. Ken Owens

Sermon "Are the Best Days of the Church Behind or Ahead?" Rev. Owens

Offering

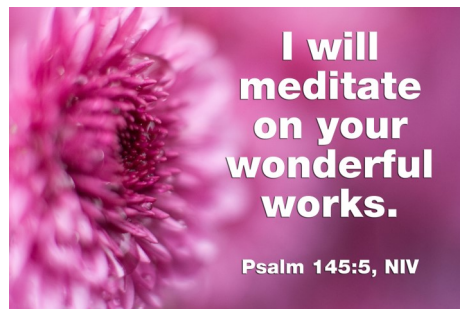
Offertory "Do It Again"

Great Thanksgiving & 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.*

\*Closing Song "I Can Only Imagine"

\*Sending Forth  
\*Those who are able, please stand.



The office will be open Monday-Thursday from 9 - noon this week. The office will be closed on Friday.

### Faith-Sharing - A Workshop

South Main Chapel and Mercy Center, Anderson, SC

August 25, 2019 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Jesus commanded his disciples to do many things. Some are easy. Others are difficult. For many people, speaking of faith, or bearing witness, is the most difficult of all that Jesus commanded. The Anderson District has received many requests from churches for help on this topic.

In this workshop you will identify ways that you can share faith with others. You will learn some principles of faith-sharing. You will begin to identify people with whom you can share faith and you will have time to share your concerns with others.

**Open to all.** Registration not required.

Where? South Main Chapel & Mercy Center, 2408 South Main Street, Anderson, SC

#### Presenter

The Rev. George Donigian, pastor of Shiloh UMC in Piedmont, will be the main presenter. Before moving to South Carolina, George served on the staff of the agency known now as Discipleship Ministries and developed resources for Upper Room Books and Discipleship Resources.

Other members of the Anderson District Connectional Ministries team will participate.

September 1, Dale Dangler will give a **quick lesson on how to operate the new T.V. in the Fellowship Hall.** Dale will be available during Traffic Jam before the Sunday School hour to answer questions for those who plan to present programs in the fellowship hall and plan to use the new technology equipment. Please stop by for this most beneficial info!

**EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY!** Where do children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? What about when a mother is struggling with addiction and is neglecting her children? Currently, over 80 children call Epworth home. Each of these children have found refuge in the ministry we share as United Methodists in South Carolina. Epworth Children's Home has been welcoming children in Christ's name for 123 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the **annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 8**, to benefit the children who call Epworth home. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life-changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, you can visit them on the web at [www.epworthchildrenshome.org](http://www.epworthchildrenshome.org) or find them on Facebook.

**Guests!** Thank you for joining us in worship. If you will leave us contact information, we will be glad to send you the weekly bulletin by email. **First time guests, please fill out the bright yellow card and give it to the “Mugger” at the door.**

**Guests with small children:** We welcome you to worship and are very glad to have your children with us! If needed, there is a nursery (birth-3 years) available for our youngest children each Sunday morning in the sanctuary building. **Children’s worship sheets/bulletins** and crayons are available from the ushers or on the table in the narthex.

Please remember in prayer **Larry Fetterly, Ina Livingston** and **Beverly Vickery**. We also lift up **Meredith Edwards**, daughter of Meg, **Audrey McKay**, daughter of the Salleys, and Diane Jones’ father, **Herbert Schwartz**.

If your group/committee or you personally are **planning an upcoming event**, it is vital that make sure that the date and space are available for your event. This is especially important as we draw closer to the holiday season. Call Kitty to verify requests.

<b>EFUMC Financial Report</b>	
As of August 12, 2019	
Operating: 2019 Actual	
Pledged Revenue	220,352
Non-Pledged Revenue	98,479
Total Operating Revenue	318,831
Operating Expenses:	(335,202)
<b>Under Budget</b>	<b>(16,371)</b>
Annual Budget	623,884
% of Budget Received to Date	51%
Non-Operating Revenue	33,444
<b>Weekly Offering Received</b>	8,512
Weekly Goal	13,000
Over/(Under)	<b>(4,488)</b>
<b>Weekly Attendance:</b>	
Sunday School	91
Worship	184

## **TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE**

**10th Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 18, 2019**

**Chimes of the Trinity**

**Welcome and Parish Notices**

Rev. Ken Owens

**Opening Voluntary** “If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee” ARR. JACOB B. WEBER

**Call to Worship** “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

**\*Hymn No. 555** “Forward Through the Ages” ST. GERTRUDE

**Morning Prayer**

**Psalter Reading Pg. 857** Psalm 145:8-21 Kathie Waters

**Anthem** AMERICAN HYMN/ARR. MACK WILBERG  
“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

**Children’s Moments & Backpack Blessing** Rev. Deana Gentry

**Scripture Reading** Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Rev. Owens  
*Pew Bible page 287-288 NT*

**Sermon** “Are the Best Days of the Church Behind or Ahead?” Rev. Owens

**\*Hymn No. 453** “More Love to Thee, O Christ” MORE LOVE TO THEE

**Offering & Offertory** “Jesus, Lead Thou On” PAUL MANZ

**\*Doxology** No. 95

**Affirmation of Faith** No. 881

**\*Gloria Patri** No. 70

**\*TFWS No. 2234** “Lead On, O Cloud of Presence” LANCASHIRE

**\*Blessing**

**\*Benediction Response** “Lead Me, Lord”

**\*Closing Voluntary** “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” ARR. RONALD A. NELSON

**\*Those who are able, please stand.**

## Calling all Youth!

Join us for a **Back to School Bash** at the Mathis' home tonight from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Enjoy fishing, yard games, ping-pong & pool and a cook out! For those who would like to have a voice in planning youth activities, we will have a fall/winter planning session from 7:30-8:00. (You do not have to attend the planning meeting to come to the party – the planning meeting is optional.)

### Other Upcoming Youth Events

**August 25** – Water Day & Ice Cream Social

Youth are asked to help man the games and bouncy stuff. There will also be an hour set aside for youth only, to enjoy the slides, etc. at 2:00.

**September 8** – Pool Party at Sandy Bandy's

## Bibles and Back Packs and Big Kids – Oh My!

**August 25**

### Presentation of Bibles

For our 3 year olds AND our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders

### Promotion Sunday

Students will promote to their new classes this Sunday.

Classes include:

Children 3 year old through 5K – The Atrium/Good Shepherd Class

1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Studying “How to Use My Bible” this fall

Youth 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

**No Confirmation Class** this fall - A Confirmation Class will be held again in 2020-2021.

## Children's Sunday School in September

3 year-kindergarten – Atrium/Good Shepherd class. A Montessori style Sunday School Class focusing on the life and teachings of Jesus.

1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Celebrating the 3<sup>rd</sup> grader who will receive their Bibles at the end of August, the class will be studying “How to Use My Bible.” Students will learn how to navigate through their Bible, learn the Books of the Bible in order, understand the difference between the Old and the New Testaments, look at some of the major Biblical stories, and discover resources that help us understand the scripture. You don't want to miss this class!

## Curiosity Shoppe

Attention Shoppers!

Stop by and check out our new look!



Sale items for August:

Pictures, Picture frames, and Beverage Glasses

*Thank you for all the wonderful donations.*

*Please continue to remember us when you have gently used items to donate.*

**Food to the Altar Sunday is September 25.** When you shop for groceries and pantry items this week, please pick up an item or two for United Christian Ministries Food Pantry. Current pantry needs include: canned meals (beef stew, chicken & dumplings, ravioli, etc.), fruit juice, rice, spaghetti noodles, corn, green beans, diapers-sizes 2 to 6, bar bath soap and laundry detergent. Collection baskets are located in the narthex and the church office.

## Attention College Students and Parents

Please help us update our mailing list by sending us updated email addresses and school addresses for our college students. We want to be able to send information about gathering etc. directly to our students. Also, if you have a recent picture of your college student and information on school, major and interest, please send that information as well. We are hoping to have all our students adopted by a member for the school year.

Send information to Tracee Simpson [tsimp1985@aol.com](mailto:tsimp1985@aol.com) or Deana Gentry [deana@easleyfumc.org](mailto:deana@easleyfumc.org)

## Adopt a College Student

As we begin a new school year, the Higher Education Committee would like to reach out to our college students, and we need your help! We would like sponsors to adopt our college students who would be willing to send treats, cards, emails and/or notes of encouragement throughout the school year. Sponsors could be individuals or small groups like Sunday School classes. We will need between 30-35 sponsors. We hope that you will join us in this vital ministry for our young adults. Help them remember that Easley First UMC loves them. Tracee Simpson will be in the Narthex September 8 and 15, to help you select a student to sponsor!