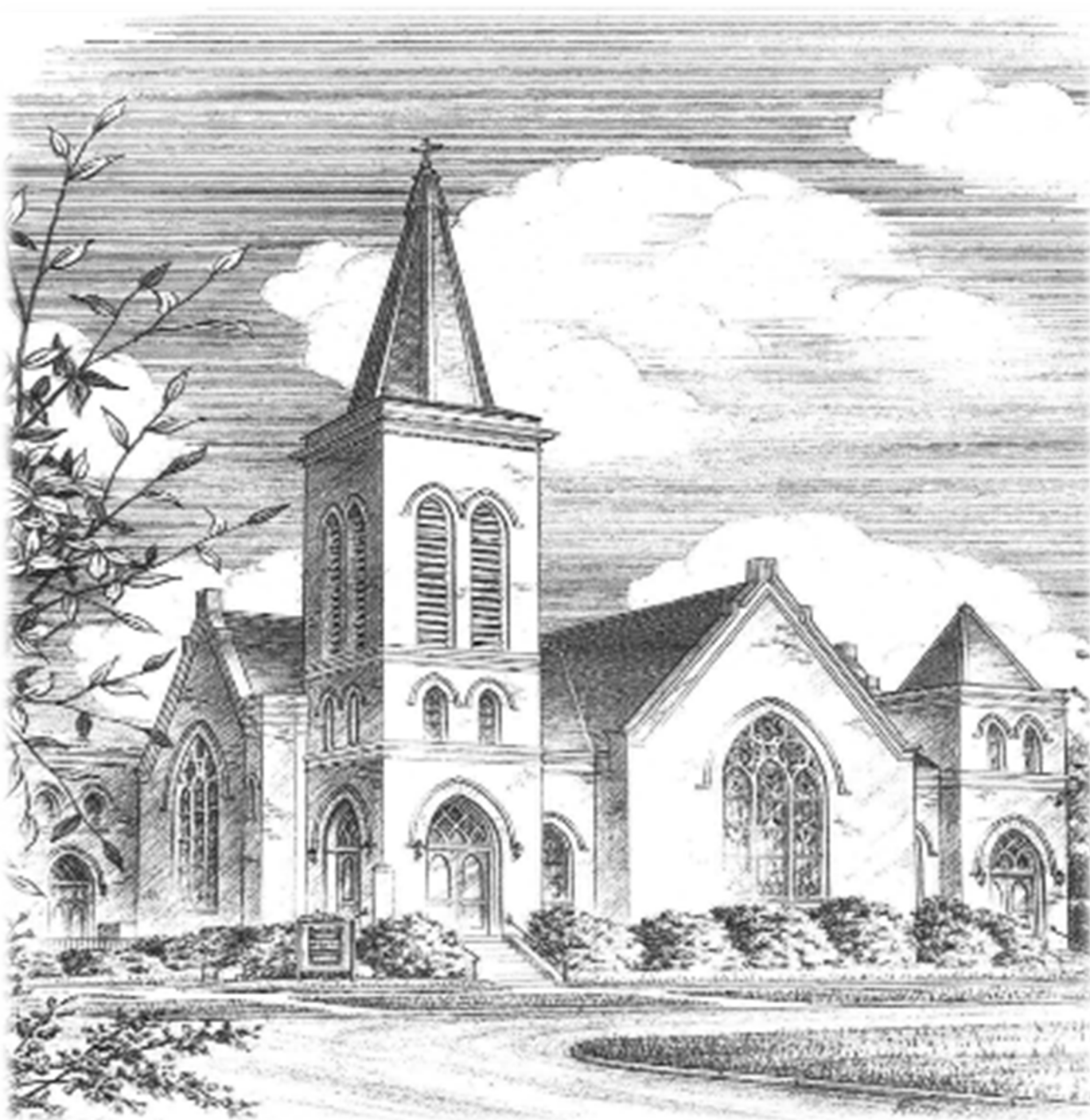


Duncan Memorial Methodist Church

Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost



November 9, 2025

**“The Security of Our Salvation”
Reverend William “Ted” Ragsdale**

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+Congregation standing, if able. Congregation responses in **BOLD**.

GATHERING

Quiet conversation among congregants is encouraged.

PRELUDE

“Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”

D. Hegarty

Please observe a moment of prayerful silence as we enter our worship time.

Please take a moment to sign the Red Pew Pad.

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

KassiJo Lloyd

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Ragsdale

Leader: The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

People: The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

Let us praise your great and awesome name!

+OPENING HYMN

“How Firm a Foundation”

Hymnal Pg. 529

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles’ Creed

Hymnal Pg. 881

*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.

+GLORIA PATRI

“Glory Be To The Father”

Hymnal Pg. 70

Glory be to the Father

and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning,

is now and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

KassiJo Lloyd

Children ages 3 years – 3rd Grade are invited to Children's Church.

VETERAN RECOGNITION AND PRAYER

Rev. Ragsdale

CHURCH CONCERNS

Rev. Ragsdale

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Ragsdale

THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Grace Flows Down”

Bell, Giglio, & Padgett

+DOXOLOGY

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymnal Pg. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 5:1-5

Pew Bible NT Pg. 155

SERMON

“The Security of Our Salvation”

Rev. Ragsdale

+CLOSING HYMN

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Hymnal Pg. 298

+DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Rev. Ragsdale

POSTLUDE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

G. Sewell

*The altar flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory and honor of God
and in honor of Elizabeth Ann “Susie” McCullan for her birthday,
by Jack Morgan.*

Weekly Calendar

Nov. 9

10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship
5:30pm MYF @ Fields of Faith

Nov. 10

9:00am Counter – Velva Ellerbe
5:30pm Pastor Search Committee

Nov. 11

7:30am Men's Breakfast
9:00am 3M
2:00pm Veteran's Day Parade

Nov. 12

5:00pm LOL & The Bridge
6:00pm Wednesday Night Meal

This Sunday's Greeters & Ushers

Greeters: Cindy Thompson, Cindy Shaw, Margaret Ulrichsen, Jan Moore

Ushers/Offering: Bobo Thompson, Kenny Moore, Louise Walters, Melanie Daniels, Jerry Broome

We are glad you are here!

Welcome to Duncan Memorial Methodist Church. May this time of worship renew your spirit, draw you closer to God, and remind you that you are deeply loved and never alone.

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 9:00am – 4:30pm
Friday 9:00am – 12:00pm

CHILDREN'S SABBATH

Duncan will be full of youthful spirit Sunday, November 16 for Children's Sabbath! Our youngest members will be leading us in worship and we invite you to worship with them. If parents have any questions, please contact KassiJo at 304-877-8690.

CHURCH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Veteran's Day Parade – November 11th: Join KassiJo and Katie in supporting our local veterans. Meet us in the church parking lot at 1:30pm or on Front Street between Orange and Broad Streets at 2pm. We will have American Flags and signs.

Hanging of the Greens – November 23rd: Stay after church to enjoy a bowl of chili and help decorate the church for the Advent Season. Send a text to 843-546-5647 to let us know you are coming or would like to make a pot of chili.

Candlelight Dinner – December 7th: It's that time of year for the Youth Annual Fundraiser. We need volunteers to host a table, donate turkeys, and donate desserts. If you can help, please call or text the church at 843-546-5647.

Our Faithfulness for November 2, 2025
Weekly Collection: \$7,475.00
Attendance: 108

The Security Of Our Salvation

Romans 5:1-11

We come to a new section in the Book– Paul points us to the absolute character, the fullness and finality of our salvation by faith. If you really believe this doctrine of justification (4:25) your salvation is absolute, complete and final.

1. Vs. 1-2, Nothing can rob you of it.

A. We have peace with God, not the peace of God. v. 1

1:18, 3:25-26 The result is peace with God.

B. We stand in grace. V. 2 *“through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand.”*

C. We rejoice in the surety of glory. V.2 *“And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.”*

2. Vs. 3-5 Nothing can shake us from it. Our greatest tribulation, the most difficult suffering does not shake us from the absolute character, the fullness and finality of our salvation by faith. **Romans 8:28**

3. Vs. 6-11 Why is this salvation absolutely certain and final? The reason why is that it is all of God.

A. It is based on the love of God v. 6-8

B. It is based on the action of God. v. 8

C. Vs. 9-11, It is based on the “*a fortiori*” argument. *“The argument from the greater to the lesser”* – If God sent his Son to die for our sins while we were enemies, isn’t it certain that he will not allow us to fall away?

His argument is justification by faith secures our salvation.

²³ The words “it was credited to him” were written not for him alone, ²⁴ but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness--for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead.²⁵ He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

Q. 33 W.S.C. *What is justification?*

A. Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardons all our sins, and accepts us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

Romans 5:1-11 Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

³ Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope.

⁵ And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!

¹⁰ For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.