We Gather to Worship God

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE
(The prelude gives us the opportunity to prepare our hearts and minds for worship. We invite you to use this time for meditation, prayer and silent reflection.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Please sign the fellowship pad and then pass it to your neighbor.

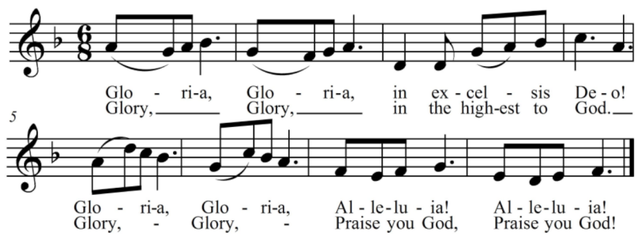
*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*PROCESSIONAL
Hymnal No. 131 *We Gather Together*

*GREETING (Leader/**People**)
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*OPENING PRAYER

*GLORIA, GLORIA
Hymnal No. 72



We Listen For God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)
Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 95: 1-7
Leader: The Word of the Lord for the people of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Anne Shelton, Director of Children's Ministry
Parents or caregivers, please sign in your children in the notebook located in the Dining Room of the Christian Life Center, Room C101, if they will be attending Children's Worship. Immediately after the Children's Message, we invite our K3, K4, and K5 children to walk behind a designated adult to the Education Building to take part in a worship experience designed especially for them. After the worship service, you may pick up your children in Room E102 of the Education Building.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Exodus 3: 1-12

SERMON **"Gathered to Sent"**
Laura-Allen Kerlin, Associate Pastor

We Respond to God's Love

HYMN OF RESPONSE
Hymnal No. 593 *Here I Am, Lord*

STEPHEN MINISTER COMMISSIONING

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
Hymnal No. 895 (unison)
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, the power and the glory, for ever. Amen.

THE OFFERING
Offertory *Lord, Listen to Your Children* arr. Jack Schrader

*THE DOXOLOGY
Hymnal No. 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.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We Are Sent Into the World

*CLOSING HYMN
Hymnal No. 664 *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE
*Indicates Congregation Standing

Join our Stephen Ministry Team!

Advent Stephen Ministry is now accepting applications for new Stephen Ministers to join our Advent UMC team.

Please print an application from our church website by visiting: https://advent-umc.org/connect-to-others/stephen-ministries/. You can also obtain an application from a fellow Stephen Minister or pick one up from the Stephen Ministry mail slot in the Christian Life Center.

Deadline for submitting an application is November 22nd. Training Class will run from mid-January 2017 to early May 2017.

Today - Advent Church Conference

Advent UMC will hold a Church Conference on TODAY at 6:30 pm in the worship space of the Christian Life Center for members of the church to vote on the preliminary building plans.

Volunteers Needed for ACT Note Writing Team

Calling Compassionate Card Writers! Please consider joining the ACT Note Writing Team. We need you to share your caring concern by sending hand written notes to ones in need of comfort, cheer, or congratulations. All supplies are provided. For more information and to sign-up, please contact Cindy Showman at cjwilshow@icloud.com or 477-9798.

Coming Up at Advent

For a full listing of events, please check out our online events calendar by visiting our website:
http://advent-umc.org/about/calendar/

We ask that each family bring a side/salad, dessert, or appetizer. Sign-up to bring food items by visiting our website at:
https://advent-umc.org/30-year-celebration-advent-umc/

All Saint's Sunday is Sunday, November 5th. Since the early days of the Christian church, there has been a day set aside each year for remembering and celebrating the lives of those believers who have gone before us. All Saints is a time when we remember and give thanks for all those whose faith has enriched our own; whose love for God has caused our own love to be deepened. We join our hearts with all who have, throughout our lives, been "saints" to us, and especially those in our community of faith who have died in the past year.

The All Saints Banner will be hanging in the Christian Life Center Dining Room today and October 29th. You are invited to pin a bell on the banner in memory or in honor of those who have been a saint to you. In addition, during the worship service on All Saints Sunday, you will be invited to light a candle in memory of a loved one. During the worship service, we will have a roll call of those Advent members who have passed away since last November 2016.

Emmanuel Circle Pot-Pie Sale Begins Today!

Emmanuel Circle Pot-Pie Sales will be available online beginning today through November 1st. **There will also be a sign-up available TODAY in the Dining Room of the Christian Life Center.** Proceeds from these sales go to help Shepherd"s Gate, the Emmanuel mission. Pies are $15 each or 2 for $25, and will be available for pick-up Sunday, November 12th, after each worship service. *You can place your order online by visiting: https://advent-umc.org/emmanuel-circle-pot-pie-sale/*

November 7th - Rose Hammond Circle

6:30 pm - Home of Joyce Arnold, 325 Woodruff Park Lane, Simpsonville, SC
All ladies are invited to join us as we welcome author, Patricia Allen McCuen to share her spiritual journey as told in her book, *Teach Your Children God's Message*. The moving memoir of a near death experience reminds us of the deep and important journey between God, children, and humanity. *Please RSVP with Judy Beach at (864) 963-0031 by November 5th.*

November 19th - Acolyte and Cross Bearer Training and Party

12:30 - 1:45 pm - Education Building, Room E119 (multipurpose room)
Join us for a Pizza Party and some great training about Advent worship! Remember you can earn points for attending training, and besides, it will be a ton of fun! *Sign-up by visiting:*
https://advent-umc.org/event/acolyte-crossbearer-training/

Serving Today at 8:30

Acolyte	Charles Braeunig
Crossbearer	Dylan Howard
Liturgist	Bill Bowman
Ushers	Jim and Matthew Anderson, Don Plemons, JC Reid

Serving Today at 11:15

Acolyte	Caroline Charles
Crossbearer	Meg Yenser
Liturgist	Ron Moran
Ushers	Rowdy Barefoot, Chip Felkel, Rob Jones, Ken Moore
Trustee of the Week	Bob Smith
Offering Stewards	Don Plemons and Jim Tindal
Parking Assistants	Brad Smith, Will Aiken, Larry Sobie, David Bell

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MISSIONS AT ADVENT UMC

October 29th - Triune Mercy Center Meal

Every FIFTH SUNDAY, Advent has the opportunity to serve a hot meal at Triune Mercy Center in Greenville. In the month leading up to every FIFTH SUNDAY, we collect FIVE items that Triune Mercy Center needs.

October FIFTH SUNDAY collection items are:
Peanut butter, individual mac & cheese, canned meat, soup, and pampers (size 3 & 5).
Please place your donation in the bin (Marked Triune) located at the entrance of the Christian Life Center Dining Room.

Advent will provide the evening meal at Triune on October 29th. Advent's Confirmation Class and their adult mentors will serve the meals. ***Donations of 17 dozen ready to serve rolls and 17 dozen brownies/cookies are needed. All food donations must be in the Christian Life Center kitchen no later than Sunday, October 29th at 3:00 pm.***
If you are able to donate food items please contact Phyllis or Jim Cashion at pcgray77@aol.com or 864-630-5506. You may also sign up online by visiting: https://advent-umc.org/triune-mercy-center-meal-donation-items/

Children's Corner

BASE CAMP
ADVENT UMC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Today - Trunk or Treat

2:00 - 4:00 pm - Parking Lot located in front of The Advent House
For questions, please contact Anne Shelton at anne@advent-umc.org.

RHYTHMS of Grace

November 5 - Rhythms of Grace Service

3:00 pm - Dining Room of the Christian Life Center

Save the Date! **December 3rd - St. Nicholas Celebration and Craft Day** - 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Education Building

Student Ministry News

TODAY - Skate with Elevate

5:30 - 7:00 pm - Roller Skating is Free!
Golden Skate in Simpsonville, SC

October 27-29th - Collision Fall Retreat For High School Students - No Elevate

Awanita Valley Camp in Northern Greenville County
Registration Now Closed!

October 22, 2017

Traditional Services

Welcome Guests

We are so glad you are here and hope you experience the warmth of both our congregation and God's love. There are greeters and ushers at both exits who will gladly answer your questions or guide you around our campus. If this is your first time worshiping with us, please speak with one of our greeters, who has a gift bag for you. It is our way of saying thank you for worshiping with us today.