

# TRENHOLM ROAD

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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OUR MISSION: COME AND WORSHIP, GROW IN FAITH, SHARE THE WORD, GO AND SERVE

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

*for*

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 3, 2023, at 8:45am & 11:00am

ENTRANCE

### GATHERING

Leader: God is good!

**People: All the time**

Leader: And all the time

**People: God is good!**

Welcome and Announcements

### CHILDREN'S MUSICAL (11:00 am)

### PRELUDE (8:45 am)

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (8:45 am)

Leader: Shout to the Lord! Sing aloud to God!

**People: God is with us now.**

Leader: Sing of God's deeds. Speak of Christ's grace.

**People: God is with us here.**

Leader: Live as God's people. Walk in God's ways.

**All: God is with us on the way.**

### \*HYMN (8:45 am)

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

UMH 203

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

8:45 am Bill & Joy Watkins

11:00 am Scott, Chandler, Greer and Grant Harris

## THE GLORIA

"The Gloria"

*To the tune of GLORIA*

**Glory now, forevermore**

**be to our redeeming Lord;**

**Praise to God, the One in Three,**

**as it was and e'er shall be.**

**Gloria, in excelsis Deo!**

**Gloria, in excelsis Deo!**

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Isaiah 64:1-9** NRSVUE

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,  
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—  
as when fire kindles brushwood  
and the fire causes water to boil—  
to make your name known to your adversaries,  
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!  
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,  
you came down; the mountains quaked at your presence.  
From ages past no one has heard,  
no ear has perceived,  
no eye has seen any God besides you,  
who works for those who wait for him.

You meet those who gladly do right,  
those who remember you in your ways.  
But you were angry, and we sinned;  
because you hid yourself we transgressed.  
We have all become like one who is unclean,  
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.  
We all fade like a leaf,  
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.  
There is no one who calls on your name  
or attempts to take hold of you,  
for you have hidden your face from us  
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.  
Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;  
we are the clay, and you are our potter;  
we are all the work of your hand.

Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,  
and do not remember iniquity forever.  
Now consider, we are all your people.

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** (8:45 am)

Pastor James

What is our prayer for these children?

**Our prayer is that our children will grow up to be like Jesus:  
strong, loving, brave, and full of grace and truth;  
and that we will help them.**

**HYMN**

"O Come and Dwell in Me"

UMH 388

**SERMON**

"A Plea for God's Presence"

Reverend Mollie Reddic

**CONFESSION AND PARDON**

UMH 12

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

*All pray in silence.*

***Leader to people:***

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!

*People to leader:*

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

*Leader and people:*

**Glory to God. Amen.**

## MORNING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*The pastor offers the morning prayer.*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Soon and Very Soon*, setting by Jack Schrader

Sanctuary Choir

## \*PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

## SCAN TO GIVE



## \*ADVENT DOXOLOGY

*“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

**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.**

**Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

*To the tune of VENI EMMANUEL*

## THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*UMH 13*

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*UMH 895*

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.

## BREAKING THE BREAD

## GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

UMH 626

### \*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

### \*POSTLUDE

*Prelude in F Major, by Dietrich Buxtehude*

#### **Worship Leadership**

Reverend Mollie Reddic, *Preacher*

Reverend James McCoy-Bruce, *Liturgist*

#### **Worship Assistants**

Kate Bozik, *8:45 am Lay Reader*

Marshall Minton, *11:00 am Lay Reader*

Bates Trobaugh, *8:45 am Acolyte*

Elizabeth Anne Trobaugh, *8:45 am Crucifer*

Analee Burch, *11:00 am Acolyte*

James Pool, *11:00 am Crucifer*

Chris Younts, *Usher Captain*

#### **Musicians**

Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir

Emma Devine, *Organ*

Eben Trobaugh, *Assistant Conductor*

Sarah Fletcher, *Director of Music*

## **ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING REPORT**

Sunday, November 19

8:45 AM - 104 people

11:00 AM - 158 people

October Financial Report 2023

Annual Budget, \$1,528,470

Month-to-Date Receipts, \$90,631

Month-to-Date Expenses, \$141,669

Difference, (\$51,038)

Year-to-Date Receipts, \$965,112

Year-to-Date Expenses, \$1,125,102

**Difference, (\$159,990)**

**Christian Sympathy:** To the Starling family, at the death of Alfred Jack Starling. A service was held at TRUMC on Saturday, December 2 at 12:30 pm.

**Prayer List:** Bob Henry, Kristin Plyler, Pat and John Bolin, Joe Tuck, Alan Stokes, Bill Turbeville, Ann Meares, *sister of Catherine Williams*, Larry Ayers, Jeff Adams, *son of Jess & Myra Torres*, Shealy McCoy, Maxine Reynolds, *mother of Amy Craighhead*, Eddie Drayton, Michael Reed, Nancy Howarth, *grandmother of Nathan Cox*, Jess & Myra Torres, Vernon Bowen, Paula Wilson, Suzanne Wise, Sharon Lentz, Robbie Bowers, Andrea Pyatt.

**Prayers for Expectant Parents** – Blythe & Kason Littlefield

**Congratulations** to Jess and Ben Gooding on the birth of their daughter, Elaine Allison Gooding, on 11/22. 7lb 11oz. Everyone is doing well! Big brother Henry and big sister Libby are excited as well.

Our annual **Hanging of the Greens service** will be held today at 5 pm in the Sanctuary. Youth and children's choirs will lead us in worship as we enter the Advent season with Scripture, readings and music. Following the service, join us for cookies and hot chocolate in the Dining Room.

### December Angel Tree

With this year's Angel Tree Trenholm Road UMC will continue our support of Bradley Elementary. We have gathered a Wishlist from the teachers and staff at Bradley Elementary and each angel contains an item or items from that list. Items do not need to be gift wrapped. Please leave your donation in the white bins in the foyer or under the angel tree.

**The TRUMC Book club** will meet Monday, December 4 and discuss *The Wind Knows My Name* by Isabel Allende. The group will meet at 6:30 pm in the parlor. Contact Jane Elliott - [jelliott24@att.net](mailto:jelliott24@att.net).

### Wednesday night, December 6 meal – 5:30pm in the Gym

Adult meals are \$10. Kids meals are \$7. Family meals are \$27.  
Adults: Chicken tetrazzini, vegetables, bread, salad and dessert  
Kids: Marco's pizza, corn, carrots, apple slices and dessert

An Old-Fashioned  
*Christmas Luncheon*  
for the ladies of TRUMC

Covered-Dish provided by the  
Circles of the United Women in Faith

*Sunday, December 10th*  
12:30 pm - Dining Room



*\*No registration required  
Donations accepted*

JOIN US FOR A  
BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR  
JESUS!

Everyone is invited to the  
Gym for dinner, fellowship,  
fun and celebration.  
Activities for children and  
adults!

Bring your presents for Jesus! We will be  
taking up donations of garbage bags, paper  
towels and laundry detergent, benefiting  
Family Promise of the Midlands!

December 13th, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Please join us for a Birthday Party for Jesus, Wednesday, December 13, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00p.m. in the Gym. We will have a gingerbread decorating contest and games for children and youth. We will have card making and writing activity for adults for shut ins and home bound members of our congregation (youth lounge).

**Poinsettia order forms are located in the narthex & west foyer. The deadline for orders is Dec. 13.**

**Lessons and Carols** - The Sanctuary Choir will present its annual Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols, accompanied by a string quartet, on Sunday, December 17, at both the 8:45 am & 11:00 am services. No Little Church on Sunday, December 17.

**Christmas Eve** - Join us on Sunday, December 24, as we celebrate the fourth Sunday of Advent in traditional worship with the Palmetto Brass at 11:00 am. A Children's Christmas Eve service will be held at 3:00 pm in the sanctuary, and our Christmas Eve Candlelight service with communion, candles and choir will begin at 5:00 pm in the sanctuary.

### **Children and Youth Updates**

**Wednesday, December 6:** Discipleship- 6:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.- Gift making with children, upstairs in the LM building.

**Sunday, December 10:** Middle School Boy's Bible Study 4:00 p.m.- offsite and UMYF- 5:30-7:00 p.m.- Ornament making for Family Promise in the youth lounge.

**Sunday, December 17:** UMYF Christmas Party, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the youth lounge.

**Friday December 22:** Youth Game Night, 7:00 p.m.- 12: 00 a.m. Email Linda to sign up. youth@trumc.org

**Sunday, December 31:** One Sunday School Class, wear your Pjs! 9:45-10:45a.m. in the youth lounge.

### **Confirmation begins in January!**

For more information and to sign up, scan the QR code below or contact Linda – [youth@trumc.org](mailto:youth@trumc.org). Confirmation is for any current 7th grade student or any 8th grade student that may have missed in years past! 2024.



**Stewardship Update: Thank you for your generosity during the past two weeks.** We have received 131 pledges against a goal of 220 by year-end. These pledges bring us to \$955,167 as of mid-week. We have ambitious plans for 2024 and encourage those who have not yet chosen to pledge to consider what Trenholm Road means to you and to our community. We are a powerful and generous congregation, and we look forward to our continued momentum.

**Thank you again for your generosity.**

### **Family Promise of the Midlands Information Sessions**

As Family Promise of the Midlands (FPM) approaches its 10th anniversary, Trenholm Road, as one of FPM's founding congregations, has continued to support the mission of serving families with children who are experiencing homelessness in our community.

There are exciting changes in how FPM will operate in 2024. Please join us on Sunday December 17 immediately following each worship service for a 15-minute information session in the sanctuary to learn about the new Big-12 Model that features multiple ways that you and Trenholm Road can support this critical missions effort. If you are unable to attend and would like more information, please contact Walter Caudle at [waltercaudle@gmail.com](mailto:waltercaudle@gmail.com).

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Renee Foxe



**Welcome to Trenholm Road United Methodist Church!**

We are so glad to have you here today. We want to make sure that everyone is comfortable during worship. Please note that there are restrooms located on the main hallway before entering the sanctuary. For your convenience, there is also a water fountain located in the West Foyer. While you're in the West Foyer Welcome Center, be sure to pick up a copy of our newsletter and devotionals.

Nursery care is available for children 6 weeks through 4 years old on Sunday mornings.

Nursery care is available during all worship services and Sunday School times. Children under 2 are invited to stay in MB 19 and 2 years through 4 years in MB 12.

These rooms are on the bottom floor of the main building.

Two traditional worship services are held each Sunday at 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM.

Sunday school class is at 9:45 AM on Sunday mornings.

All are welcome