

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 20, 2017

*All who are able may stand.

8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Bold type spoken by the congregation

GATHERING. . .

The Prelude *Standchen* Schubert
Tina Christie, flute

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit *When Morning Gilds the Skies*
Tina Christie, soprano

The Call To Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
God's steadfast love endures forever.
Maintain justice and do what is right.
God our Savior is coming soon.

The Prayer of Adoration

We broadcast Your glorious deeds, O God, and spread abroad the Good News of the Gospel. You have not forsaken Your people, but promise Your presence through the gift of Your Spirit. In Christ You redeem us from a past that enslaves us, and free us for a future of life lived in Your love. Hear us now as we sing Your praises and fill us with wisdom as we learn of Your way. Glory be to You, the One Eternal God- Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Amen.

*The Hymn 385 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

*The Prayer of Confession

Our Source of Deliverance, Christ, calls us to faith, while we seek our own security. He teaches us to trust him, yet we don't take the risk. He expects total commitment, and we think in terms of percentage. Time after time, we turn our backs on Your grace, serving our idols and forsaking our Christ. We rely on Your promise in him to redeem us. We are dependent on him Who can intercede for us. O God, in Christ have mercy upon us... (time for silent confession)...

*The Assurance of Pardon

*The Gloria Patri p. 581 in the Hymnal

*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**
(Please exchange this ancient greeting with worshipers seated near you.
Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ.)

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: *Genesis 45:1-15* p. 52 in the pew Bible

The Psalter Lesson: *Psalms 133* p. 706 in the pew Bible

The Anthem *He Is There* Deford

*He is there when the first uncertain breath of life is taken,
He is with us when our mortal souls awaken so unaware, he is there.
Close beside us in each moment we are given,
There to light our way and lead us home to heaven, he is there,
He is there with love beyond our understanding,
Watching o're us with a Father's tender care,
With all his might and mercy never ending, he is there, he is there.
He is there, when we've lost our way and wander in our blindness
Help unfailing when no other help can find us, in our despair, he is there,
When our broken hearts reach out to him for healing,
There to lift us up and set our spirits singing, he is there,
He is there, oh, the comfort in his promise of salvation!
How we praise his name in songs of adoration, and grateful prayer, he is there,
There to share in all our joy and still our weeping,
Ever constant, ever faithful, never ceasing, he is there,*

The Epistle Lesson: *Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32* p. 195 in the pew Bible

A Moment With the Children

*The Hymn 435 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

The Gospel Lesson *Matthew 15:10-28* p. 20 in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon *Putrefied*
Allen H. Fisher, Jr.

TO RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD. . .

*The *Nicene Creed (Ecumenical)* p. 34 in the Hymnal

The Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Service of Offering
The Gathering of Our Gifts
The Offertory

Sicilienne

Gaubert

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TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT. . .

The Presbyterian Church welcomes and invites everyone - children and adults - baptized in the name of Jesus Christ to come to The Table of the Lord and participate in The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

*The Hymn of Preparation 529 *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

The Invitation

The Call To Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

. . . who forever sing to the glory of Your Name:
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest . . .
. . . great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again . . .

The Lord's Prayer

p. 35 in the Hymnal

The Communion

(You are invited to come forward to the head of each aisle to partake of the elements with reverent meditation.)

The Prayer After Communion

God of grace, we give You thanks for this feast of liberation and hope. Send us out by the power of your Spirit to share Your Good News with all the people we meet. In the name of Christ Jesus, the risen Lord, we pray. Amen.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD'S NAME. . .

*The Hymn 649

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

*The Charge & Benediction

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

*The Postlude

Mazurka

Chopin

the
**PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**



The Rev. Allen H. Fisher, Jr., *Pastor*

The Rev. Brittany Tamminga, *Associate Pastor*

E. Bruce Harvey, Jr., *Coordinator of Christian Education*

Mary Ann & Larry Casey, *Choirmasters*

Amy L. Shirk, *Organist*

MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES 8/20-27

- Today (8/20)**
 Worship Services, *S* 8:30 & 10am
 Sacred Dance, *U* 3:30pm
 Session, *MH* 7pm
- Monday (8/21)**
 Mission Committee Meeting, *CF* 7pm
 Annual Stewardship Campaign Cmte, *MH* 7pm
- Tuesday (8/22)**
 Men's Breakfast, *Bob Evans* 7:30am
- Wednesday (8/23)**
 Meditation Group, *CP* 6:30pm
- Saturday (8/26)**
 Micah Breakfast, *FH* 6:30am
 Church-Wide Baseball Outing
- Sunday (8/27)**
 Worship Services, *S* 8:30 & 10am
 Sacred Dance, *U* 3:30pm

Location Key:
CP: Church Parlor *MH:* Middle House
S: Sanctuary *CH:* Church House
EB: Education Building *CF:* Conference Room
U: Undercroft *FH:* Fellowship Hall
UCR: Choir Room in Ed. Building *CR:* Choir Room

2017-18 Deacons

Last name	
<u>begins with:</u>	<u>Your Deacon is:</u>
A-Bo	Beth Huber
Br-C	Doreen Vaughn
D-Fi	Paul Rabatin
Fl-G	Della Hall
Ha-Ho	Gina Whitticar
Hu-Ki	Kim Fischer
Kn-Ma	Trina Parsons
Mc-N	Kathryn Hower
O-Ra	Mary Szymanski
Re-Si	Suzi Bevan
Sm-T	Debbie Eckel
U-Z	Rachel Talmadge

Birthdays this Week

August

20. Mike Adams, Stacie Buck, Casey Naatjes
21. Aubrey Raska
23. Jessica Conway, Cayden Green
24. Lynda Baer, Lena Joel
25. Jane Eger, Olivia Fartro, Will Huffman, Tori Wilder
26. John Chichester, Isabella Green, Elaine McFadden, Charlotte Young
27. Tina Evans, Savannah Gloyd

Myles Nix Memorial Fund

Mail checks to: Navy Federal Credit Union
 3445 Fall Hill Ave,
 Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Make checks to: Myles Nix Memorial Fund.
 Put Acct # 7067412432 in the memo line

Hospital Visitor 8/20-26

Doris Johnson, 218-590-5115

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

8:30 and 10:00 am

We are delighted to have visitors worship with us!

To aid you in our liturgy, we want to acquaint you with our following custom: In the *Lord's Prayer*, we use the words, "*Forgive us our debts... our debtors.*"

We encourage you to stand for singing, if you are able, as the organ sounds the first note of introduction. When appropriate to the hymn, the organist and choir will lead the congregation in singing "*Amen.*"

Assistive listening devices (amplified earphones and telecoilneckloops), and **large-print bulletins** are available from the ushers.

Child care is provided in the Education Building for infants through kindergarteners.

All worshipers are encouraged to sign the Attendance/Friendship pad, greet your friends, and welcome visitors.

The flowers today are given by Steve and Debbie Eckel to the glory of God and in honor of their grandchildren, Jackson, Lincoln, and Adelaide.

Capsule of Concern: Charlotte Mims, Bob Morecock, Susie Techlin, Frank Turnage, Rim Vining

Our heartfelt **Christian love and sympathies** are extended to Mollie Creasey and family on the death of her mother, Jacquie Raymond, who died on August 13, 2017.

Lectionary readings for next Sunday, August 27:

Exodus 1:8-2:10;
 Psalm 124;
 Romans 12:1-8;
 Matthew 16:13-20

Service Attendants

Liturgist
 Jeannette Gibbons

8:30 AM
Sanctuary Guild
 Suzi Bevan

Greeters
 Sammy & Betty Merrill, Harry & Gerry Smart

Ushers
 David & Karen Johnson, David & Tammy Hancock

Elevator Assistant
 Paul Kukler

10:00 AM
Sanctuary Guild
 Joan Darby

Greeters
 Katya Zabloutney, Patti Myers

Ushers
 Mike & Jeanne Ramsburg, Joel & Julie Young

Elevator Assistant
 Steve Spratt

Lemonade on the Lawn
 Ed & Piper Foresman

Nursery Attendants
8:30 & 10:00 services
 John & Becca Jones, Robin Joel, Gina Wright, Julie Young

The special **Summer Church School Class** has been cancelled.

Having **childcare during worship** is an important part of helping to nurture our children and allow parents to worship. We provide childcare for infants through 5-year olds. Parents are the primary volunteers, but we need other adults and senior highs to take a turn through the year. If you would like to help in this important ministry, please fill out the **Nursery Volunteer** insert in today's bulletin and place it in the offering plate. Thanks.

We invite all children, youth, and adults to join us for **Breakfast** on Sunday, September 10, at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall as we begin a new year of **Church School**. Make plans now to join a class this fall. We will also begin the fall worship schedule with the second service beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Youth Fellowship Dinner Cooks: The parents of our youth take turns each Sunday evening during the school year preparing a dinner for our Middle School and Senior High youth fellowships. We invite members who do not have youth to help out. There are 5 to 6 people doing a dinner each week. If you would like to assist with one or two dinners during the year, please sign up at the table outside the Sanctuary or contact Bruce Harvey, 373 7057, (bharvey@fredericksburgpc.org).

The **annual Campus Christian Community Golf Tournament** will be held at Fredericksburg County Club on Monday, October 2, with tee-off at 11:00 a.m. The format is captain's choice, and the cost is \$80 per person. The CCC is our campus ministry presence on the University of Mary Washington campus with the Rev. Shannon Waite as the campus pastor. The tournament is the major program fundraiser for the year. You may sign-up outside the Sanctuary or contact Bruce at bharvey@fredericksburgpc.org. If you are interested in sponsoring a hole, please contact Brittany Harvey at harveybg@gmail.com.

Nationals Baseball - The Fellowship Committee has organized a church-wide outing on Saturday, August 26. Enjoy a day at the ballpark as the Washington Nationals take on the New York Mets. The first pitch is scheduled for 4:05 p.m. and tickets (\$30 each) are limited.

The Prime Timers will begin a new year of activities on Wednesday, September 6, when they meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. and go to George Washington's birthplace for a movie and tour. There is no fee at the park. After our visit, we will have lunch at High Tides on the Potomac in Colonial Beach. Contact Jean Ravinsky, 710-5350, or Gay Sullivan, 219-7255, by August 30.

Prime Timers & Empty Nesters along with guests are reminded that a deposit of \$100 for the May 14-17, 2018, trip to Philadelphia is due by August 31. The total cost of the trip is \$545 for double occupancy and includes a tour of historic Philadelphia, Winterthur, Longwood Gardens and much more. For more details, please contact Bruce, 373-7057 (bharvey@fredericksburgpc.org).

We thank Sharon Moser, Ralph Lewis, the volunteers and blood donors who helped make the August 8, blood drive a success.

August Church School Teachers' Meetings

Adult teachers' meeting - Monday, August 28, 6:00 p.m., Conference Room

Youth teachers' meeting - Monday, August 28, 7:00 p.m., Conference Room

Preschool & Elementary teachers' meeting - Tuesday, August 29, 7:00 p.m., Conference Room

We thank Becky Paul for her commitment and dedication to School Dressing Days during the last 12 months. We thank all the volunteers who helped throughout the year and during the actual School Dressing Days set up and event August 9-12. We thank all members who made donations of backpacks, hoodies, shoes, school supplies, underwear, and other items.

The Mission Committee will meet on Monday, August 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

The POJ Older Adult Purpose Group is delighted to offer a **workshop** for seniors, families of seniors, Pastors, and DCE's to explore issues related to end of life planning on Sunday Afternoon August 27, from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. at Byrd Presbyterian Church, Goochland County 2229 Dogtown Rd., Goochland, VA 23063. This workshop will focus on the theme: "**Have it your Way at the end of Life's Journey through discussion, and action planning.**" Following our discussions and socializing we will have a light supper that includes sandwiches, salad, vegetables, tea, coffee, tea, lemonade, and cookies. To sign up for this workshop email byrdchurch2017@gmail.com. Include in the email your name, the name of your church and the number of people attending the workshop. Please sign up by Sunday, August 20. Additional information can be found on posters throughout the church campus.