

**Hopewell United Methodist Church**

*April 26, 2020*

***We're glad to have the opportunity to worship with you today!***

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**The Prelude**                    *Holy, Holy, Holy/How Firm*                    *Handbells*

**The Welcome Announcements**

**The Songs of Praise**                    *Grace Like Rain*                    *Praise Team*  
*My Lighthouse*

**The Morning Prayer**

**The Hymn**                    *Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life*                    *The Borton's*

**The Psalm of Centering**                    *Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19*

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Scripture Lessons**    *Acts 2:14a, 36-41 / 1 Peter 1:17-23*

**The Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

**The Reading of the Gospel Lesson**                    *Luke 24:13-35*

**The Special Music**                    *Lord of the Dance*                    *Ukulele's*

**The Message**                    *Rev. Donald R. Brown, pastor*  
*"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Dinner"*

**The Affirmation of Faith**                    *The Apostle's Creed*

**The Parting Song**                    *Beth Lowe*  
*They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

**The Benediction**

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**Mid-Week Learning Center Chapel Online**

Pastor Don will host a mid-week chapel/story time for children and any who would like to watch via the church Facebook page using Facebook Live each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. beginning this week. If you do not have a Facebook account simply follow the directions on the church webpage.

**Bishop Extends Online Worship**

Bishop Holston has decided to extend our current situation through May 20<sup>th</sup>. This means that we will have online worship only. There is to be no in-person gatherings at least through May 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your understanding as we seek to do what is best for our members and community.

**Prayer Requests**

While we are worshiping online only you may easily submit prayer requests on the church website using the "Prayer" tab. [www.hopewellumcsimpsonville.com](http://www.hopewellumcsimpsonville.com) You may also call or text your prayer requests to Pastor Don directly at (864)630-0164

**Tithes/Offerings**

Please plan to maintain, or increase, your normal level of giving during this time of uncertainty. Giving is a vital part of our worship and spiritual lives as well as a critical need of our church to maintain ministry requirements. Thank you for your dedicated efforts in this area! You may give in three (3) ways:

1. Online by clicking the button on the welcome page of our church website [www.hopewellumcsimpsonville.com](http://www.hopewellumcsimpsonville.com)
2. Mail your check to the church  
1420 Neely Ferry Road  
Simpsonville, SC 29680
3. Set up automated checking with your bank. Your bank can direct you how to do this.

**Online Bible Study**

Pastor Don is facilitating an online discussion on the **book of James** in the New Testament on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. Each week we will discuss just one chapter. This week we will discuss **chapter 4**. Register by clicking the button in the "announcements" page of the church website.