Announcements, continued

✓ Care & Connect Wednesday Morning Prayer & Care Group - At 11:00 AM, every Wednesday morning, the congregation is invited to meet with the pastor for a time of praying for the concerns of the church. Join us during this journey together each week.

Be faithful in prayer - Romans 12:12 NIV

Prayers: Lay Leadership Committee; Tina Spencer; Simone Poulin; Pat Taylor; those in harm's way; Lucy Bailey (Sherry Ford's stepmom); Annie & Ashley; Lori; Holly Dollar; Robert Delay; Ellen Moyer; Denzel Baker; Samantha Baker; Sandra Keiter; Mary Walker; Jerry Chapman; Mark Wells; Helen Bayliss; Donna Sims (Barbara Wise's sister); Sage, Sarah & Amanda; unspoken prayers; Ian Epstein; Emilie Epstein; Michael; Danny Gray; Connie Heironimus; Becky Cather; family of Ed Shockey (Carolyn Carney's cousin); Amy Tucker; Freddie & Marie; Jack Wood; upcoming surgery; Bennie Baker; Terri Smith; Wayne Cheshire; Frank & Ashley Moore; Dennis & Craig Clem; Dennis Henry; Suzanne & Lara Conklin; Tim Hall; Ralph & Dee Grim; Audrey Dorton; Wilsons; Sonya Hess; Polly Look; thanks for beautiful days & good times with friends; Daniel Whitacre; Will Rodgers & family; Mary Kathryn Clark; Marilyn Stelzl; Shirley Dick; Mary Shetler; Jane Thomas; Tina & Shane Weagley; Rev Clay & Lisa Knick; Nellie Snoots; Adele Birnbaum; Florence Roman; Sharon & George Teets; Simon & Vicky Newlin; Doc Madagan; Amy, Frank Haines & boys; our world; people traveling; Cathy Richard; Pamela Martin; Betty Murphy

Sympathies to the family of Rev. Eugene Thomas, *children's addresses:* Jennifer Thomas, 572 Webber Springs Dr., Inwood, WVA 25428 & Bill Thomas, 6440 Main St., Gloucester, VA 23061

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

Calendar

Sunday, August 27

9:00 Bible Study (Demoya)

10:00 Jam Session

10:20 Worship

Greeters: Doris & Dwight Miller

Counters: Lorraine Shelton & Roger Hill

Tuesday, August 29 12:00 Staff Meeting 12-4 Bridge (f. hall)

6:00 Wonder of Worship Class

Wednesday, August 30 11:00 Prayer & Care (f.hall)

5:30 TOPS

6:00 Nominations & Leadership Development

6:00 Handbells 7:00 Choir Thursday, August 31 8:30 TOPS (f.hall)

6:00 Church Council *note revised date* & *time*

Friday, September 1

9:30 - 2:30 Bridge (f. hall)

Sunday, September 3

10:20 Worship

Reader: Carolyn Carney

Greeters: Charlie Donohoe & Danna Doyle Counters: Roy Walker & Kevin Mosser

Monday, September 4
Office Closed Labor Day

Upcoming: Work Area Meetings:

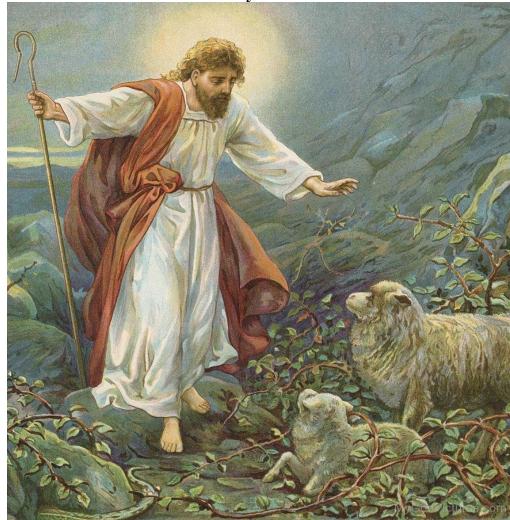
R&S 9/12, E&E 9/14, C&C 9/19, W&W 9/26 Other Meetings: UWF 9/12; Trustees9/14

Council 9/28



Please know that ALL children are **ALWAYS welcome** to attend our entire church service in the sanctuary. We offer an optional short **Children's**Church program during Sunday worship.

13th Sunday of Pentecost



10:20 a.m. Worship Service

August 27, 2023



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* All who are able, please stand; bold print - all respond

Prelude
Ringing of the Bell
Greeting /Announcements

David Landrum
Sam Henshaw
Cathy Richard

* Call to Worship Rev. Heaton

Family of God, as we gather today, Jesus asks us, "Who do you say that I am?"

You are our Messiah, the Son of the living God!

Family of God, as we gather today, the Holy Spirit asks us, "Who do you say that I am?" You are our Comforter, Advocate, and Sustainer!

Family of God, as we gather today, God the Father asks us, "Who do you say that I am?" You are our Creator, Provider, and Healer!

Family of God, as we gather today, the Triune God asks us, "Who do you say that I am?"

You are Love that creates, saves, and enfolds us into the family of God! May we be instruments of Love in all that we are and all that we do. Amen.

*Hymn Christ for the World to Sing
Lighting of Altar Candles
Scripture Lesson Exodus 1:22-2:10 Sarah Gordon
Response to the Word Mt. Dulcimer Praise Danna Doyle

Medley of "Weave Us Together" and "Then I Shall Live"

Offering and Children's Church This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Heaton

Congregational Prayer

Rev. Heaton

Loving and generous God: As we come to worship this day, we confess that when confronted with Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" our answer is ambivalent at best. Even when we get the words right, we know our lives give a different answer. We turn away from the suffering and oppression of Your children. We accumulate wealth and prestige and ignore the poor and powerless. You give and hold nothing back, and we give from our excess and resent being asked to do more. Help us to respond with the answer that comes from the center of our being and that is demonstrated in our living. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn

"You Are My All in All"

You are my Strength when I am weak. You are the Treasure that I seek. You are my All in all. Seeking You as a precious Jewel, Lord to give up I'd be a fool. You are my All in all!

Chorus Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your Name. Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your Name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless Your Name. You are my All in all. When I fall down, You lift me up. When I am dry, You fill my cup. You are my All in all. Repeat Chorus

Sermon "The CHRIST" Rev. Heaton Matthew 16:13-20

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Supper

*Hymn Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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*The Benediction

Rev. Heaton

*Choral Benediction *Precious Name*

Take the name of Jesus with you, child of sorrow and of woe; it will joy and comfort give you; take it then, where'er you go. Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of Earth and joy of heaven. Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of Earth and joy of heaven.

Postlude David Landrum

(*Please stand as able)

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A rich spiritual life involves more than Sunday morning worship. Study, Service, and Witness along with Worship have been the hallmarks of what it means to practice a vibrant Christian life. The congregation is encouraged to engage in discipleship beyond Sunday morning worship:

E & E ~ Educate & Equip -Lay Servant Training, Saturday, September 16, 9am-4pm at Strasburg UMC. Pick up a flyer in the narthex. This is a great opportunity to take the basic United Methodist class and have lunch with your pastor.

☐ E & E ~ Educate & Equip — Bible Study — Today is the last week for the August Adult Bible study class on the Book of Ecclesiastes. Join us on September 10, as we start a new study on the Book of John.



R & S ~ Reach & Serve* is asking for volunteers for **Jubilee Kitchen on Saturday, September 16, at First Presbyterian Church. The signup is in the narthex.

W & W ~ Worship & Wonder Handbells and Choir ☐ - It's that time of year again where the fellowship hall comes alive with music on Wednesday nights, and it all begins on August 30th at 6 and 7 PM for bells and choir, respectively. We'd love to have you join us. If you have any questions, ask David Landrum or Kelly Henshaw.

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