## Calendar

***Sunday, October 11***

8:45 AM Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
10:00 AM Sunday School for all Ages (Various)
11:00 AM The Table Worship Service (Sisk Hall)
11:00 AM Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
12:15 PM Basketball Coaches' Training (Truluck)
12:15 PM Bridge Ministry Meeting (Ministry Office Conference Room)
12:15 PM Safe Sanctuary Training (Room 100)
5:30 PM Sprouts (Children's Hall)
5:30 PM Confirmation (Youth Hall)
5:30 PM Meet at the Street / InHouse (Youth Hall)

***Monday, October 12***

10:30 AM *Profoundly Christian, Distinctly Methodist* Small Group (Room 217A)
3:00 PM Archives Committee Meeting (Archives Room)
5:30 PM *Feeding the Soul* Coed Small Group (Room 217A)

***Tuesday, October 13***

9:30 AM Nan Ivester Fellowship Group (Truluck)
9:30 AM Well Balanced for Seniors Exercise Group (Drake Hall)
10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Prayer Group (Prayer Chapel)
1:00 PM Pickleball (Drake Hall)
5:30 PM Engagement Committee Meeting (Room 100)
5:30 PM Evangelism Committee Meeting (Room 102)
6:30 PM *In Church As It Is In Heaven* Coed Small Group (Virtual)

***Wednesday, October 14***

6:00 AM Next Level Bible Study (Room 100)
9:30 AM MomCo (Rooms 100, 114 and LL02)
10:00 AM *What Does It Mean to be Chosen?* Coed Small Group (Room 102)
10:00 AM Congregational Care Committee Meeting (Truluck)
3:00 PM Circles (Truluck and Various)
6:00 PM *Study of the Book of James* Coed Small Group (Offsite)
6:30 PM *God-Fellas* Men's Small Group (Room 100)
6:45 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

***Thursday, October 15***

9:30 AM Well Balanced for Seniors Exercise Group (Drake Hall)
10:00 AM *Covenant Promises* Coed Small Group (Room 100)
10:00 AM *He Speaks to Me* Women's Small Group (Room 217A)
12:00 PM Nominations Committee Meeting (Room 217A)

***Friday, October 16***

7:00 AM *DCD Bible Study* Men's Small Group (Offsite)
7:00 AM *M&M Breakfast Club* Men's Small Group (Offsite)
10:00 AM *Art Enthusiasts* Coed Small Group (Room 217A)

***Saturday, October 17***

No Events Scheduled

## Flowers

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, **Fred and Jean Cooley** and **Max and Thelma Francisco**, by Kimberly and Don Cooley.

*If you would like to offer an altar flower arrangement in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact Judy Suggs, jusuggs@gmail.com. We are especially grateful for arrangements offered during the months of October and November.*

# *Welcome to Buncombe Street Methodist Church*

## Worship Services

*Traditional Worship* 8:45 AM & 11:00 AM

*The Table Worship* 11:00 AM

## Clergy

The Reverend
Lonnie Pittman
*Senior Pastor*

The Reverend
Grover Putnam
*Pastor of Congregational Care*

The Reverend
Chris Ashley
*Pastor of Adult Discipleship*

The Reverend
Angie Gage
*Pastor of Missions & Evangelism*

The Reverend
Janice Holliday
*Pastor Emeritus*

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## The Centering Words

In 1 Samuel 17:40-50, David steps onto the battlefield armed not with the weapons of a soldier, but with confidence in God's presence and power. While Goliath trusts in size, strength, and armor, David trusts in the Lord who has called and equipped him. As we gather for worship, we are reminded that the challenges before us are not overcome by our own might alone, but by faith in the God who goes before us. Let us center our hearts on the One who gives courage in the face of fear and victory where the world sees only impossibility.

## The Greeting

## *The Passing of the Peace of Christ

## The Chiming of the Hour

## The Voluntary

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing!" Dobrinski
BSMC Carillon Choir
R. Vance Jenkins, *Director of Music & Principal Organist*

## *The Hymn of Procession OGRP 35

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" EIN' FESTE BURG

## *The Collect

**Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## *The Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and*
*to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning,*
*is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

## The Prayers of the People

**An asterisk noted in the Order of Worship indicates a time to stand. Please stand as you are able.*

## The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## *The Offertory Hymn OGRP 150

"All the Way My Savior Leads Me" ALL THE WAY

## *The Offertory Prayer

Gracious God, as David stepped forward with faith, trusting not in the strength of armor but in Your power, so we bring these gifts before You today. Take what we offer and use it for Your purposes, that acts of courage, compassion, and faithful witness may overcome fear and despair in our world. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Offertory

Meditation on BEECHER Setting, Lamb
BSMC Carillon Choir

## The Choral Anthem

"In the Name of the Lord" (8:45 AM) Gather/Patty
Madeline Simon, *Soprano*

"A Jubilant Song!" (11:00 AM) Pote
BSMC Chancel Choir

## *The Doxology OGRP 682 OLD 100TH

*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. Amen.*

## The Lesson from the Old Testament 1 Samuel 17:40-50

## The Sermon Five Stones: "Achieving Victory"

The Reverend Lonnie Pittman, *Senior Pastor*

## *The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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## The Invitation to Communion

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who truly love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, who dwell in charity with their neighbors, and intend to live a holy life. Draw near with faith and take this holy sacrament to your comfort, making your humble confession to Almighty God. Let us pray.

## The Confession

**Almighty and most merciful God, we confess and lament that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. Because the remembrance of our sin is more than we can bear, have mercy on us and forgive us. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, pardon us of all that is past and grant that we may ever serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**
*(time of silent confession)*

## The Pardon

In his great mercy, our Almighty God and heavenly Father has promised forgiveness of sins to all who repent and with true faith turn to him. May he have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right and good to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right and our joy to give thanks to you in all places and at all times, Almighty Father. You are the source of all truth, life, and love. You made us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When in our sinfulness we turned away from you and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God and called us to new life in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, we praise you with the angels and archangels, and all the company of heaven, forever singing this hymn to the glory of your name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## The Prayer of Consecration

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate this memorial of our redemption, O Father, receiving these gifts of bread and wine with thanksgiving for the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for us the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit, make us one with Christ and one as your church, that Christ may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ and gather us together with all your saints in the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face. We ask this through your Son, who with you and the Holy Spirit in your holy church be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

## The Giving of the Bread and Cup

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, given for you. May it preserve your body and soul to everlasting life.

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you.

## The Prayer after Communion

**Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

## *The Recessional Hymn OGRP 119

"Victory in Jesus" HARTFORD

## *The Blessing of the People

## *The Choral Benediction (11:00 AM)

## *The Chiming of the Holy Trinity

## *The Organ Postlude

"Lift High The Cross" Setting, Young