

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

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Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday

August 21, 2022

8:30 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

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WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

WELCOME

Rev. Adam C. Bowling

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.

PRELUDE

I Love to Tell the Story

HANKEY, Arr. Michael Cox

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God: welcome!

Welcome to this place of love and grace,

Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

God invites all of us to share in the good news:

We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

+ OPENING HYMN

I Love to Tell the Story

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have committed to your church the care and nurture of your children. Enlighten with your wisdom those who teach and those who learn, that rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth, they may worship you and serve you from generation to generation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

As people of faith, we believe that God hears our prayers. When we humbly approach God with our prayers of confession, our brokenness is mended, our wounds are healed, our lives are made whole. We offer our prayers, believing that God hears our cries for help. Therefore, let us confess the ways we have fallen short, by praying together. . .

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, you entrusted to us the work of teaching and nurturing your people, but we believe we have not done much that would please you. We fall short in our response to your call to teach and proclaim your love. We fall short in living out the life you have exemplified. We fall short in responding to the needs of the least of your people. Forgive us from our failures in doing these tasks, for the unwillingness to share our gifts and refusing to recognize our weaknesses.

We also fail to discern your will for us, and choose to live and do that which is easy and comfortable. We grow content with what we have already learned, and refuse to be renewed by your Word. Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray. Enliven us and stir us from our sleep, apathy, and selfishness. Move us to commit ourselves in the work of ushering in your kingdom. Come to us with power that we may live as forgiven people, called to right relationship with you and others. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(John 3:16-17)*

Hear this good news:

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Hearing this good news, know that we are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God!

+ **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

Blessing of the Backpacks

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God our helper, show us your ways and teach us your paths. By your Holy Spirit, open our minds that we may be led in your truth, and pour into our hearts the power of your grace so that we can find the courage to be faithful through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Deuteronomy 6:1-9 NRSV

“Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the Lord your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, ²so that you and your children and your children’s children may fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. ³Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

⁴“Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. ⁵You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. ⁸Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, ⁹and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 2:52 NRSV

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years and in divine and human favor.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

A New and Glorious Day
FUPCDC Chancel Choir

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SERMON

Think Orange

Rev. Adam C. Bowling

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 Pastor Adam or someone at the Welcome Table in the back of the sanctuary. For those worshipping online, please email Pastor Adam at adam.bowling@fupcdc.org. Know that ALL are welcome in this place!

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+ **HYMN OF RESPONSE** *We Thank You, God, For Teachers*

Tune: 504

WIE LIEBLICHST DERMAIEN 7.6.7.6 D ("We Come as Guests Invited")

**We thank you, God, for teachers Who help us learn your Way,
Who show by their example How we can serve and pray,
Who find great joy in worship, Who listen with concern;
For in their loving witness, They help us want to learn.**

**We thank you, God, for children And older people, too,
Who value times of learning And want to grow in you,
Who seek your precious kingdom And wisdom from above;
For wise ones of all ages Still seek to learn your love.**

**We thank you, God, for families Of every kind and size,
Who keep the vows they spoke when Their children were baptized,
Who pray and read the Bible, Who love and serve the poor;
They teach, by what they value, The way of Christ our Lord.**

**We thank you, God, for churches That welcome one and all,
That nurture every person In answer to Christ's call.
So fill us with your Spirit, And give us life anew,
That we may help each other Live faithfully in you.**

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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 *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* MORECAMBE, Arr. Mark Hayes
Justin Streletz, Pianist

*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**

We give you thanks, God of wisdom, for your generous gifts to us. For the gift of life itself, our family, our friends, this church, our community, our nation, this earth. All good gifts come from you. Accept this tribute of thanksgiving for all you have lavished upon us, and use it for your purposes so that all people may know your abundant blessings through Christ our Lord. It is in Christ's name we pray.

Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

+ **HYMN**

I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

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+ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

+ **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Guide My Feet

741

+ **POSTLUDE**

Lead Me, Lord

Samuel S. Wesley, *Arr.* Robert W. Thygeron
Justin Streletz, Pianist

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

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.
- * **WORSHIP ASSISTANT:** Richard Mitchell
- * **FLOWERS** are given by Bruce and Betsy Gilbert in memory of their parents.

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

- ✝ **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION/SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:45 AM:** The Adult/Youth Bible Study (Room 22) and the Children's Education (Rooms 1 and 2) meet on Sundays at 9:45 AM.
- ✝ **PHOTO DIRECTORY:** Is your family missing from the photo directory? Or would you like to update your photo? TODAY, Sunday, August 21st and Sunday, August 28th, Tori Guest can take your photo for the church directory and/or the 50th Anniversary wall. **Tori will be taking photos after the 8:30 AM service and after the 11:00 AM service in the back of the sanctuary.**
- ✝ **DO YOU WANT TO BE A GOOD STEWARD OF THE EARTH?:** The Earth Care Team under the Stewardship Ministry are looking for a few good stewards. If you would like to join a small, but mighty team tending to Earth Care, please email Lora Nedimyer at loraned@comcast.net.
- ✝ **50TH ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS:** Order your 50th anniversary T-shirt now! (\$12 for children, \$15-\$20 for Adults) The last day to order is Sunday, August 28th. Money is due upon pick up of t-shirts starting Sunday, September 11th. The online form to order is in the Thursday News.

- † **GREAT DAY OF SERVICE:** Sign-up to participate in our Great Day of Service **Sunday, September 11th from 9 AM - 12 Noon**. We will gather in the sanctuary of FUPCDC (14391 Minnieville Road, Woodbridge, VA 22193) at 9:00 AM to pray, sing one song, and split into groups to go into the community to serve! All ages are welcome to sign up and participate in projects that include: packing lunches for the homeless, a traveling sing-along, gardening at Prince William Forest Park, handing out food through Northern VA Food Rescue, gardening at church, or staying at church and making cards for folks who could use some love and cheer. Sign up in the Welcome Center or on the sign up link in the Thursday News.
- * **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:** Lost and Found 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.
 - * **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.
 - * **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.
 - * **BLESSING OF THE CHURCH:** We invite you to join us at the church at **4:00 PM on the 1st 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, or Betsy Gilbert, betsy.gilbert24@gmail.com.
 - * **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) know by August 21st if you want a book.

- * **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 or the church office.

Student Ministry News

- * **TEXT MESSAGES:** Sign up for Text Messages: Text @youthfupc to 81010.

Joys and Concerns

All those who are ill or facing difficulties, including:

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

- ✝ Many thanks to the members of the congregation for the cards, emails and other expressions of sympathy to us on the death of Sara's brother, David Behrens. This is truly a loving, caring congregational family. - Bob and Sara Porter

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:

- ✠ Catoctin Presbyterian Church - Waterford, VA
- ✠ Chesterbrook Taiwanese Presbyterian Church - Falls Church, VA

SESSION

- Cathy Albrecht ('23) 703-670-8369
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- Morelle Fokwa ('24) 571-409-9435
- Ginger Galaini ('25) 571-408-1228
- Pat Manalio ('23) 703-283-2948
- Chris Martin ('23) 585-455-8423
- Sam Parris ('24) 703-946-7226
- Linda Wolstenholme ('23) ... 703-878-3697

- Rev. Adam C. Bowling.....*Moderator*..... 828-448-8914
- Sara Porter*Clerk of Session*..... 703-670-8737

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- Pat Manalio (Interim).....*Administration*..... 703-283-2948
- Mike Slayter *Congregational Care* 703-670-4648
- Charlotte Stultz.....*Evangelism & Outreach*..... 703-494-8367
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- Curt Hoagland.....*Growing in Faith*..... 703-380-3819
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- Martin Andrews *Worship*..... 703-967-4358

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DEACONS

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| 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 21 - 28, 2022

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

MONDAY, August 22

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
- 11:00 AM Bel Air Woman's Club
- 8:30 PM Production Meeting - Google Meet

TUESDAY, August 23

- 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 AA
- 7:30 PM Bull Run Troubadours

WEDNESDAY, August 24

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

THURSDAY, August 25

- 3:00 PM Prayer and Praise Small Group
- 7:00 PM Session Meeting
- 8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, August 26

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness

SATURDAY, August 27

- 10:00 AM Family Beach Day @ Dolphin Beach

SUNDAY, August 28

- 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
- 9:45 AM Children's Education
- 9:45 AM NOOMA Bible Study (Adult/Youth)
- 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
- 2:30 PM Bereaved Parents of USA

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Pastor.....	Rev. Adam C. Bowling
Parish Assistant.....	Pastor Michael Slayter
Chancel Choir Director.....	Dana Van Slyke
Pianist/Organist.....	Justin Strelitz
Contemporary Worship Directors.....	Becca and Chris Anderson
Young People's Choir Directors.....	Becca and Chris Anderson
Nursery Supervisor.....	Joann Paige
Sexton.....	Homer Detrich
Office Manager.....	Kim Parker

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