

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 4, 2025

10:00 AM

White

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

♣WE GREET OUR WORSHIPING NEIGHBORS

PRELUDE: Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee

INTROIT: Give Thanks

INVOCATION: Ann Lewin

♣HYMN OF PRAISE: Thine Be the Glory No. 308

♣CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Sing praises to God, you people of faith.

People: We give thanks to God, who heals and restores.

Leader: Praise God who transforms us, who heals and loves us.

People: Praise God, who clothes us with joy.

Leader: Do not be silent. Praise the Lord!

People: We give thanks to our God, today and always.

♣RINGING OF THE TRINITY

♣AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles’ Creed No. 881

♣GLORIA PATRI No. 70

INVITATION / CONFESSION AND PARDON

SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II Pg. 12

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CALL TO PRAYER: Open Our Eyes Chancel Choir

MORNING PRAYER

WE WORSHIP WITH OUR COINS OF CHANGE

CHILDREN’S TIME: Lindsay Jackson

WE WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

♣DOXOLOGY No. 94

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING: John 21:1-19

ANTHEM: The Welcome Table

SERMON: Rev. Paula J. Stover

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

HOLY COMMUNION: A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II Pg. 13

THE PRAYER OF THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD’S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

SENDING FORTH

♣HYMN OF DEDICATION: My Jesus, I Love Thee No. 172


BENEDICTION: Alleluia

POSTLUDE: O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

♣Congregation Stands [Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit]

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God by Marianne Eaton in loving memory of her parents, Melvin & Ruth Bates, 83rd wedding anniversary.

Lectinary readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter - May 11, 2025
- Acts 9:36-43 - Psalm 23 - Revelation 7:9-17 - John 10:22-30



Welcome!

We welcome you to Socastee United Methodist Church. If you wish to join this church, you may do so by contacting the church office at (843) 650-3373 or email at sumc@socasteeumc.org. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

We love our new and returning visitors and ask that you please put your name and contact information in one of our red pads found in the pews.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We are a loving congregation that strives to show the love of Christ to the world.

NURSERY AVAILABLE

Nursery is available in the Fellowship Hall for children through age 4 during Sunday School and worship.

Children’s Church is available for ages 5yrs – 5th grade in the Fellowship Hall after Children’s Time.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our nursery caregiver group is down in number due to surgeries and family crises. As we adhere to Safe Sanctuary guidelines of two volunteers per Sunday, we ask that you consider joining our crew to tend the littlest United Methodists among us every 4-5weeks. Typically, we have no more than 3 little ones, often only 1 or 2. If you wish, you may live-stream the service, unless you are reading Goodnight Moon ten times. Contact Lindsay Jackson or Carly Hall for more information.

EPWORTH

NEXT SUNDAY WE CELEBRATE OUR MOTHERS AND EPWORTH! Most of the children served by Epworth will not be celebrating Mother’s Day with their birth mothers this year. Instead, they will be surrounded by loving staff or foster parents who walk with them daily to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support. The Mother’s Day offering is our opportunity to partner with Epworth to improve the lives of the children and families they serve. For more information about Epworth, visit online at www.epworthsc.org.

BABY SHOWER

You are all invited to the baby shower for Lauren Willis. It will be in the Fellowship Hall following worship service today.

SERVING US TODAY

Choir Director: Lauren Willis

Organist: Marianne Eaton

Pianist: Lauren Willis

Lay Reader: Al Wood

Crucifer: Zayne Jackson

Acolyte: Avarie Jackson

Nursery: Carly Hall & Robin McElroy

Ushers: Steve Shuppy, Jimmy Redmon
Alice Dunn, and Chip Smith

Steward: John McLaughlin

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK AT SUMC

Today: May 4

10:00 AM Worship Service/NS

11:00 AM Baby Shower for Lauren Willis/FH

11:00 AM Called Charge Conference/NS

Monday: May 5

5:00 PM Cub Scout Troop 891/FH

7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 891/FH

Tuesday: May 6

9:00 AM Stitchers/John Wesley Room

2:00 PM UMW-Upper Room Bible Study/FH-201

5:30 PM Girl Scouts/FH

5:30 PM Pelican Baseball Game/Off Campus

Wednesday: May 7

9:15 AM TLC Chapel/NS

5:45 PM Adult Bell Choir Practice/Bell Choir Room

6:45 PM Chancel Choir Practice/FH-109

Thursday: May 8

10:30 AM Thursday Bible Study/John Wesley

Friday: May 9

8:00 AM TLC Mother’s Day Tea/FH

6:00 PM Line Dancing

USHERS NEEDED

If you would like to volunteer to usher, please contact Lori Rogers at nana61.lr@gmail.com or 571-235-8701.

ADULT HANDBELLS

Can you read music, but can’t find a way to express your talent? Come join our Handbell Choir. The only requirement is to read music. We meet only during the school year months every Wednesday from 5:45 PM to 6:45 PM in the Bell Choir Room. If you are interested or have any questions, contact Jan at jterrel7421@gmail.com.

OUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT

In Hospital: No one at this time.

In Rehabilitation: Patricia Wittenbecher

In Home Visitations: Dot Froelich, Kate Eley, Charlotte Minnick, and Emily Michael

REMEMBER OUR MILITARY MEMBERS IN PRAYER

The addresses of all our military family members will be held in the office and can be made available to anyone who would like them.

♣Major Jon-Michael Farino (USAF) ♣1st Lieutenant Jacob Hedges
♣M/Sgt. Nicolas McLaughlin ♣CT4 Halle Rae Anderson
♣Airman First Class Cassie Edwards ♣SSgt. Warren Scoggin
♣Captains Jennifer and Marc Melfi ♣CM Sgt. Jessica Heilman
♣Army Ranger Private Isaac Hedges ♣Captain Melisa Hedges

BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline for bulletin items is every Tuesday at midnight. Please make sure you email your information to the church office at sumc@socasteeumc.org before the deadline. If you miss the deadline, please write down your item and it to the pastor before service beings.

UNITED METHODIST ADVOCATE

If you are a new member of SUMC, you are entitled to a FREE one-year subscription to “The United Methodist Advocate,” the monthly Methodist newspaper found in South Carolina. If you are interested, please contact the church office at (843) 650-3373.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Join us in the parking lot nearest the 1875 Sanctuary on May 18, at 4:00 PM for the blessing of the animals. Those who can keep their teeth to themselves are welcome to bring their humans with a chair and attend on a leash. Those who cannot or wish not to socialize may remain in the car. Each will receive a blessing, a certificate, and treat. Join us whether you have an animal or not as we celebrate creation and all that share the earth with us.

A LOOK AT OUR FAITHFULNESS & ATTENDANCE

April 27, 2025

Sunday Scholl – 24 10:00 AM Service – 114

Online Views – 65

BUDGETING OPERATING FUND [04/27/2025]

Received this week1,764.00
Received this week online.....595.00
Needed each week9,196.00
Received this year96,687.70

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS [04/27/2025]

Haiti Mission.....165.00
UMM.....20.00

BUILDING TOGETHER FOR TODAY & TOMORROW

“I will not offer to God that which cost me nothing”

2 Samuel 24:24

Received to complete Fellowship Hall **[04/27/2025]**75.00
Loan Balance as of **[03/24/2025]** on Fellowship Ha.l..179,243.06
YTD contributions for Fellowship Hall Campaign4,330.00
Balance of Fellowship Hall Campaign Fund.....12,171.04

1875 SANCTUARY CONTRIBUTIONS [04/27/2025]

Received for 1875 Sanctuary.....0.00
Balance of 1875 Sanctuary Fund61,252.08
Received for 1875 Sanctuary Renovation Fund1,575.00
Balance of 1875 Sanctuary Renovation Fund.....57,110.00

IMPROVEMENTS FOR PRESENT BUILDINGS/GROUNDS

[04/27/2025]

Received in Coins of Change for Improvements.....107.50
Improvement Fund & Coins of Change Balance [CIF]..18,611.84

GIVING OR CODE



In an effort to make it easier for regular attenders and visitors to give online, we have included a QR code on the bulletin. Simply scan the code with your smart phone and the link will take you directly to our secure online giving site in Realm.



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