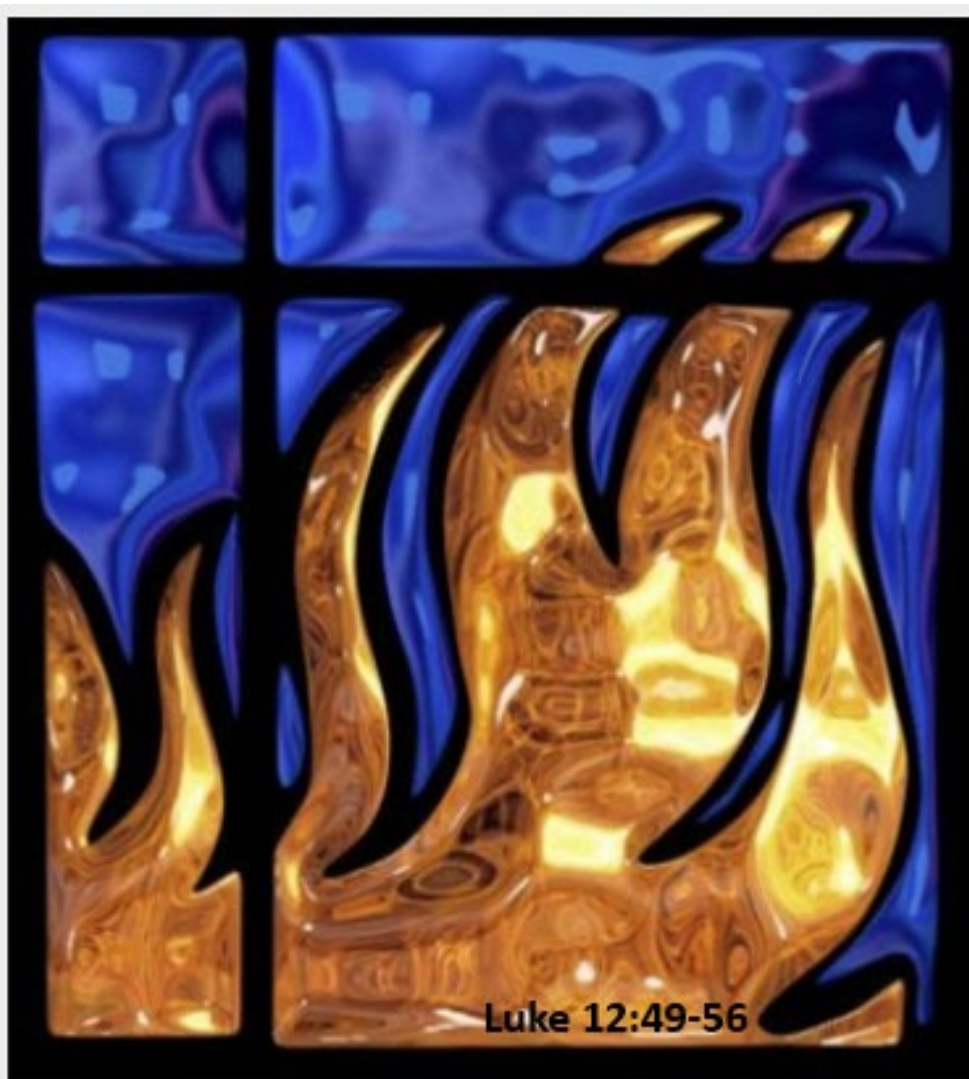


# First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

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**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

August 14, 2022

10:00 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

[Adam.Bowling@fupcdc.org](mailto:Adam.Bowling@fupcdc.org)

828.448.8914

## WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

### **BELLS**

*The three tolls call us to worship and symbolize our belief in the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In quiet reverence, we prepare for worship.*

### **OPENING SONG**

*O God in a Mysterious Way*

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### **WELCOME**

### **MINISTRY IN ACTION**

✠ Worship Ministry Team

#### + **CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Psalm 5:7-8*)

But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house.

**I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.**

Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness because of my enemies;

**Make your way straight before me.**

#### + **OPENING HYMN**

*Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said*

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### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Dear Father in Heaven, we gather here today to look for your guidance and to love one another as you have told us to do. Together, we delight in the unconditional love you have showered on us. Help us to not forget that we are of your family and that we walk in the shelter of your grace. In Christ's name,

**Amen.**

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

We are the people of God,  
but Scripture reminds us that we still sin.

We need to confess our failures,  
knowing that the Lord Jesus intercedes for us with the Father,  
who freely forgives us, through his infinite goodness and mercy.

So let us draw near to God with sincerity and confidence, and pray together.

Join me, as we pray together saying. . .

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

*(A Time of Silent Confession)*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON** *(Isaiah 1:18)*

“Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.”

- + **RESPONSE**      *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me (verse 1)*      582
- Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
                                 and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
                                 and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
                                 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

- + **PASSING OF THE PEACE**  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
                                 **And also with you.**

*(Please share a sign of Christ’s peace with those around you.)*

## **WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD**

### **TIME FOR CHILDREN**

#### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds may be opened.  
**Amen.**

## **GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 12:49-56 NRSV

<sup>49</sup>“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup>From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup>they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

<sup>54</sup>He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup>And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. <sup>56</sup>You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

## **ANTHEM**

*Amazing Grace*  
The Bull Run Troubadours

Arr. Morris Rector

## **SERMON**

Hard Facts

Pastor Michael Slayter

## **INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

*If you would like to speak with someone about becoming a Christian, about church membership, or about a special prayer need, please speak with someone at the Welcome Table in the back of the sanctuary. For those worshipping online, please email Pastor Adam at [adam.bowling@fupcdc.org](mailto:adam.bowling@fupcdc.org). Know that ALL are welcome in this place!*

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

### **+ SONG OF RESPONSE**

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

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**Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer**

**. . . 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **SERVICE OF GIVING**

Music at the Offering

*I Believe*

Arr. SEBEQSA

The Bull Run Troubadours

### + **DOXOLOGY**

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*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### + **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Lord, let our congregation be a witness to you: immersed in scripture, constant in prayer, joyful in worship, generous in giving. A loving, supportive community reaching out to those in need. Accept these gifts we offer, in Jesus' name,  
Amen.

## **WE GO IN GOD'S NAME**

### + **SENDING HYMN**

*We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight*

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### + **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

### + **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*An Irish Blessing*  
The Bull Run Troubadours

Arr. Don Gray

### + **POSTLUDE**

+ *Please stand, in body or in spirit.*

The Bull Run Troubadours is the Prince William County Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, dedicated to the harmonious blend of Barbershop Music, and has been in existence for over 50 years. Our members come from all walks of life but have one thing in common, a love of singing! We are part of the Barbershop Harmony Society, 20,000 members strong, one of the largest singing organizations in the world. Our practices are held here at FUPCDC on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 PM. If you are interested, please drop by or contact Jim Christie at (703) 930-2081.

Pastor Adam will be out on vacation, August 12<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>. Please contact your deacon, the office, or Pastor Mike Slayter with pastoral care needs.

# Worship Notes

- \* **WELCOME!** Whether you are new in the area, a resident of the community, or visiting, we are delighted you joined us in worship. Please come to the Welcome Table at the rear of the sanctuary after the service to fill out an info card and to receive a special gift. To find out more about this church, please call the Church Office at 703-670-7834 or speak with Pastor Adam, [adam.bowling@fupcdc.org](mailto:adam.bowling@fupcdc.org).
- \* **WORSHIP ASSISTANT:** Carol Miller
- \* **FLOWERS** are given by Michael Smith in remembering all we have lost and their memories that remain in our hearts.

# Connect with Us

- \* **WE ARE ON FACEBOOK:** If you use Facebook, become a Facebook friend, and become a fan of First United Presbyterian. Make friends with others from the church.
- \* **WE ARE ON INSTAGRAM:** Find us on Instagram @fupcdc.
- \* **FUPCDC WEBSITE:** For detailed news and information, visit the church website at <https://fupcdc.org>.
- \* **FUPCDC YOUTUBE CHANNEL:** To view worship services and videos, visit the FUPCDC Youtube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/c/FUPCDC>. You can also find our channel by searching for "FUPCDC Video".
- \* **TEXT ALERTS:** Remind is a free text messaging service that will help our church communicate quickly and efficiently. On your cell phone, start a new message to **81010**. In the message, type @fupcdc and send. You can unsubscribe at any time.
- \* **LIVE STREAM:** We live stream the worship services for those who are uncomfortable returning to in-person worship, or for those who are unable to join us in person at this time. Due to our Live Stream cameras, we ask that you use the side aisles once the worship service begins if you need to enter or exit the sanctuary, so that we keep an optimal camera view of the worship service for our at-home viewers. Thank you!

# Ministry in Action

- ✝ **BLESSING OF THE CHURCH:** We invite you to join us at the church at **4:00 PM on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month** to pray blessings over our church from the sanctuary to all the rooms. For more information, please contact Sara Porter, [saraporter@comcast.net](mailto:saraporter@comcast.net), or Betsy Gilbert, [betsy.gilbert24@gmail.com](mailto:betsy.gilbert24@gmail.com).
- ✝ **CHURCH OF THE SMALL THINGS:** Bible Buddies (Women's Bible study) will begin their fall study on **Monday, September 12, 2022 at 7:00 PM**. We will meet in-person (at the church in Room 22) and on-line (Zoom information TBD). For the Bible study, we will be using the book, Church of the Small Things: The Million Little Pieces that Make Up a Life by Melanie Shankle. The million little pieces that make a life aren't necessarily glamorous or far-reaching, but God uses some of the smallest, most ordinary acts of faithfulness -(and sometimes they look a whole lot like packing a lunch or driving a carpool) to help us find significance and meaning in life. Melanie Shankle helps women to embrace what it means to live a simple, yet incredibly meaningful life and how to find all the beauty and laughter that lies right beneath the surface of every moment. Please contact Betty Matthews, 703-618-9127 or Cathy Albrecht, 703-670-8369 for more information.
- ✝ **FAMILY BEACH DAY 2022:** Sign up to join us **Saturday, August 27, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM** at Dolphin Beach in Montclair (**4398 Spillway Lane, Montclair, VA 22025**) for Family Beach Day! We only have 60 spots available for non-residents of Montclair, so register today (link is on Thursday News). If you are a resident of Montclair, please register using the separate link (you will not count towards our 60 available spots).  
We will serve hot dogs and pizza for lunch.  
We are asking folks to bring things to share based on their last name:  
A-H: Sides (chips, potato salad, etc.)  
I-P: Drinks  
Q-Z: Desserts
- Remember to pack swimsuits, towels, sunscreen, beach chairs, water, and anything else you want to have at the beach (toys, balls, Frisbees, etc.). This event is for all ages and for all families. The beach is lifeguarded, and there is no rain date for this event.
- ✝ **FLOWER GUILD SUPPORT:** The Worship Ministry is looking for a few people to become members of the new Flower Guild. The Flower Guild members will be responsible for decorating our communion table each Sunday with flowers. The expected commitment is one or two hours, once a month. For more information, contact Martin Andrews, 703-967-4358.
- ✝ **LOST AND FOUND:** We have Lost and Found items. Items may be picked up from 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM, Friday, August 12 until Friday, August 26 in the church office. Unclaimed items will be donated.

- \* **CELEBRATING SABBATH:** Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight is the 2022-2023 Horizons Bible Study. We will consider Sabbath as a celebration, a rest, a time to serve, a day devoted to community, and as a way to honor God.

We meet at **9:30 AM** on the **second Monday of the month, starting September 12, in Room 22.** We will offer Zoom connections if someone can manage the technology during the study.

Books are \$11.00 payable to FUPCDC by check or cash, with a note that it is for Horizons Bible study. Please let Sara Porter ([saraporter@comcast.net](mailto:saraporter@comcast.net)) know by August 21<sup>st</sup> if you want a book.

- \* **CHILDREN'S EDUCATION:** In August, our preschool through sixth grade students will begin our second year with the Orange curriculum! Our preschoolers will kick things off with "Awesome Artist" month, where they'll talk about the most amazing work of art - the one we see in the mirror each day - people! God made everything, but people are God's most wonderful creation because we are the only creation made in God's very own image. God made us to think and figure things out, to create and invent, and to help others - just like God. Every time we look in the mirror and look at another person, we are seeing God's masterpiece. We want preschoolers to know that they are wonderfully made because of WHO made them - THE awesome artist - God!

Our kindergarten through sixth grade students will study "Epic: A Love Story for the Ages", where they'll be reminded that love starts and ends with God. Love has always been the point of how God has interacted with the world. Since the beginning of time, God's love has always been on display. That's why we chose love to kick off a year through the Bible. From Genesis to Revelation, God inspired writers of Scripture, whose works come together to tell God's Big Story. But God's love isn't just about what happened in history. God loves US today! And we have the chance to share God's love with others, right here and now. We know that God loved us first. God loved us enough to send Jesus for us. In response, we can show how much we love God by loving others . . . and showing people how much they matter to us.

- \* **HOLY FITNESS:** Come join us on **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 10:30 AM in the Triple Room.** The goal of Holy Fitness is to help aging adults with moving and maintain an independent lifestyle. The exercises are designed to improve strength, endurance, coordination, and balance. Minimum age for participation is 55. If you are interested in the program, please contact Fred Menke, [fhmenke@verizon.net](mailto:fhmenke@verizon.net) or the church office.

## *Student Ministry News*

- \* **TEXT MESSAGES:** Sign up for Text Messages: Text [@youthfupc](https://text.youthfupc.com) to 81010.



# *Joys and Concerns*

## **All those who are ill or facing difficulties, including:**

- \* Rick Bockes
- \* Peggy Young
- \* Dineen Hoagland
- \* Sarpong Amako/Ata
- \* Margaret Mosley
- \* Family of Gret Glycer
- \* Sandra D'Imperio
- \* Debbie Niederriter
- \* Mark Stewart
- \* Andy Stewart
- \* Cherie Sankey
- \* Bill and Laura Parris
- \* Melissa Behrens
- \* Baby Louisa Wolstenholme
- \* Marjorie Lawrence
- \* Jason, Azena, Mikhail Corbin
- \* Amanda
- \* Pat Greenhalgh
- \* Baby Raphael
- \* Tanya
- \* Jeannine Menzie
- \* Deborah Folly
- \* Sue Lickiss
- \* Lee Watenpaugh
- \* Norman Cobb
- \* Rev. Bill Clark
- \* Keith Peterman
- \* Frank Coniglio
- \* Ann Hoagland
- \* Leigh Anderson
- \* Linda Ford
- \* Norman Cox
- \* Nate Johnson
- \* Grace Ofosu-Addo
- \* Ann Randles
- \* Amy Smith

✝ Please email the church office and let us know of answered prayers and praises. Thank you!

\* Congregational love and sympathy are extended to Sara and Bob Porter and family at the death of Sara's brother, David Behrens, who died in Gadsden, AL, on Monday, August 1, 2022. Prayers for David's wife, Melissa and family. Please lift the entire family up in prayer at this time.

## **All those serving in our military who are stationed away from home, including from our church:**

- ✝ Kelsey Gibson (Affiliate Member of FUPCDC)
- ✝ Elizabeth Batista (Ana Batista Caporaletti's daughter)
- ✝ David Cornelius, Jr. (Debbie Cornelius' son)

## **The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:**

- ✝ Calvary Presbyterian Church - Alexandria, VA
- ✝ Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church - Washington, DC

## SESSION

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## DEACONS

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Bob Albrecht	Agnes Fokwa	Debbie Cornelius
Sandy Chamberlin	Helen Franchois	Wendy DiVico
Claudia Cunningham	Nne Kalu	Claire Hoagland
Pam Emert	Kathy McNeely	Mary Jones
Ellen Nuernberger		Mike Slayter
Tracy Stevens		

Mike Slayter, Ministry Team Leader 703-670-4648

# Calendar

## August 14 - 21, 2022

### SUNDAY, August 14

9:00 AM Children's Education  
 9:00 AM NOOMA Bible Study (Adult/Youth)  
 10:00 AM Worship - **ONE SERVICE**  
 1:15 PM Property Ministry Team

### MONDAY, August 15

10:30 AM Holy Fitness  
 8:30 PM Production Meeting - Google Meet

### TUESDAY, August 16

8:30 AM TOPS  
 1:00 PM Al-Anon  
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964 B  
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964 G  
 7:30 PM Personnel Committee  
 7:30 PM AA  
 7:30 PM Bull Run Troubadours

### WEDNESDAY, August 17

10:30 AM Holy Fitness  
 7:00 PM Chancel Choir

### THURSDAY, August 18

3:00 PM Prayer and Praise Small Group  
 8:00 PM AA Support Group

### FRIDAY, August 19

10:30 AM Holy Fitness  
 7:30 PM National Capital Area of Emmaus

### SATURDAY, August 20

9:00 AM Boy Scout Troop 964 Family Picnic

### SUNDAY, August 21

**Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday**  
 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional  
 9:45 AM Children's Education  
 9:45 AM NOOMA Bible Study (Adult/Youth)  
 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary  
 3:00 PM New Dominion Choraliers  
 of Prince William County Concert

#### First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, Woodbridge, VA

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Pastor.....	Rev. Adam C. Bowling
Parish Assistant.....	Pastor Michael Slayter
Chancel Choir Director.....	Dana Van Slyke
Pianist/Organist.....	Justin Streletz
Contemporary Worship Directors.....	Becca and Chris Anderson
Young People's Choir Directors.....	Becca and Chris Anderson
Nursery Supervisor.....	Joann Paige
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 Church Office Hours: 10AM -2:30PM, weekdays, 703-670-7834  
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## Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday - August 21, 2022

### Two Services on Sunday, August 21, 2022

8:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

11:00 AM - Contemporary Worship Service

9:45 AM - Children's Education

9:45 AM - Adult/Youth Bible Study

Kids and students of all ages, as well as teachers and staff, are encouraged to bring their backpacks and/or school bags for a special Blessing of the Backpacks during both worship services on Sunday, August 21.

Each participant will receive a special "Blessings Tag" for their bag. We hope the tags remind us all that God is with us wherever we go.

Learn more: [www.fupcdc.org](http://www.fupcdc.org)