ORDER OF WORSHIP

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 3, 2025

10:00 AM

WHITE

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE HOUR WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***WE GREET OUR WORSHIPING NEIGHBORS**

PRELUDE: *His Eye is ON the Sparrow*

INTROIT: *I Come With Joy*

INVOCATION: Janice Heilman

♣**HYMN OF PRAISE:** Guide Me. O Thou Great Jehovah No. 127

♣CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Set your minds on things that are above,

People: not on things that are on earth,

Leader: for you have died,

People: and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

*RINGING OF THE TRINITY

INVITATION / CONFESSION AND PARDON -

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PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CALL TO PRAYER: Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

MORNING PRAYER

WE WORSHIP WITH OUR COINS OF CHANGE

CHILDREN'S TIME: Lindsay Jackson

WE WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: Let Us Break Bread

*DOXOLOGY

No. 94

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, by your Spirit enlighten us; illumine us; inspire us; not for our sakes, but for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom we live.

Amen

GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:13-21 **ANTHEM**: *The Communion Song*

SERMON:

Paula J. Stover

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

No. 881

♣GLORIA PATRI

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THE PRAYER OF THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

SENDING FORTH

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*HYMN OF DEDICATION: Close to Thee **BENEDICTION:** Seven Fold Amen

POSTLUDE: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

♣ 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 Jimmy & Suan Redmon in memory of their lost loved ones.

Lectionary readings for: - August 10, 2025

- Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 and Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
 - Genesis 15:1-6 and Psalm 33:12-22
- Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16- Luke 12:32-4 Preaching John 5:1-9





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 rear of the sanctuary for children through age 4 during Sunday School and worship.

Children's Church is available for ages $4yrs - 3^{rd}$ grade in the Fellowship Hall after Children's Time.

SUNDAY SUMMER BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

The Hospitality Committee will offer milk, juice, coffee, pastries, and fruit in the Fellowship Hall from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM, each Sunday as a time to fellowship together before we worship together.

SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS

Thank you to all who have signed up to place flowers in the sanctuary.

NEXT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINS AUG 5TH

Join us for Max Lucado's, What Happens Next, 6-week bible study beginning on August 5, in Fellowship Hall, room 201, at 2pm. This study provides a reassuring overview of scripture during times when the world feels fragile. If interested, contact Dale Willoughby.

ALDERSGATE SPECIAL NEEDS SUNDAY: AUGUST 10, 2025

Rev. Linda Dunn of the Aldersgate Special Needs Board will be present to share with us the valuable work carried on by this UMC ministry. There will be a special offering to support this ministry that day.

Line Dancing

Line Dancing will resume on Friday, August 8, at 6:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. All adults are welcome to participate.

SERVING US TODAY

Choir Director: Lauren Willis Organist: Marianne Eaton Pianist: Lauren Willis Lay Reader: Mary Ann Graham Crucifer: Zayne Jackson Avarie Jackson Acolyte:

Ushers: Steve Shuppy, Sunny Fry, Alice Dunn, and

Ginger Ford

Chip Smith Steward:

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK AT SUMC

Today: August 3 10:00 AM Worship Service/NS

Tuesday: August 5

9:00 AM Stitcher's/John Wesley Upper Room Bible Study/FH 201 2:00 PM

Wednesday: August 6

5:30 PM VBS Wednesday/FH

Chancel Choir Practice/FH-109 6:45 PM

Thursday: August 7

10:30 AM Thursday Bible Study/John Wesley

Friday: August 8

6:00 PM Line Dancing/FH

USHERS NEEDED

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

DISCIPLE 1 BIBLE STUDY: FAST TRACK (see insert)

SUMC will be offering Disciple 1 Bible Study: Fast Track on Wednesdays from 4:00 PM to 5:15 PM, beginning in September. Over 24 weeks, it will cover a large portion of the Bible with daily readings and lessons, and weekly meetings to share those insights. We will ALSO need willing hands to help with children for those weekly meetings, so our young families have a chance to participate. If you are interested, please call or text Sunny Fry at 843-421-4589.

UNITED METHODIST ADVOCATE

If you are a new member of SUMC, you are entitled to a FREE oneyear 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.

SINGLE SENIORS

The next Single Seniors outing is on Thursday, August 7, at Palm33, in Murrelets Inlet, at 5:30 PM. Please let Al or Joann know if you will attend so they can make the reservation.

OUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT

In Hospital: No one at this time

In Rehabilitation: No one at this time

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) ♣CT4 Halle Rae Anderson
- ♣Captains Jennifer and Marc Melfi ♣SSgt. Warren Scoggin
- ♣Airman First Class Cassie Edwards ♣CM Sgt. Jessica Heilman
- ♣Captain Melisa Hedges
- ♣M/Sgt. Nicolas McLaughlin
- ♣Specialist Isaac Hedges

FELLOWSHIP HALL KITCHEN USE

ATTENTION: All who use the Kitchen. Please remember to launder any used towels, potholders, aprons, and any other goods used during your time in the Kitchen. Return these laundered items folded, to their proper location. Also, please take your trash to the dumpster and leave the kitchen clean, swept, and mopped. Thank you for helping keep our Kitchen area clean for all.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline for all 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 give it to the pastor before service begins so she can announce it.

OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in serving in a leadership position now or in the future and/or on a committee, please let Pastor Paula know as she prepares for the work of the Nominations and Leadership Development committee's work this year prior to Charge Conference.

If you feel a nudge but don't know where you are gifted to serve, Pastor Paula can help you determine that as well as answer questions.

Please be in prayer about the way you might be gifted to serve and also for the work of the Nominations committee.

Potential areas of service:

Trustees

Finance

Staff Parish Relations

Education

Missions

Worship

Hospitality - Martha's (fellowship/food)

- Special Friends (visitation)

A LOOK AT OUR FAITHFULNESS & ATTENDANCE

July 27, 2025

Sunday School – 8 10:00 AM Service – 88 VBS - 50Online Views – 100

BUDGETING OPERATING FUND 107/27/20251

Received this week	2,962.00	
Received this week online	475.00	
Received this year	205,521.60	
Operating expenses thru June 2025	225,063.04	
Carryover Funds used YTD	29,133.24	
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OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS [07/27/2025]

Upper Room	12.00
Haiti	
Memorial Fund (Jane Truitt)	100.00
School Supplies Mission	
Dollars for Scholars (James Herring)	1,000.00
Facility Rental	

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 [07/27/2025]	250.00	
Loan Balance as of [06/23/2024] on Fellowship Hall	171,939.00	
Balance of Fellowship Hall Campaign Fund	1135.00	
YTD contributions for Fellowship Hall Campaign	6775.00	
1875 SANCTURARY CONTRIBUTIONS [07/27/2025]		
Received for 1875 Sanctuary	50.00	
Balance of 1875 Sanctuary Fund	575.00	

IMPROVEMENTS FOR PRESENT BUILDINGS/GROUNDS [07/27/2025]

Received in Coins of Change for Improvements......46.00 Improvement Fund & Coins of Change Balance [CIF]..19,585.84

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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