## A Message from our Pastor

I am so delighted to be here at Aldersgate UMC. There's a sense of newness in the air. A new pastor, a new church, new congregants, and new ministry opportunities provide everyone a fresh start to further impact the kingdom of God for our heavenly Father through his Son with the power of the Holy Spirit. (I am working on Trinity Sunday as I type this.)

Prayer is the essential ingredient to the Christ honoring life. I am a praying person because I believe with all my heart that God answers prayer. I know that when we align ourselves with God's purposes, we can accomplish anything, "For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength" (Philippians 4:13 NLT). This is God's word, and my prayer is that we stand on it together as a unified body of believers in the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

So, I would ask everyone to be in prayer for God's perfect will to be accomplished for Aldersgate UMC and for me and my family. Be assured, I will be praying for you. May our Lord bless each one of us as we follow the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Blessings,
Pastor Melody A. Duncan

