

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Scan the QR code to the right for additional announcements, upcoming events for all ages, and opportunities to serve here at Memorial and within our community.



**THE BEST GIFT WE CAN GIVE A PASTOR:** Pastor George has suggested that the very best gift we can give our new pastor is an updated electronic directory with pictures. Help us make that happen! We will have someone stationed before and after each worship service for every Sunday in May to take your picture, and we will upload them to Realm the following week. No sign up or registration ahead of time needed. We hope this will help Pastor David as he gets to know our church family.

**REALM DIRECTORY CONTACT INFORMATION:** Beginning June 1, we will make church members' contact information available to all Realm users as a part of the digital directory. Only Memorial members have access to Realm and will be able to see this information. If you prefer to keep your contact information private and NOT available to other church members, please let Tawny Johnson know prior to June 1st.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The congregation is invited to place flowers on the sanctuary altar any Sunday. In the past, flowers have been given "in memory of" or "in honor of" a loved one. Flowers have also been given to honor an anniversary, a baptism, a birthday, or any other special event. The cost is \$85 for two arrangements. However, if you have special flower requests, the arrangements may cost more. Please call Harriet Johnson at 864-449-1396 to reserve the date and she will contact the florist.

**YOUTH SERVING IN THE SOUP KITCHEN:** Our youth ministry is serving at our local Soup Kitchen on Sunday, May 19th from 3:30-5:30 PM. They could still use a few extra volunteers. If your youth is able to help, please let Lainey know.

**YOUTH GROUND ZERO SERVICE WEEK:** All youth completing grades 6-12 are encouraged to be a part of our very first GROUND ZERO service week! Monday, June 24th - Thursday, June 27th, 8am - 3pm, right here in Greer. We will partner with a different local organization each day to be the hands and feet of Christ for our neighbors. If you can't participate all four days or need some flexibility with start and end times, that can be worked out. Registration with further details can be accessed through Realm or by reaching out directly to Lainey.

**GIVING:** Be on the lookout for the 1st quarter giving statements. You will receive them via email if we have one on file or by mail to your address if we do not.

**GRIEFSHARE:** The next support group will start on Sunday, August 18th and run through November 17th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm, with the exception of Labor Day weekend (9/1/24). GriefShare is a 13-week, support group for anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one. It is a safe and welcoming place where we share in grief's challenges and difficult emotions. GriefShare provides coping strategies, and you will hear personal stories from respected, well-known counselors and professionals. GriefShare offers time to process your grief and understand that it will move in its own time. It will help you to understand your emotions, move through your pain and build new, lasting friendships. We hope you will join us, and remember that you are not alone.

**GIVING SUMMARY**

**OPERATING BUDGET**

Amount needed weekly: \$12,895.42  
Amount received 4/28/24: \$15,723.63  
Amount needed year to date: \$219,222.19  
Amount received year to date: **\$162,929.60**

**BUILDING FUND**

Amount needed weekly: \$1,200.00  
Amount received 4/28/24: \$2,830.00  
Amount needed year to date: \$20,400.00  
Amount received year to date: **\$18,830.00**

**ATTENDANCE**

Total worship attendance 4/28/24: 190

**MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS**

**APRIL 21- 28, 2024**

**GIVEN IN MEMORY OF**

**Ralph Johnson**  
*to the Scholarship Fund by*  
*Larry & Peggy Smith*  
**Marjorie Mitchell**  
*to the Piano Fund by*  
*The Magnolia Circle*

**CLERGY & STAFF**

**Reverend George Riser, Pastor**  
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**Lainey Hannon**  
*Director of Spiritual Dev.*  
*& Youth Ministries*

**Katie Jeter**  
*Director of Children's Ministries*

**Tawny Johnson**  
*Director of Outreach*

**Elizabeth Spurling**  
*Director of Child Enrichment Program*

**Jimmy Davis**  
*Business Administrator*

**Ranessa King**  
*Traditional Worship Leader*

**Alicia Miller**  
*Contemporary Worship Leader*

**Kimberly Tope**  
*Office Manager*

**Kristina Sanders**  
*Pianist/Organist*



SCAN THE QR CODE TO GIVE TODAY

**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

**MAY 5, 2024 - MAY 12, 2024**

**SUNDAY, MAY 5**

9 AM - Sunday School  
10 AM - Worship Service  
11 AM - Churchwide Luncheon  
5 PM - Final Memorial's Kids  
Final Youth Night

**MONDAY, MAY 6**

7:30 AM - Men's Bible Study  
4:15 PM - Confirmation Class  
6 PM - SPRC Meeting

**TUESDAY, MAY 7**

9:30 AM - Prayer Group  
12 PM - Staff Meeting  
7:30 PM - Basketball Practice

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 8**

7 PM - Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, MAY 9**

No Events Scheduled

**FRIDAY, MAY 10**

No Events Scheduled

**SATURDAY, MAY 11**

10 AM - Constitutional Carry Class

**SUNDAY, MAY 12**

9 AM - Contemporary Service  
10 AM - Sunday School  
11 AM - Traditional Service

**MEMORIAL**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**MAY 5, 2024**



**Reverend George Riser**  
*Senior Pastor*  
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## HELLO & WELCOME!

We're delighted you've chosen to join us for today's service. Attendance booklets are available at the beginning of each worship opportunity to be completed and given to the ushers during the offertory. Kids worship bags are also available to enhance their Sunday morning time.

## VISITORS

If you're joining us for the first time today, the QR code is just for you! Please scan it to fill out as much information as you'd like so we can connect with you in the coming week.



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 am | Sanctuary

\*Please stand as you are able

### Assemble in God's Name

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE - They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love arr. Hayes

INTROIT - Be Still for the Presence Evans

WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

GRADUATE RECOGNITION Lainey Hannon

\*HYMN #89 - Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee HYMN TO JOY

### Proclamation and Response

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881

\*GLORIA PATRI #71 GREATOREX

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. George Riser

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: John 15:9-17 Pg. 1977

PASTORAL PRAYER

Acolyte: Tom Duncan  
Lay Reader: Kevin Duncan  
Ushers/Greeters: Kevin Duncan, Daryl Rishforth,  
Eric Jeter, and Robbie Septon

## OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM - Lord I Give My Heart to You Martin

\*DOXOLOGY #95 OLD 100th

SCRIPTURE LESSON - Philippians 3:17-21; 4:1 Pg. 1829

SERMON - "Limited Horizons" Rev. George Riser

HYMN # 618 - Let Us Break Bread Together LET US BREAK BREAD

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Pgs. 12-15

The Invitation

Confession and Pardon

The Great Thanksgiving

Giving the Bread and Cup

### Sending Forth

\*HYMN #468 - Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See HURSLEY

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE - Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts Prince

\*POSTLUDE - Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken arr. Bonam

*\*The flowers on the altar this past Sunday, April 28 were given to the glory of God and in honor of Mike & Ellen Henson by Marne, Lee, Anna, & Harold Dumas*

**SUNDAY LUNCH**

CHICKEN TENDERS, DRINKS, & PELICANS SNOBALLS WILL PROVIDED BY THE CHURCH. WE ASK YOU TO BRING YOUR FAVORITE SIDE DISH TO SHARE IF YOU ARE ABLE, BUT EVEN IF YOU AREN'T, PLEASE COME AND ENJOY!

JOIN US TODAY FOR LUNCH IN THE GYM IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP!

**FOOD, FUN, AND FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL AGES**

Sound: Jud Johnson  
Video: Jeff & Layne Austin  
Trustee: Peggy Smith  
Offering Team: Allen Lee, Peggy Smith

Philippians 3:17-21; 4:1 (JB Phillips)

17-21 Let me be your example here, my brothers: let my example be the standard by which you can tell who are the genuine Christians among those about you. For there are many, of whom I have told you before and tell you again now, even with tears, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ. These men are heading for utter destruction—their god is their own appetite, their pride is in what they should be ashamed of, and this world is the limit of their horizon. But we are citizens of Heaven; our outlook goes beyond this world to the hopeful expectation of the saviour who will come from Heaven, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will re-make these wretched bodies of ours to resemble his own glorious body, by that power of his which makes him the master of everything that is.

4:1 So, my brothers whom I love and long for, my joy and my crown, do stand firmly in the Lord, and remember how much I love you.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES

**John Martin Callaham, Jr.**

Greer High School

**Gerard Gabriel Ceurvorst**

Blue Ridge High School

**Madelyn Grace Forshee**

Riverside High School

**Hunter Janes**

Francis Marion University

**Sarah Catherine Lee**

Clemson University, Class of 2023

**John Robert Shennan, Jr.**

Furman University

**Julia Anne Shennan**

North Greenville University

# 88 KEYS

consider the gift of music



Donated as of 4/28/24: \$28,850

We have raised 48% of our goal of \$60,000



Communion Servers: Rev. George Riser, Lainey Hannon,  
Tom Duncan, and Ben Lowman