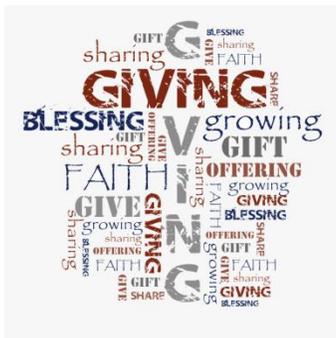


IN PERSON WORSHIP

Tabernacle is forming a new committee to review guidelines for the restart of our in-person worship services. If you would like to share your ideas or concerns, please email them to Tricia- triciabrown@comporium.net and they will be shared with the committee.

After reviewing guidelines and safety concerns from public health officials and state leaders, Bishop Holston has recommended that worship and other in-person gatherings can resume in the South Carolina Conference beginning June 14. As this date approaches, we will continue to follow all guidelines set forth.



Please continue to support your church financially during the upcoming weeks. The obligations of the church continue and your tithes and offerings are important. Please mail your offering to

the church at 5908 Tabernacle Road (the mailbox is checked daily), or reach out to Jodie Plyler and arrangements can be made to pick it up. Thank you!



HOPE IN LANCASTER-

Monetary donations are needed during this time. You may donate online, mail payment directly to HOPE, or write a check to

Tabernacle UMC (memo HOPE), and we will cut a check and send to them. Thank you!

<https://www.hopeinlancaster.org/donations/>

HOPE in Lancaster - PO Box 166
Lancaster, SC 29721

If you have any pastoral needs or concerns please contact Pastor Larry,
(704) 465-7853

2020 LUNCH BUNCH SCHEDULE

We will not meet this month.

We will keep you updated on our future gatherings.



Meals on Wheels continue to deliver meals and supplies to members of our community who are homebound.

Tabernacle Delivery Schedule

June 8-12

June 29-July 2 (no delivery on July 3)

Wheelchair Donation

Tabernacle has been given two wheelchairs to be used by any member who may need one. If you have need of one, please see Tricia. We are very grateful for the Parker family's gift.

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalm 51:10

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston, resident bishop of the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church, released this statement regarding the latest guidance in response to the coronavirus pandemic in our state:

Friends, I continue to be inspired by the creative ways the churches of the South Carolina Conference have responded to the ongoing challenges posed by the coronavirus pandemic. Your commitment to our mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world and your care for one another are evident in so many ways. South Carolina United Methodists are truly seeking a more excellent way – following God beyond the bounds of expectations.

In consultation with the Cabinet and according to the latest guidance from public health officials, I am strongly recommending that leaders of each local church continue to suspend in-person worship services, gatherings, meetings and events through June 10. Worship and other in-person gatherings are allowed to resume beginning Sunday, June 14. The cabinet has outlined the safety concerns and guidelines for resuming in-person worship in a new resource called “[Reset | Restart | Renew](#).” These guidelines are the product of prayer, research, data analysis and many conversations with public health officials, church leaders and state leaders. Clergy and church leaders are strongly encouraged to use this document to navigate the transition to resuming in-person worship.

We have heard your desire to return in person to the communities of faith that shape your relationship with Jesus Christ. Even when the church doors are once again open and we can safely gather, this does not mean a return to business as usual. It is critical to recognize the importance of the safe and sanitary practices necessary once we return to church buildings.

Congregations are encouraged to care for one another as plans are made for resuming in-person worship and continuing remote worship opportunities. Some churches may opt to return in-person at a later date, depending on their context. We support you in making the best decisions for your congregation as you care for one another.

Moving day for those transitioning to new appointments will be Tuesday, June 30, 2020. This one-week delay allows time for in-person farewells and necessary sanitizing of parsonages. We continue to monitor developments in the pandemic as we discern a new date for the 2020 Annual Conference session – postponed from June 7-10. Our priority in this and all decisions is ensuring the health and safety of South Carolina United Methodists. In this interim time, I know you will remain steadfast in finding ways to remain in community with your sisters and brothers in Christ. Our regularly updated collection of resources to help local churches through this unprecedented time can be found at umcsc.org/coronavirus.

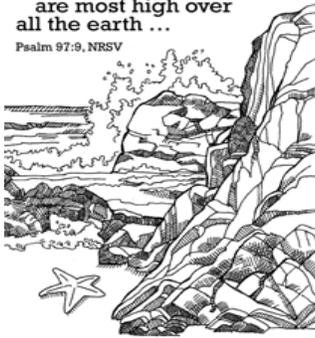
As people of faith who profess to follow Jesus Christ, we know that our call is to love the Lord our God with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. With ears open to hear how God is calling your congregation and hearts open to respond to that call, we embrace this opportunity to be a beacon of hope in a hurting world.

We renew our commitment to faithfully participate in the life of our congregations through our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness so that all may come to know and be transformed by the love, grace and mercy available through Jesus Christ.

I invite you to join me each morning – on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and at umcsc.org – as we pray for those affected by the coronavirus, for those experiencing stress, anxiety and financial uncertainty, for medical professionals treating and caring for patients and for those working to ensure a healthier future for all of us.

Grace and peace,
L. Jonathan Holston, Resident Bishop

For you,
O LORD,
are most high over
all the earth ...
Psalm 97:9, NRSV



A Kindled Fire

“I can worship outside among nature just as well as I can inside a church building.” That claim is especially common during the summer, when church attendance tends to decline.

Certainly it’s possible to worship and talk to God among his creation. In fact, George Washington Carver called nature “an unlimited broadcasting station, through which God speaks to us every hour, if we will only tune in.” And Martin Luther said, “God writes the Gospel not in the Bible alone, but also on trees, and in the flowers and clouds and stars.”

Yet corporate, or church, worship is still vital. Luther also noted: “At home, in my own house, there is no warmth or vigor in me, but in the church when the multitude is gathered together, a fire is kindled in my heart and it breaks its way through.” When we’re away from God’s house, we miss blessings and opportunities including communion, fellowship and support. So this summer, spend time in nature but don’t neglect “to meet together” (see Hebrews 10:25)!

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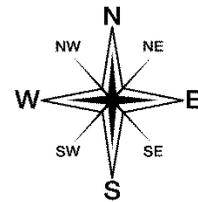
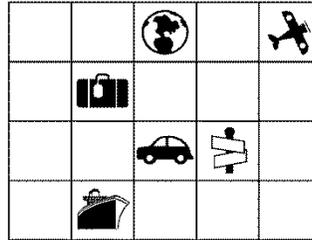


PUZZLE

Wherever we go

No matter where we journey, God always protects us.

Directions: Use the map and compass to answer the clues. Then write the boxed letters in order in the spaces below to complete Psalm 121:8, NIV.



Start at the SHIP.

Move 1 space N, 3 spaces E, and 2 spaces N _ _ _ _

Start at the WORLD.

Move 1 space W, 1 space S, and 1 space SE _ _

Start at the SUITCASE.

Move 1 space NE, 2 spaces S, and 1 space E _ _ _

Start at the PLANE.

Move 2 spaces SW, 1 space S, and 1 space W _ _

Start at the CAR.

Move 1 space E, 1 space N, and 1 space NW _ _ _ _

Start at the SIGN.

Move 1 space SE, 1 space W, and 2 spaces NW _ _ _ _ _

The _ ORD will watch ove_ your comi_g and go_n g
both no_ and for_ vermore. Psalm 121:8, NIV

Answer: plane, car, sign, ship, world, suitcase. The LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore. Psalm 121:8, NIV