

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

The Second Sunday After Pentecost

June 18, 2017

8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

*All who are able may stand.

Bold type spoken by the congregation

GATHERING. . .

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

The Call To Worship

(from Psalm 116)

What shall we return to You, O God, for all of Your bounty to us?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the Name of the Lord.

O Lord, I am Your servant, the child of Your serving girl.

You have loosed my bonds.

**I will give you thanksgiving and call on Your Name
in the presence of all the people.**

The Prayer of Adoration

Gracious God, You shelter Your people amid their distress; You provide them a haven of security and rest. You bring comfort to those with affliction and hear the pleas of the persecuted. You cause Your mercy to flow like living water; Your benevolence stretches to the ends of the earth. We come in praise of all Your goodness and lift our voices with thanks for Your care. All glory, blessing and honor are Yours, O Eternal God- Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. Amen.

*The Hymn 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

*The Prayer of Confession

Triune God, Holy Three, Holy One, we confess that we do not know how to look for You. We do not sense Your nearness, and if there are angels among us, we are unaware. We do not show the hospitality to strangers that Abraham showed to You. We do not trust that our hardships can be transformed by Your Spirit. O covenant-keeper, forgive us in Your great mercy...(time for silent confession). . .Let us laugh with joy because Your grace has made peace among us. Send us out with the Good News so that others will also receive Your blessing; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*The Assurance of Pardon

Christ gave his life to save us from the wrath of God.

**Therefore, since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Believe the Good News of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*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 18:1-15*

p. 17 in the pew Bible

The Psalter Lesson: *Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19*

p. 694 in the pew Bible

The Anthem

I'll Fly Away

Brumley/Courtney

Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away;

To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.

I'll fly away O glory, I'll fly away.

When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.

When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away;

Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away.

Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away;

to a land where joys shall never end, I'll fly away.

I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away.

When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.

The Epistle Lesson: *Romans 5:1-8*

p. 189 in the pew Bible

A Moment With the Children

*The Hymn 707

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

The Gospel Lesson: *Matthew 9:35-10:8*

p. 10 in the pew Bible

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

The Sermon

Committed

Allen H. Fisher, Jr.

TO RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD. . .

*The *Apostles' Creed* p. 35 in the Hymnal

The Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer p. 35 in the Hymnal

The Service of Offering
The Gathering of Our Gifts
The Offertory

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication Doxology p. 606 in the Hymnal

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

*The Hymn 719 *Come, Labor On*

*The Charge and Benediction

*The Postlude

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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 6/18-25

Today (6/18)

Worship Services, *S* 8:30 & 10am
Sacred Dance, *U* 3:30pm

Monday (6/19)

Mission Committee 7pm

Tuesday (6/20)

Men's Breakfast, *Bob Evans* 7:30am

Wednesday (6/21)

Meditation Group, *CP* 6:30pm

Saturday (6/24)

Micah Breakfast, *FH* 6:30am
20s/30s Fellowship, *Richmond*
Flying Squirrels Baseball Game 6pm

Sunday (6/25)

Adult Mission Trip to WV
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

Birthdays this Week

June

18. Catherine Sullivan
19. Katie Blashford, Patti Kerns, Jacob Rembisz
20. Olivia Adams, Pete Beattie, Guy Gormley, Andrew Hilts, Nicholas Kallay
21. Becky Paul
22. Camille McAllister, Trina Parsons
23. Amy Ellis, Marnie Schattgen, Wesley Vyverberg
24. Mary Katherine Greenlaw, Donna Hughes, Morgan Mallory
25. Brett Betsill, Doris Glidden, Chris Godshall

Hospital Visitor 6/18-24

Steve McCullough, 412-5633

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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 Sydney Chichester to the glory of God in memory of her father, Harold M. Collson, and honoring all fathers everywhere.

Capsule of Concern: Charlotte Mims, Lillian Remsen, Mary Szymanski, Susie Techlin, Frank Turnage

Lectionary readings for next Sunday, June 25:

Genesis 21:8-21;
Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17;
Romans 6:1b-11;
Matthew 10:24-39

Service Attendants

Liturgist
Kathy Stephen

8:30 AM
Sanctuary Guild
Debbie Eckel

Greeters
Ian & Lynn Norfleet, Steve & Genie Cunningham

Ushers
Steve & Debbie Eckel, Mike & Michelle Gibson

Elevator Assistant
Richard Harrison

10:00 AM
Sanctuary Guild
Gaye Copley

Greeters
Ann Warner, Jane Eger

Ushers
Erik & Macon Fino, Gary & Doreen Vaughn

Elevator Assistant
Gary Vaughn

Lemonade on the Lawn
Paul & Mary Kukla

Nursery Attendants
8:30 & 10:00 services
John & Rebecca Jones, Rachel Hole, Mike & Gina Wright, Chip & Amy Ellis

Prime Timers and Empty Nesters are encouraged to stop by the table outside the Sanctuary after worship to vote for their top two choices for the **2018 overnight trip next May**. The choices are Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Kentucky, New York, and Charleston. There are descriptions of each trip at the table.

20s/30s Fellowship - Join us at The Diamond on Saturday, June 24, as the Richmond Flying Squirrels take on the Akron Rubber Ducks. First pitch is scheduled for 6:05 p.m., and fireworks will follow the game! Tickets are \$10. Please RSVP to Pastor Tamminga today, btamminga@fredericksburgpc.org.

Summer Book Club 2017 - Join us this summer as we experience “Silence” by Shusaku Endo. From the book jacket: “Shusaku Endo is one of the most celebrated and well-known Japanese fiction writers of the twentieth century, and “Silence” is widely considered to be his great masterpiece.” The novel was published in 1964, but received a good deal of attention this past year thanks to the release of Martin Scorsese’s film adaptation of the book. To quote Scorsese: “ “Silence” is the story of a man who learns - so painfully - that God’s love is more mysterious than he knows, that He leaves much more to the ways of men than we realize, and that He is always present . . . even in His silence.” Our meetings will be weekly throughout July - beginning on WEDNESDAY, July 5 and then continuing on Tuesday evenings: July 12, 19, and 26. We will meet at 7:00 pm., location TBD. Contact Jen Rowe (jenrowe@cox.net) for more information and a reading schedule.

Summer Youth Hiking at Motts Run, Sunday, June 25: Summer is the best time for afternoons outside. Meet at church at 2:00 p.m. We’ll head to Motts Run Reservoir and Recreation Center for an afternoon of light hiking. We will return to the church by 4:00 p.m.

All youth and adults are invited to make plans to join the **special August Church School session** focusing on *Christianity, Judaism, and Islam - basic beliefs and struggles in today’s world* - August 6, 13, 20, and 27. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall following the 10:00 a.m. worship service

The **Mission Committee** will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 19, in the conference room.

On July 17-20, our church will lead **SOKS Camp** (Sema, Ota, Kua, Soma—Speak, Dream, Grow, Read) for the children of Heritage Park apartments. We need volunteers from teens to adults to help with baseball activities and field games from 12:45 to 3:30 p.m. at Sunshine. You may help on all four days or just one. You don’t need baseball skills, just a willingness to enjoy some time with kids! Please contact Jim Toler (jimtoler4@yahoo.com) or Bruce Harvey (bharvey@fredericksburgpc.org) for more information or to sign up.

All Roads lead to Rome this summer at VBS! Join us the week of July 30-August 3, to explore a crowded Roman marketplace, tiptoe past watchful Roman guards, encourage first-century Christians who meet in a dark cave, race chariots, and visit Paul for daily discoveries about God’s love. Registration for rising 4 years olds through rising 5th graders begins June 11, during lemonade on the lawn. Come have a glass of lemonade and sign up for VBS!

VBS Nursery Volunteers - It takes many hands and hearts to put together a week of Vacation Bible School, and many of those hands have small children not yet big enough to participate. We are in need of a few brave souls to stay with the babies and toddlers of our volunteers so that they can make Ancient Rome come to life for the children of our church. There will be lots of laughter, maybe a few tears and plenty of goldfish to go around! If you would like to help our volunteers and spend the week with the youngest members of our congregation, please contact Robin Joel (rjoel515@gmail.com) or Rachel Hole (rjarnecke@yahoo.com) or come see us at the sign up table during lemonade on the lawn.

The annual **School Dressing Days** will be held August 11 and 12, at the LDS church on Bragg Road. New clothing, school supplies, backpacks and toiletries are provided to children grades K-12 to get ready for back to school. Ways to be involved: help families “shop,” keep items replenished, clean up, etc., help set up on August 9 and 10, and help with pre-registration in June and July. We have a great need for those who speak Spanish or other languages to assist our refugee population. To volunteer, you can choose your time slot and sign up with Signup Genius (signupgenius.com and search schooldressingdays@gmail.com) or watch for a signup sheet on Sunday mornings. Additional ways to help include: monetary donations (make check to Interfaith Community Council with “School Dressing Days” on the memo line); donations of girls’ underwear, sizes 10, 12, 14 (no hi-rise briefs please), or boys and men’s socks (all sizes and styles *except* small). Toiletry items are always needed (bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and deodorant). We are also collecting new and/or gently used tennis shoes (all sizes), flats for teenage girls, backpacks, and gently used or new hoodies. Please do not bring worn out shoes. Donations may be put in the bin in the Education Building Lobby or outside the sanctuary on Sundays. Questions? Contact Becky Paul, 373-2294, (bcmrpaul@cox.net).

Help at Stafford Junction - On Wednesdays, July 12 and 19, our church will put together 60 bag lunches for the summer day camp program at Stafford Junction. Volunteers will meet in the kitchen at 10:00 a.m. to assemble the lunches. If you are able to help, please contact Bruce. You may also volunteer to help at the Stafford Junction summer day program in the afternoons Monday-Thursdays, July 3 - August 3, skipping July 4. Mondays and Wednesdays are for 4-6 year olds, and Tuesdays and Thursdays are for 7-11 year olds. If you want to volunteer, please contact Lynn Hamilton at Stafford Junction, 540-368-0081 or info@staffordjunciton.org.