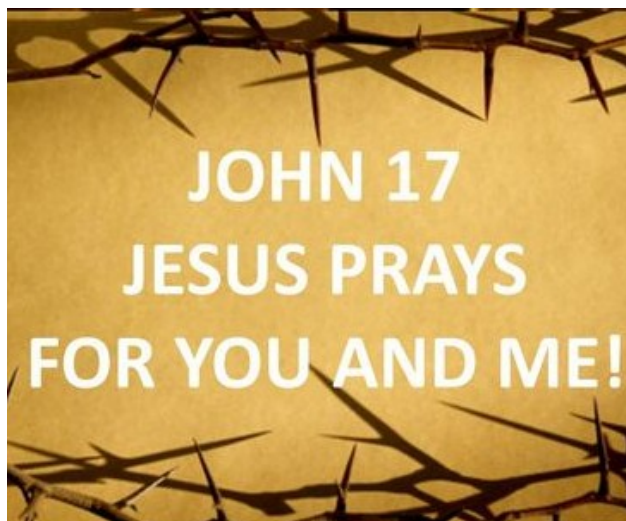


*7th Sunday of Easter
Ascension Sunday
May 21, 2023*

“Making a Difference”



Main Street United Methodist Church
9AM - Worship in the Fellowship Hall
10AM - Sunday School
11AM - Worship in the Sanctuary

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday

9:00am-1:00pm

Email Address:

churchoffice@mainstreetgreenwood.org

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**Our Mission is: “Following Christ
from City Center”**

WELCOME VISITORS!

May God richly bless you in this Service today and bring you back to be with us again. If you would like to learn more about Main Street ministries, get connected to a Bible Study or request prayer, please visit our website mainstreetgreenwood.org/connection-card/ or call our Church Office at 864-229-7551. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Graduate Sunday**

11:00 am

White

Prelude

O Worship the King
Rodney Cleveland, Piano/Will Thomas, Organ

J. Raney

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Keck

Chiming of the Trinity

Introit

A Joyful Alleluia
Handbell Choir

C. Dobrunski

***Opening Prayer**

Marilyn Murphy, Lay Reader

O God of earth and sky, as Jesus came among us in Bethlehem to raise us up to heaven, so today we recall his departing from us at Jerusalem to be in all places. Though he is hidden from our sight, enable us to abide in him by the power and grace of the Holy Spirit, until his mercy and grace fill your whole creation. **Amen.**

***Hymn of Praise**

Rejoice, the Lord Is King
Crucifer: Josh Albon
Acolytes: Emma Grace and Addilyn Scott

#715

***Apostles Creed**

#881

***Glory Be to the Father**

#70

Children's Message with Rev. Steve and Charlie

Following the Children's Message, 3-year-olds through Kindergartners may leave the Sanctuary for Extended Session.

2023 Graduate Recognition

Blessing of Graduates

God of truth and knowledge, by your wisdom we are taught the way and the truth. Bless these graduates as they now finish this course of study. We thank you for those who taught and worked beside them, and all who supported them along the way. Walk with these graduates as they leave and move forward in life. Take away their anxiety and confusion of purpose. Strengthen their many talents and skills, instill in them a confidence in the future you plan, where energies may be gathered up and used for the good of all people; for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Chad Withered Scholarship Presentation

***Hymn of Preparation**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

#384

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Giving of Tithes & Offering

Offertory

Sonata No. 4, II. Andante religioso

F. Mendelssohn

***Doxology**

#95

Anthem

There is a God
Chancel Choir

David Lantz

***Gospel Reading**

John 17:1-11

Marilyn Murphy

Sermon

Needing Each Other

Rev. Keck

***Hymn of Dedication**

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

#203

***Closing Prayer**

***Congregational Response** *Glorify Thy Name*

Spirit we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify thy name in all the earth. Glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.

Postlude

Sonata No. 4, I. Allegro con brio

F. Mendelssohn

*All who are able, please stand.



Chancel Flowers

The chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God and a Happy Birthday to Christopher, Athena, and Romulus Polk from Mary Lynn Polk.

2023 Stewardship Report as of 05/14/2023

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
YTD Income:	\$267,061	\$291,760
YTD Expenses:	\$259,091	\$291,760
YTD Surplus or (Deficit):	\$ 7,970	

Attendance 05/14/2023

9:00 Service	55
Sunday School	110
11:00 Service	197
On-line	4



2023 High School Graduates



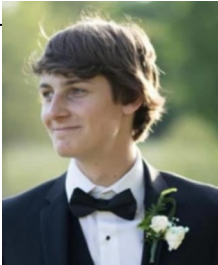
*Ella Catherine Bassett
Greenwood High School
Duke University
Major: Biology &
Global Health*



*William Nash Bowen
Emerald High School
Piedmont Technical College
Major: Welding*



*Andrew Dawson Driver
Greenwood High School
University of South Carolina
Major: Business Marketing*



*Andrew Spence Hagood
Cambridge Academy
Presbyterian College
Major: Accounting &
play on the men's golf team*



*William Hays Rowland
Greenwood High School
USC - Palmetto Pathway
Major: Physical Education*

Dylan Pace Johnson graduated from
Greenwood High School - December 2022

Cecilia Jane McGinnis,
daughter of Dr. Lincoln and Rhonda McGinnis,
graduated from Furman University with a
Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies.

Serving This Sunday, May 21

Sound System Operator: Toby Chappell

Media Boot/Camera: Tommy Chalmers/Jean Griffin

Prayer Sentinel: Glenn Williams

Acolyte Parent Volunteer: David Scott

Extended Session: Melissa Scott

Sanctuary Stewards: Lou Walters and Anne Rogers



Vacation Bible School June 12th-16th

Registration to attend VBS is on-line on our website at: www.mainstreetgreenwood.org/vbs-2023/

We also have a wish list of supplies at Amazon that we can use at Vacation Bible School. Please check this link out!

We appreciate your donations!

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/F5A3MADW29NV?ref=wl_share

Youth News - Youth Excursion 5:00 pm

Tonight, field trip to The Range! Meet in the Youth Room!

American Legion Flag Project for Memorial Day 5:30 pm

Meet in the Youth Room on May 24th to go get dinner and place flags on Veterans' graves.



Salkehatchie Summer Service June 17th-24th

Calling all Youth 14 yrs and older.

The Joyful Flock is returning...June 6th 6-7:30 pm

The Flock gathers Tuesday nights at members' homes during the summer for a brief devotion & fellowship. It's a great opportunity to meet women of the church. Can even bring your sack supper to eat while fellowshiping.



Bible Study Opportunities

The **Men's Bible Study Lunch** is on Wednesdays at 12 noon. Bring your lunch and come whenever you can!

The **Wednesday Morning Small Group** meets every two weeks at Howard's on Main, downtown Greenwood, at 10:00 am. The next meeting is Wednesday, May 31st.

The **Thursday Morning Bible Study** is on Thursdays at 10:00 am. We're studying the Book of James. Bring your Bible and meet in the Drake Classroom.

Main Street's Food Ministry

Our Food Ministry going forward will be on a monthly basis, the second Thursday of each month. We will be supplying you with a list of foods we give out in the near future so we can be ready for our **June 8th** monthly distribution. We will need your help! Thank you for your continued support!!

THIS WEEK at MAIN STREET

Sunday, May 21 Graduate Sunday

9:00 am Early Worship Service-Fellowship Hall

10:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Paul Frey Breakfast-Asbury Outreach Gym

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary

5:00 pm Youth Excursion to The Range

7:00 pm Pick-up Basketball-Asbury Outreach Gym

Monday, May 22

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Outreach Building

5:00 pm Girls Basketball-Asbury Outreach Gym

6:00 pm Mud Pies End of Year Program-Fellowship Hall

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 911-Scout Room

Tuesday, May 23

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Outreach Building

9:30 am Staff Meeting-Drake Classroom

Wednesday, May 24

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Outreach Building

12:00 pm Men's Bible Study-Library

4:00 pm Girls Basketball-Asbury Outreach Gym

4:30 pm Adult Handbells-Bell Loft

5:00 pm Children's Council-Library

5:00 pm Youth Flag Project-Youth Room

7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

Thursday, May 25

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Outreach Building

10:00 am Mud Pies K4 Graduation & Reception-Sanctuary & FH

10:00 am Thursday Morning Bible Study-Drake Classroom

7:00 pm Pick-up Basketball-Asbury Outreach Building

Friday, May 26

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool

6:00 pm Celebrate Recovery-Fellowship Hall

Sunday, May 28

9:00 am Early Worship Service-Fellowship Hall

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary

7:00 pm Pick-up Basketball-Asbury Outreach Gym

*To learn more about future events planned at
Main Street, visit us on our website:*

www.mainstreetgreenwood.org

Memorial Day

Monday, May 29th, Main Street Church
will be closed in observance of
the Memorial Day Holiday.



Pastor - Rev. Steve Keck

Gina Jolly, Director of Music Ministry

Debbie Tharpe, Administrative Asst.

Dr. Will Thomas, Organist

Jo Patterson, Office Asst.

Preston Goforth, Youth & Young Adult Director

Linda Miller, Financial Sec.

Melissa Scott, Children's Ministry Coordinator

Michael Fisher, Custodian

Allison Wooten, Mud Pies Creative Learning Director