

<b>8:30 am Worship with Praise Music</b>		
<i>Assisted Listening Devices are available at the A/V booth.</i>		
<b>Chiming of the Trinity</b>		Andrea Turner
<b>Welcome</b>		Rev. Dr. Suzanne Cobb
<b>* Opening Praise Song</b>	God So Loved	Praise Team
<b>* Opening Prayer</b>		Don Warsing
<b>First Scripture Reading</b>	Luke 24:44-53	Julie Scroggs
<b>Children’s Moment</b>		Danny Peck
<i>Nursery available (5 &amp; under). Activity bags and sensory items are in the Narthex. Room 109 offers a calming space with a livestream.</i>		
<b>Second Scripture Reading</b>		Acts 1:1-11
This is the Word of God for us, the people of God. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>		
<b>Sermon</b>	"He Is Risen Indeed!"	Rev. Dr. Suzanne Cobb
<b>Prayer</b>		
<b>* Response Praise Song</b>	A Thousand Hallelujahs	Praise Team
<b>Prayers of the People</b>		Rev. Dr. Damion Quayle
<b>Invitation to the Table</b>		
<b>Confession and Words of Assurance</b>		
<i>The leader ends with " ... In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven."</i>		
<b>In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.</b>		
<b>* Passing of the Peace</b>		
The peace of Christ be with you. <b>And also with you.</b>		
<i>As a forgiven and reconciled people, we exchange peace with others in the congregation.</i>		
<b>Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings</b>		
<i>Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it down the row and back again.</i>		
<b>Offertory</b>		Paula Scicluna
<b>* Offering Praise Song</b>		
<b>* Prayer</b>		
<b>The Great Thanksgiving</b> <i>Please follow the 11 am order of worship.</i>		
<b>* Closing Praise Song</b>	Praise the Lord	Praise Team
<b>* Dismissal with Blessing</b>		

<b>11:00 am Traditional Worship</b>		
<i>Assisted Listening Devices are available at the A/V booth.</i>		
<b>Gathering</b>		
Chiming the Trinity	Andrea Turner	
Welcome	Rev. Dr. Suzanne Cobb	
Prelude	Paula Scicluna	
<b>* Call to Worship</b>		
What a glorious vision!		
<b>Jesus gave the glorious promise of an Advocate!</b>		
Then he ascended to God!		
<b>What joy there must have been in the hearts of the disciples.</b>		
May God find such joy in our hearts and spirits!		
<b>Prepare us, Lord, for the mighty works you place before us. Amen.</b>		
<b>* Opening Hymn</b>	Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise (vs 1-3)	UMH, 312
<b>* Opening Prayer</b>	Rev. Dr. Damion Quaye	
<b>Lord of amazing visions, prepare our hearts and our spirits this day to receive your glad tidings of an Advocate. Help make us ready to be your disciples in all that we do, say, and think. For we ask this in the name of our beloved Savior Jesus Christ. AMEN.</b>		
<b>Proclamation and Response</b>		
Prayer for Illumination	Gwen Cox	
First Scripture Reading	Luke 24:44-53	
Children’s Moment	Danny Peck	
<i>Nursery available (5 &amp; under). Activity bags and sensory items are in the Narthex. Room 109 offers a calming space with a livestream.</i>		
Proclamation Song	In His Hands	Chancel Choir
Second Scripture Reading	Acts 1:1-11	
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Sermon	"He Is Risen Indeed!"	Rev. Dr. Suzanne Cobb
<b>* Responsive Hymn</b>	Easter People, Raise Your Voices	UMH, 304
<b>* Affirmation of Faith</b>	UMH, 881	
<b>* Gloria Patri</b>	UMH, 71	
Prayers of the People		
Invitation to the Table		

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**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.**

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 peace with others in the congregation.*

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**Offertory**

**\* Doxology** UMH, 621

**\* Prayer**

***Thanksgiving and Communion***

**The Great Thanksgiving** UMH, 15

**Lord's Prayer**

**Breaking of the Bread and Giving of the Bread and Cup**

**Songs During Communion**    Let Us Break Bread Together    UMH, 618  
    For the Bread Which You Have Broken    UMH, 614

**Prayer After Communion**

***Sending Forth***


**\* Closing Hymn**                    I Love to Tell the Story (vs 1-3)                    UMH, 156

**\* Dismissal with Blessing**

**\* Postlude** Paula Scicluna

\* Please stand as you are able.

The altar flowers are given by Mike & Carla McIntyre in celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.



Ann Jones, Billy Dibbert,  
Judy Fletcher, Leigh Anne Bowen,  
Paula Hostetter, Ann Tinkler,  
Melissa Flythe & family, Gail Campbell,  
Bill & Sharon Foster

**Visiting for the first time? We're glad you're here!**

Please text "Welcome" to 919-689-4300, scan the QR code, or write your name and phone number on the attendance pad. We'd love to greet you by text and email. Stop by the Welcome Center to receive a gift and learn more about us!



**Upcoming News & Events**

*Sign up for events and learn more by visiting our website.*

**Adult Summer Sunday School** - Join our Pastors in Summer Sunday School in room 200, through June 29. The first lessons will be from the book *"Bible Stories for Grown-Ups: Reading Scripture with New Eyes"* by Pastor Josh Scott.

**Incoming 6th Grade Families** - You're Invited TONIGHT, 5–6:30 pm for a fun and welcoming evening! Rising 6th graders will play games led by our youth, while parents hang with Danny for a quick orientation on what youth group is all about, what's ahead, and how you can get involved.

**Spread God's Love Through Art and Nature!** - Youth and adults with disabilities—join us on June 7th at 10 AM behind the church to paint rocks and plant flowers! Let's celebrate God's love and nature together while brightening our church and community.

**Grab a seat with the Tuesday Lunch Crew!** - Join friendly faces of all ages for lunch on Tuesday, June 10, 11:30 am at *The Pickled Onion*, 8511 Cantilever Way. There's always room at the table for you!

**Youth Summer Camp (Breakaway)** - Deadline to register is June 9. Students in grades 6-12, join us at Louisburg College June 23–28 for a powerful week of faith, fun, and fellowship!

**Father's Day Biscuit Bar** – Join us June 15 at 9:45 am in the Narthex for a delicious Biscuit Bar in celebration of Father's Day! Everyone is invited to enjoy the treats.

**Leading Worship Course** - June 28, 8:30 am–5 pm, at SUMC grow your skills in worship leadership in this Lay Servant Ministries course led by Rev. Glenn Stallsmith. Open to all laypersons. Cost is \$25. Registration deadline is June 12.

**Ladies, You're Invited!** -Join us this summer for great food and even better company! Come connect with other women over dinner at some of our favorite local spots. June 18, 6 pm, at Rudino's, 8800 Harvest Oaks.

**Water, Games, Friends, & More!** - Uniquely Fun Outings at Soapstone UMC are designed to have fun in many ways for youth and adults who are uniquely abled. Water games, June 28, 1-3 pm, backfield & Narthex.

**VBS Registration is open for Travelers ages 3 - 5<sup>th</sup> grade!** - Gear up for an unforgettable week of excitement! July 20-24 we're hitting the open road for a high-energy adventure, taking our "travelers" on incredible journeys to amazing places—with God guiding us every mile of the way.

**Opportunities for Worship and Ministry**

*All Zoom & Microsoft Teams links can be found at [soapstoneumc.org/calendar](https://soapstoneumc.org/calendar)*

**Sunday, June 1**

8:30 & 11:00 am Worship Services  
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages  
5:00 pm Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Grade info night

**Monday, June 2**

6:30 pm Boy Scouts at the Chapel

**Tuesday, June 3**

9:00 am Intercessory Prayer Group in 114  
1:15 pm Pilates in 200  
4:30 pm Produce Box Pickup in the Norwood Foyer  
6:30 pm Pack Committee Meeting in 101/103

**Wednesday, June 4**

4:00 pm Crafting in 200

**Thursday, June 5**

9:45 am Pilates in 200

**Friday, June 6, No Church Events**

**Saturday, June 7, No Church Events**

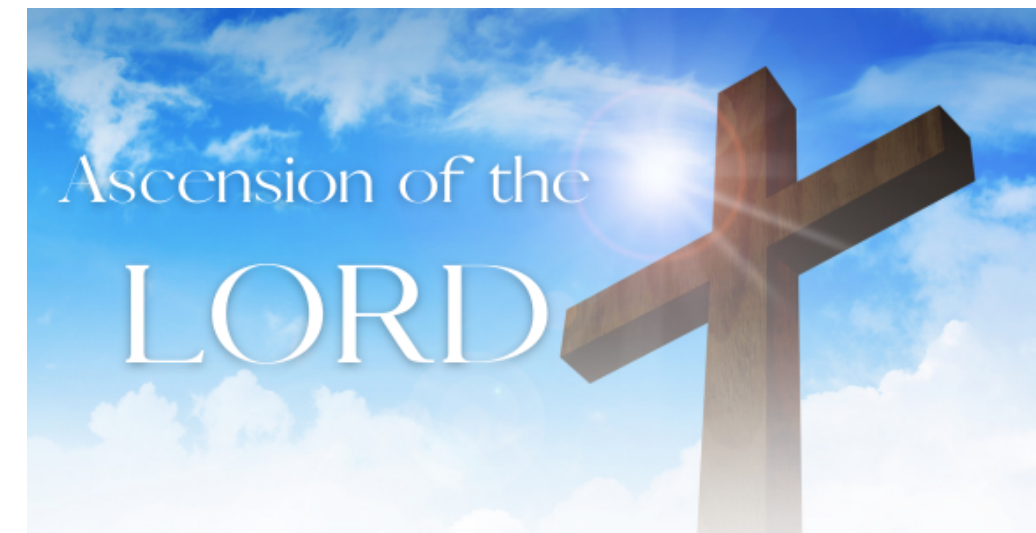
**Welcome Pastor Laura**

We are thrilled to welcome Rev. Laura Fine Ledford as our new Lead Pastor! Join us on Sunday, July 6 at 10 am for a special combined service as she delivers her first sermon at SUMC. Let's come together in celebration, worship, and heartfelt fellowship as we begin this exciting new chapter in our church's journey. A welcoming reception will follow the service.

**Pastor and Directors serving today:**

Interim Lead Pastor Rev. Dr. Suzanne Cobb, [scobb@soapstoneumc.org](mailto:scobb@soapstoneumc.org)  
Associate Pastor: Rev. Dr. Damion Quaye, [dquaye@soapstoneumc.org](mailto:dquaye@soapstoneumc.org)  
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Director of Family Ministries: Danny Peck, [dpeck@soapstoneumc.org](mailto:dpeck@soapstoneumc.org)

**Office hours** Monday — Thursday 9:00 am —3:30 pm, 919-846-2212  
**After-Hours Pastoral Care Line** — If you have an urgent need for pastoral care when the church office is closed, please call 919-256-8336 and leave a message for the pastor or staff person on call.



**June 1, 2025  
7th Sunday of Easter**

We're so glad you've joined us today.  
This is your service and your time to praise,  
laugh, cry, pray and reconnect to the ways  
God is moving in our lives. Whether you come  
from a place of peace and wholeness or from  
the fringe with a heart of despair and  
confusion, know that you are loved and  
accepted by God and his son Jesus Christ  
and through the welcome embrace of  
the people of Soapstone.



**Worship - Learn - Fellowship - Serve**

*We are a "Lighthouse Congregation" committed to living fully into our identity as a United Methodist Christian community that practices habits of hospitality and encircles all whom we encounter with Christ's love.*  
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