

WELCOME TO SSUMC ONLINE WORSHIP

July 12, 2020



A Worship Design Studio Series

We are glad you are joining us for online worship. Our series “For the Beauty” calls on us to cultivate a life of contemplation and compassion. Over the summer we will dwell with the God of Divine Goodness, deeply in love with us, and practice ways to return that love as we fall more deeply in love with the beauty of creation and with one another. This is the day the Lord has made: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER - Rev. Kate Floyd

Divine Goodness, Holy One, Pause us for this moment, bear us up in this time, hold us for eternity. We tune our spirits to truth. We begin to let go of expectations. We allow all beings the fullness of their own beauty. And all the people say, “Amen.”

CHILDREN'S MOMENT - Candace Johnson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - Rev. Dr. Kyle Tau

Prayer written by Rev. Katherine Kussmaul, Saint Giles Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, NC, used with permission.

We invite you to fill out our [Connect Card](#) so we know you're here with us this morning!

THE LORD'S PRAYER - Mary Lane Fantigrossi

And now let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us, saying: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen.

If you have a prayer request, submit it [HERE](#).

Prayers will be e-mailed on Fridays, except those marked confidential.

SCRIPTURE - Song of Songs 4: 1-7 (Voiceover by Marcia McFee)

Look at you—so beautiful, my dearest! Look at you—so beautiful! Look at your eyes, sweet as doves behind the veil that your hair makes, as it cascades from your head like a flock of young goats— black ones, bounding down off Mount Gilead. And your teeth are sheep: white as the day they were born, or newly shorn, and freshly washed, each with its perfect mate. Not one of them is alone— why should we be? And, ah, the lips of that lovely mouth— a ribbon of scarlet. Your temples, behind that veil, glow like the halves of a freshly sliced pomegranate. Your neck has the grace of David's Tower, with its jewels hung round it like the shields of a thousand warriors. And your breasts—like the twin fawns of a gazelle, hiding among the lilies. All my nights, till the sun comes chasing its shadows, let me play in these perfumed hills, these mountains scented with myrrh. You are utterly beautiful, my dearest; there's not a single flaw in you.

HOMILY - Rev. Kate Floyd

RITUAL ACTION - Rev. Kate Floyd

You can find these visioning prayers at ssumc.org/prayers!

APOSTLES' CREED - Barbara Olson

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER - Candace Johnson

As you listen to the offertory song, we invite you to give towards the ministries of the church. Thank you for your generosity and all you do to make sure SSUMC continues to change lives.

- Online: Give through our secure site [HERE](#), either a one-time or recurring donation.
- Text to Give: Text ssumcgive to 73256
- Make a check out to the church and mail it to: Sandy Springs UMC 86 Mt. Vernon HWY NW, Sandy Springs, GA 30328
- Set-up Recurring Giving through your bank to mail checks directly to the church

OFFERTORY SONG - Gabriel's Oboe by Ennio Morricone

Oboe, Betsy Stuart
Organ, Nicole Marane
Piano, Nicole Marane

BENEDICTION - Rev. Kate Floyd

The world is so varied and beautiful.
Seek wisdom wherever it is to be found.
And may the goodness of the Creator,
the companionship of the Christ,
and the insight of the Spirit,
infuse your life now and always. Amen.

BENEDICTION RESPONSE - For the Beauty of the Earth

Go in peace, friends!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sandy Springs UMC 2020 VISION



Without a vision,
the people will perish.

-Proverbs 29:18

SSUMC.ORG/VISION

Participate in our visioning process by praying daily prayers at 8:30am and pm and filling out the congregational gifts survey!

- Visioning Overview: ssumc.org/vision
- Prayers: ssumc.org/prayers
- Survey: Click [here](#)



Drive-By Farewell Parade
for Ann Hladilek

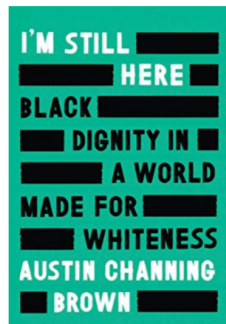
Friday, July 17 | 12 pm



Our church Administrative Assistant, has accepted a new job at Carrolton First United Methodist Church. Her last day with Sandy Springs UMC will be Friday July 17th. Ann has faithfully served SSUMC for 14 years and will be sorely missed. Let's say goodbye and thank Ann in Sandy Springs style with a drive-by farewell parade! Come on our and wave, honk, shout, and decorate signs to wish Ann well as she transitions into this new phase. The parade will be this Friday, July 17 at noon!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Reading Group: RACIAL JUSTICE



JULY 27



AUG 24

We've switched the order of our next two racial justice books because there's a second edition of *Dear White Christians* that will be released in mid-July. So we'll read *I'm Still Here* for July 27 and *Dear White Christians* for August 24. We hope you'll join us in this important conversation.

Mondays, 7-8pm

Discussions on Zoom

Facilitated by Pastor Kate

RSVP to Kate: kfloyd@ssumc.org

MONDAYS | 7-8 PM
RSVP TO KATE AT [KFLOYD@SSUMC.ORG](mailto:kfloyd@ssumc.org)

For more information, click [here](#)!



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- Volunteer at CAC:
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