

DIVINE WORSHIP		
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Colossians 3:16–17, adapt. Carlton R. Young		
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CALL TO WORSHIP		
+ HYMN 341	O Breath of Life, Come Sweeping Through Us	SPIRITUS VITAE
+ INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER		
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CHILDREN’S HYMN 590 8:30 A.M.	Jesus, Master, Whose I Am (Stanzas 1 & 2)	WELLS
CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION		
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MORNING PRAYER		
+ HYMN 655	O Safe to the Rock That Is Higher Than I	HIDING IN THEE
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
OFFERTORY	Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing	arr. by Douglas E. Wagner
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+ DOXOLOGY	OLD HUNDREDTH
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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION	
SCRIPTURE LESSON	John 20:24–31 (Pew Bible page 907; Children’s Bible page 1175)
SERMON “Doubting Thomas”	Dr. Neil C. Stewart
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+ HYMN 305	Arise, My Soul, Arise LENOX
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+ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 359	Blest Be the Tie That Binds DENNIS
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SERMON NOTES

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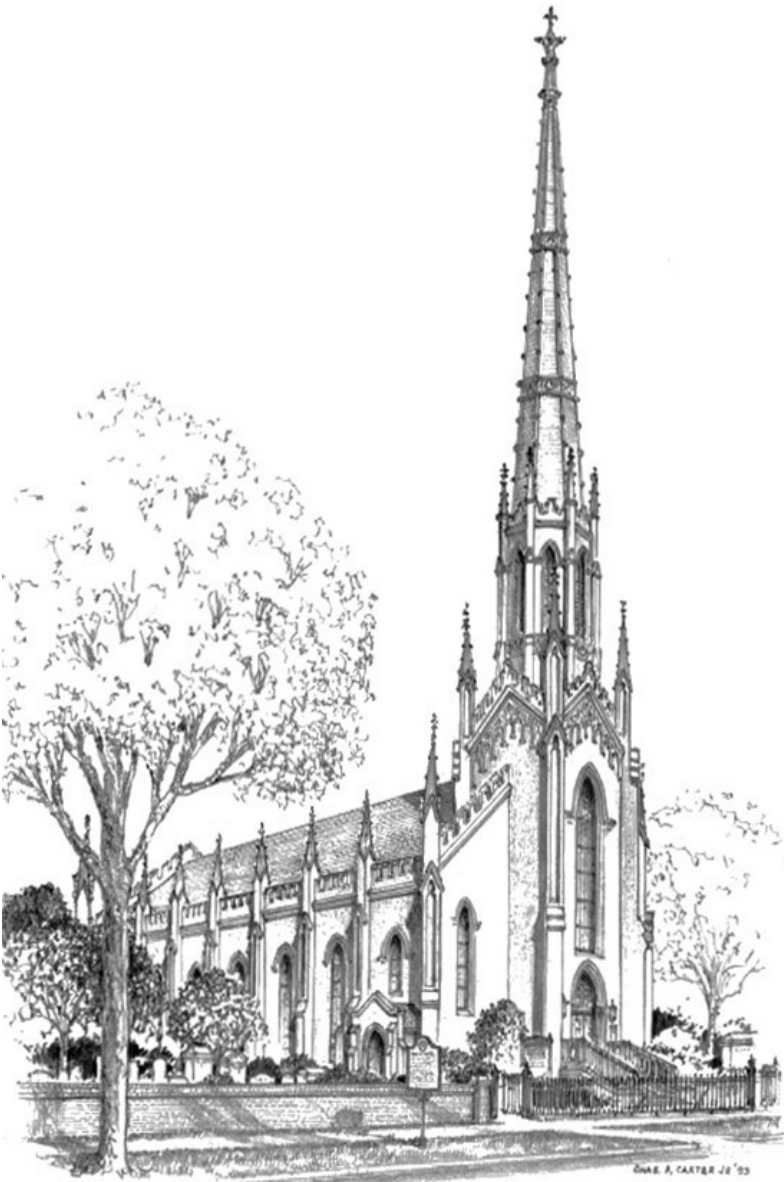
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Rev. Sean Henderson, Associate Minister of Missions
Dr. David Lauten, Senior Associate Minister of Congregational Care
Rev. Josh Squires, Associate Minister of Counseling

JOIN US AT 6:00 P.M. FOR EVENING WORSHIP

The Way of Wisdom: An Overview of Proverbs
“There She Was, Just a Walkin' Down the Street”
Proverbs 8 | Dr. Neil C. Stewart

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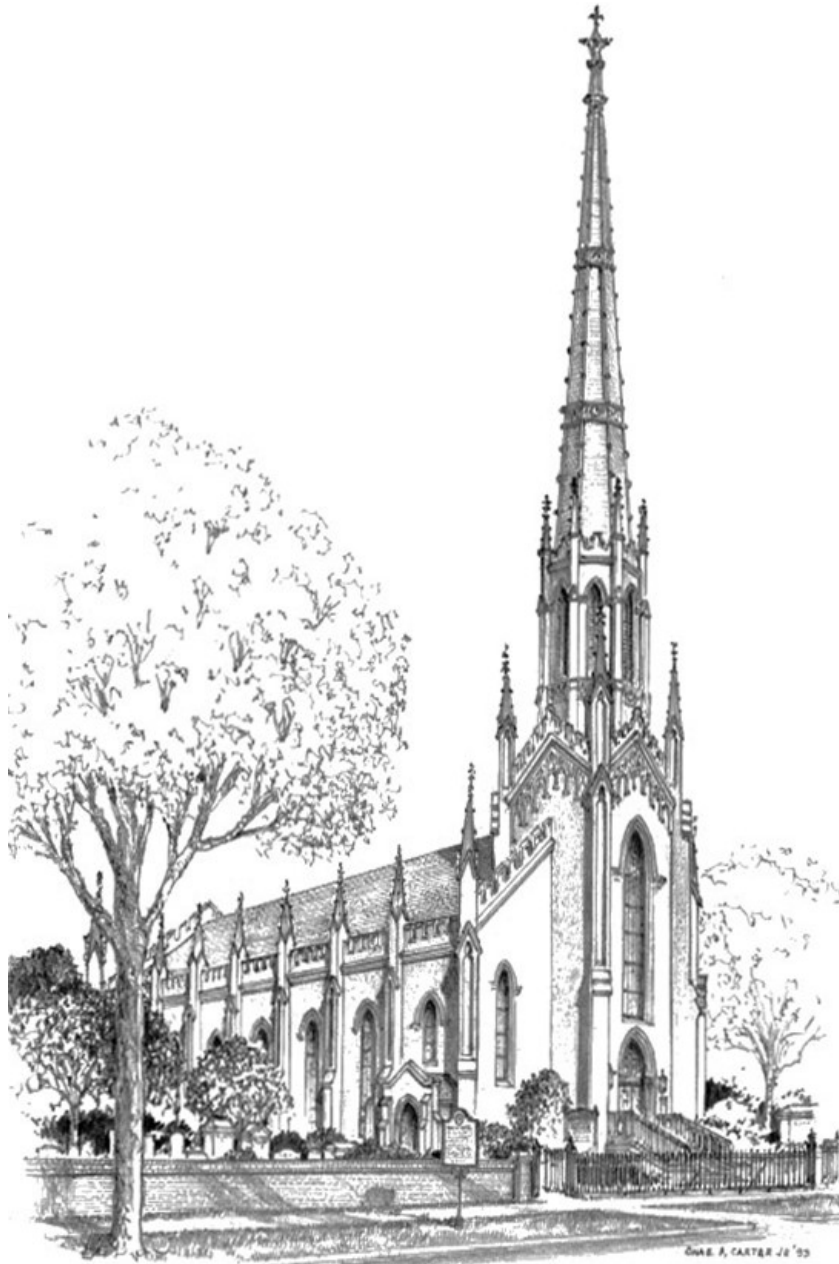


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+ HYMN 341

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SPIRITUS VITA

O Breath of life, come sweeping through us,
Revive your church with life and pow'r.
O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, renew us,
And fit your church to meet this hour.

O Wind of God, come bend us, break us,
Till humbly we confess our need;
Then in your tenderness remake us,
Revive, restore, for this we plead.

O Breath of love, come breathe within us,
Renewing thought and will and heart;
Come, Love of Christ, afresh to win us,
Revive your church in every part.

O Heart of Christ, once broken for us,
'Tis there we find our strength and rest;
Our broken, contrite hearts now solace,
And let your waiting church be blest.

Revive us, Lord! Is zeal abating
While harvest fields are vast and white?
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Let my heart be all thine own,
Let me live to thee alone.

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SCRIPTURE LESSON

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²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ **HYMN 305** *Arise, My Soul, Arise*

LENOX

Arise, my soul, arise,
Shake off your guilty fears:
The bleeding Sacrifice
In my behalf appears:
Before the throne my Surety stands,
Before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on his hands.

He ever lives above,
For me to intercede,
His all-redeeming love,
His precious blood to plead;
His blood atoned for ev'ry race,
His blood atoned for ev'ry race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Five bleeding wounds he bears,
Received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers,
They strongly plead for me.
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,
“Nor let that ransomed sinner die!”

My God is reconciled;
His pard'ning voice I hear;
He owns me for his child,
I can no longer fear;
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And “Father, Abba, Father!” cry.

+ **BENEDICTION**

DENNIS

+ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 359**

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