



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME VISITORS: *We are glad you are here today! Please take a moment to sign the visitor card in the pew rack and drop it in the offering plate. We hope you feel free to join us again in worship!*

PULPIT SUPPLY/COMMUNION - We would like to welcome Charles Ayers to the pulpit this morning. The Sacrament of Communion will be celebrated.

MEN'S GROUP – The Men's group will meet every Monday morning at 8 a.m. at Brock Hall.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – We will have a women's bible study Tuesday morning (8:30 - 10:00). We have begun the "Sailboat Bible study". Everyone is welcome!

STATED SESSION MEETING – Session will meet next Sunday, August 23 at 11:30 am in the church parlor.

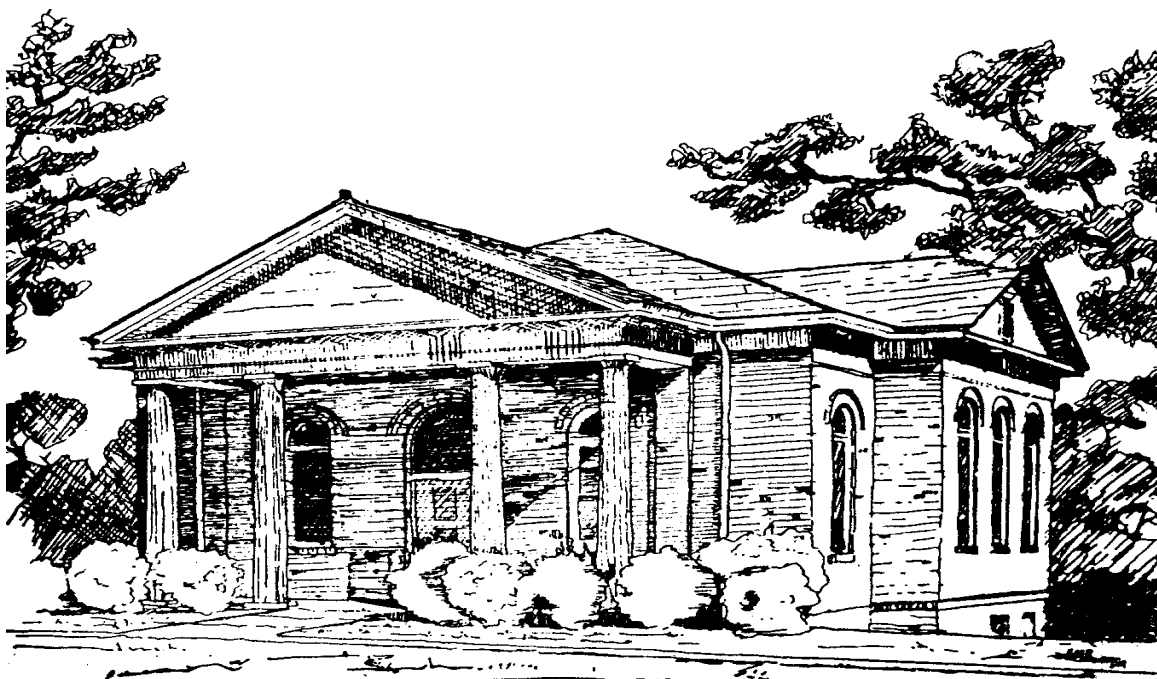
FIFTH SUNDAY SERVICE – August 30 is a 5th Sunday. Keith and the praise band will not be here on the 5th Sunday of each month. We will have additional hymns and Bonita Hubble will fill in on the piano.

CHURCH DONATION – You can now make a PayPal donation to the church by scanning the QR code below. (Open your smartphone camera and face it toward the QR code until a PayPal link appears at top.)



PRAYER CONCERNS:

Billy Griffith, Verna Johnson (Linda Rass mother), Roger King, Alex Marovich, Sarah Martin, Billy Rollings, Charles Whatley (Martha McClendon's brother).



*"Our Mission is to Glorify God, Make Disciples of Jesus Christ,
and Meet Human Need."*



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Supply Pastor - Laurretta Moore

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026

COMMUNION

10:30 A.M.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Keith Sullivan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Praise the Lord, O my soul.

P: O Lord, my God, how great you are.

L: Lord, you have granted us so many gifts, out of the greatness of your love for us.

All: We offer our words of praise and thanksgiving and seek to follow them with our deeds of love and mercy.

***OPENING HYMN**

“In Remembrance”

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Father, we do praise you and we praise your Son, Jesus our Savior. There are many blessings we receive from your goodness and love. Yet we confess that we do not praise you as we should. At times we complain and grumble, and have been critical of others, rather than loving. Forgive us when we fail to show understanding and mercy. Forgive us when we fail to give thanks in all circumstances. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

No. 623

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.

PRAISE BAND OPENING SONG

THE MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

Rev. Charles Ayers

RESPONSE

PRAISE BAND SONG OF RESPONSE

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Leader: This table is spread, the invitation to the meal is for all people, it is a gift to each of us.

People: According to the story in Luke, when Jesus was with his disciples it was in the breaking of bread and the sharing of the cup that they knew Jesus was present.

Leader: We are invited to repeat the simple meal, the simple act of sharing, to remember a gift, a presence, a hope.

People: Lord be present as we gather around this your table.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“A Brief Statement of Faith”

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*PRAISE BAND SONG OF SENDING

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

You go nowhere by accident. Wherever you go, God is sending you.

Wherever you are, God has put you there. He has a purpose in your being there.

Christ who dwells within you has something He wants to do through you where you are.

Believe this and go in His love to “glorify God, make disciples of Jesus Christ, and meet human need”.

*POSTLUDE

Keith Sullivan

***Those who are able may stand**