

## 8:30 am Worship with Praise Music

Assisted Listening Devices are available at the A/V booth.

Chiming of the Trinity	Andrea Turner
Welcome	Rev. Laura Fine Ledford
* Opening Praise Song	Build Your Kingdom Here Praise Team
* Opening Prayer	Don Warsing
First Scripture Reading	Genesis 12:1-9 Emily Day
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; children must be accompanied by an adult.</i>
* Second Scripture Reading	Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26 This is the Word of God for us, the people of God. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>
Sermon	"Go, and Set a Table" Rev. Laura Fine Ledford
Prayer	
Response Praise Song	Build My Life Praise Team
Prayers of the People	Rev. George Freeman
Invitation to the Table	
Confession and Words of Assurance	<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>
* Passing of the Peace	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>
Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings	<i>Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it down the row and back again.</i>
Offertory	
* Offering Praise Song	
* Prayer	
* The Great Thanksgiving	<i>Please follow the 11 am order of worship.</i>
* Closing Praise Song	Everyday Praise Team
* Dismissal with Blessing	

## 11:00 am Traditional Worship

Assisted Listening Devices are available at the A/V booth.

### Gathering

Chiming the Trinity	Andrea Turner
Welcome	Rev. Laura Fine Ledford
Prelude	Pomp and Circumstance Hunter Browning
* Call to Worship	We gather in the name of the One who called the first disciples from their ordinary lives: <b>Thanks be to God!</b> We gather in the name of the One who also call us: <b>Thanks be to God!</b> We gather in the name of the One who sets a table and invites us to do the same. <b>Thanks be to God, who calls and welcomes us still!</b>
* Opening Praise Song	Build Your Kingdom Here Set In Stone
* Opening Prayer	Rev. George Freeman <b>Gracious God, you call us by name and set a place for us at your table. On this day of celebration and sending, we offer you our gratitude, our wonder, and our trust. Assure us of your love, and draw us deeper into life with you, so that our lives might always be a place of welcome. Amen.</b>

### Proclamation and Response

Prayer for Illumination	Alex Tiller
First Scripture Reading	Genesis 12:1-9
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; children must be accompanied by an adult.</i>
* Second Scripture Reading	Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26 This is the Word of God for us, the people of God. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>
Sermon	"Go, and Set a Table" Rev. Laura Fine Ledford
Scholarship Committee Gratitude and Awards	Rebecca McMurry
Celebration of High School Graduates	<i>Sarah Cvetko, Allyson Deans, Evan Kizakevich, Sabrina Leale, Charlie Miller, Riley Mitchell, Emma Teeter, Alex Tiller, Alexandra Vollrath</i>  <i>When prompted, please join in the blessing:</i> <b>We send you with our love and prayers. May you find God's grace and welcome in every place you go, and know that this community is always yours. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.</b>

Proclamation Song	You Do Not Walk Alone	Chancel Chior
Prayers of the People		
Invitation to the Table		
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* Passing of the Peace	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>	
Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings	<i>Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it down the row and back again.</i>	
Offertory		Senior Slide Show
* Doxology		UMH, 621
* Prayer		

### Holy Communion

* The Great Thanksgiving		UMH, 15
The Lord's Prayer		
Sharing the Bread and Cup		
Song During Communion	10,000 Reasons	Youth Handbells
Prayer After Communion		
Sending Forth		
* Closing Hymn	Trust and Obey	UMH, 467
* Dismissal with Blessing		
* Postlude		* Please stand as you are able.  The altar flowers are given in celebration of our high school graduates.



Paula Hart, Sharon Foster, Jim Galloway,  
Lucy & Jim Mondo

**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.*

**One Worship Service, Sunday, July 5** - We will have one 10 am Worship Service on July 5. We will not have Sunday School.

**VBS Decorating Needed!** - Vacation Bible School is almost here, and we need creative volunteers to help transform our church into a fun and welcoming space for kids. Our first prep day is tonight at 5 pm, and we'll meet again on Wednesday at 6 pm. Find out additional prep dates and sign up to join the fun!

**Grab a seat with the Tuesday Lunch Crew!** - Join friendly faces of all ages for lunch on Tuesday, June 9, 11:30 am at Milton's, 8853 Six Forks Rd. There's always room at the table for you!

**Register for Vacation Bible School** - Get Ready, Challengers! Mark your calendars for July 20-23 (kick off party July 19, 5 pm) and gear up for an unforgettable week of excitement for children ages 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade! Don't miss out, register today!

**Support Group for Dementia Caregivers** — Join a group the 2nd Wednesday of the month, 2-3:30 pm in Room 108/110. Connect with fellow caregivers to share ideas and support each other through the stages of dementia caregiving.

**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 11, 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 20, 1-3 pm, backfield & Narthex. Sign up to participate or to volunteer!

**Celebrating Danny Peck!** - Join us on Sunday, June 21, between the 8:30 and 11 am services as we celebrate Danny Peck and his 9 years of ministry at Soapstone UMC. Enjoy light refreshments and help us share our gratitude for all he has given to our church family. A table for cards and gifts will be available in the Narthex.

**New Summer Volunteers (Children, Youth, or Happiness Ministry)** - Complete Safer Sanctuaries training June 28, 9:45 am, or July 16, 7 pm. If trained Fall 2025 to January 2026, no need to repeat.

**Men, Let's Retreat Together** - Sign up for the Men's Retreat to Bear Mountain, July 31 - August 2. This great weekend includes golf (for those who love to play), tubing, river sittin', campfires, camping or cabin lodging, river rock sculpting, chain sawing, hiking, story-telling, and a lot of relaxation.

**Opportunities for Worship and Ministry**

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

**Sunday, June 7**

- 8:30 & 11:00 am Worship Services
- 9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
- 12:15 pm High School Senior Lunch, 200
- 5:00 pm VBS Praise Team Practice, 108/110
- 5:00 pm VBS Decorations Prep
- 7:00 pm Children's Council, 108/110

**Monday, June 8**

- 6:30 pm Boy Scouts at the Chapel

**Tuesday, June 9**

- 9:00 am Intercessory Prayer Group in 114
- 11:30 am Tuesday Lunch Crew,
- 1:15 pm Pilates in 200
- 4:00 pm Scholarship Committee, 114
- 7:30 pm Adult Council, 200

**Wednesday, June 10**

- 2:00 pm Dementia Support, 108/110
- 6:00 pm VBS Decoration Prep

**Thursday, June 11**

- 9:45 am Pilates in 200
- 6:00 pm Women's Ministry Dinner Out, Rudinos
- 7:00 pm Trustees Meeting in 108/110

**Friday, June 12, No Church Events**

**Saturday, June 13, No Church Events**

**Pastor and Directors serving today:**

- Lead Pastor Rev. Laura Fine Ledford, [lfineledford@soapstoneumc.org](mailto:lfineledford@soapstoneumc.org)
- Pastor of Congregational Care: Rev. George Freeman  
[gfreeman@soapstoneumc.org](mailto:gfreeman@soapstoneumc.org)
- Director of Music Ministries: Andrea Turner, [aturner@soapstoneumc.org](mailto:aturner@soapstoneumc.org)
- 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.

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**June 7, 2026**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

We're so glad you've joined us today. 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.