

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

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Unstoppable Kingdom

AN EASTER SERIES

6th Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

8:30 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

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WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

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 Hear Thy Welcome Voice Lewis Hartsough, Arr. John Purifoy
Justin Streletz, Pianist

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather today to worship the One who created us,
 The One who calls us,
The One who equips us,
 The One who loves us without end.
With joyful hearts, let us worship God.

+ OPENING HYMN

I Danced in the Morning

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, we seek to be more like you, more loving, more gracious, more hopeful, more holy. As we follow you and learn from your ways, give us the courage to know you more this day. In Christ's name we pray.
 Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Like a nursing mother who cannot forget her child, like a father who welcomes the prodigal son home, so God cannot turn away from us. Though we come, week after week, admitting we have turned from God's ways and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, God is merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Therefore, knowing we are beloved children of God, we can admit our failings before God and one another in order to be forgiven, receive new life, and begin again. Let us now confess our sin before God praying together. . .

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, hear our prayers.

We want to be generous like your servant Lydia,
but we fear that we will not have enough.

We want to be transformed like your servant Paul,
but we worry that we are beyond your grace.

We want to be loving like our savior Jesus,
but we wonder whether we are good enough for your call.

God of mercy, forgive our sins.

God of mercy, hear us now,

as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Forgiven and healed, we open ourselves to the grace, the peace, the hope offered to us through our loving God. There is no wrong that God cannot make right. There is no chasm that can separate us from God's love. Hearing this, 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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Startle us, O God, with your truth and open our hearts and our minds to your wondrous love. Speak your word to us; silence in us any voice but your own and be with us now as we turn our attention, our minds and our hearts, to you, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 67:1-7 NRSV

- ¹ May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,
- ² that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.
- ³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- ⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.
- ⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- ⁶ The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.
- ⁷ May God continue to bless us; let all the ends of the earth revere him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

We Have One Faith
FUPCDC Chancel Choir

Martin

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 16:9-15 NRSV

⁹ During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' ¹⁰ When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹ We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹² and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³ On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.

¹⁴ A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵ When she and her household were baptized,

she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

An Unexpected Call

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 right outside 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** *Will You Come and Follow Me* 726

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

They'll Know We Are Christians
Justin Streletz, Pianist

ST. BRENDAN'S, Arr. Stan Pethel

+ **DOXOLOGY** 606

*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, you give us everything that is good—our homes, our food, our families, and even our lives. All that we own and all that we are belong to you. Since you give us so much, we thank you by sharing our time, talents, and right now our money with others in need. Use these gifts to show your love to people throughout our world in Jesus' name.
Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

- + **HYMN** *Lead Me, Guide Me* 740
- + **OUR VISION**
Here at First United Presbyterian we are
Welcoming All, Growing Together, Serving with Joy!
- + **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Rev. Adam C. Bowling
- + **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *Lead Me, Guide Me (Reprise)* 740
- + **POSTLUDE** *Send the Light* Charles H. Gabriel, Arr. Myra Schubert
Justin Streletz, Pianist
- + *Please stand, in body or in spirit.*

Worship Notes

- * **WELCOME!** Whether 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 right outside 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.
- * **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:**

Alessandro Trujillo	8:30 AM
Morelle Fokwa	11:00 AM
- * **FLOWERS** are given by Bob and Sandy Chamberlin in memory and honor of all mothers everywhere.

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.
- * **THURSDAY NEWS FROM FIRST UNITED:** To read about all the great things that are happening at FUPCDC, you can receive a weekly email. To sign up for the Thursday News, go to <https://fupcdc.org> and click on the church email signups button or email the church office at office@fupcdc.org.
- * **CONNECT CARD/PRAYER CARD:** If you are new to FUPCDC or you need to update your information, please fill out a Connect Card. On the back side is the Prayer Card. It would be our honor to pray for your joys and concerns. Please drop the card in the Prayer Request box in the Welcome Center.

Ministry in Action

- ✝ **CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES, SINCE JULY 2022:** If you or your student has graduated or are graduating from high school, college/university, or a certificated program, we would like to acknowledge your accomplishments during the **ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 AM on June 4th**. If you or your student would like to be recognized, please email the church office this information by **May 28th**:

Graduate's Name
High School/College
Next Plans

Digital photo (headshot only - minimum resolution 100 dpi)

If graduating from college, please include the name of the college and the degree obtained.

If you have any questions contact the church office at office@fupcdc.org or 703-670-7834. Thank you!

- ✝ **MAKING 500 LUNCHESES:** We are making lunches for Spread the Bread on Saturday, May 13th and Saturday, June 10th at 11:00 AM. Join us as we help the less fortunate of our community. Please see the Thursday News to sign up.
- ✝ **PER CAPITA:** FUPCDC provides an annual Per Capita contribution on behalf of all members that supports and keeps the three governing bodies of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in operation for a full year. Per Capita is a designated dollar amount that is asked of each member of the Presbytery Church (USA) as a yearly voluntary contribution and is based on our reported church membership. The total 2023 Per Capita dollar amount is **\$47.13** per member. Members of the FUPCDC congregation are invited to make a voluntary contribution in the amount above. Please include "Per Capita" in the memo line of your electronic or check contribution. For more information, please visit <https://thepresbytery.org> and go to Giving and 2023 Per Capita.
- ✝ **PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY:** On **Wednesdays at 7 PM** come to the Bible study Heaven: The Official Study Guide by Randy Alcorn. Discover what the Bible says about the eternal home God has prepared for God's children. Designed to accompany Randy Alcorn's book, Heaven, these teachings will bring peace and hope to those grieving the loss of a loved one or who are curious about what Heaven will be like. On **May 17th**, our session will be "Living with God"
- ✝ **WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE MEAL: It's Taco Truck Night!** Please join us for Wednesday Night Alive dinner on **May 17th at 6:00 PM**. Purchase your dinner at the Taco Truck. Dinners range from \$7 - \$14. Buy a soft drink or bring your own. We'll provide water and lemonade. If you prefer, feel free to bring your own dinner. Look forward to seeing you.
- * **ADULT/YOUTH BIBLE STUDY:** Join us at **9:45 PM** on Sundays for the Bible study, "Reckless Love, Jesus' Call to Love our Neighbor" by Tom Berlin. The book is available on Amazon. For more information, contact Curt Hoagland at choagieva@yahoo.com.
- * **252 KIDS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: We will meet today at 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM after Time for Children.** Contact Erin Bowling at erinkbowling@gmail.com for more information. **252 KIDS Club meets at 9:45 AM.**

- * **WOMEN'S RETREAT:** Our Women's Retreat "Discernment: Listening for God" with Associate Pastor Kate Fiedler will be on **Saturday, May 20th**. A light breakfast will be available at **8:30 AM**, and the retreat will be from **9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon**. If you have any questions, please email Betsy Gilbert at betsy.gilbert24@gmail.com. See the Thursday News for the link to sign up.
- * **JOSEPH TRIP:** You won't want to miss this carpool trip **Sunday afternoon, June 11th**. Come with us to the Riverside Center for the Performing Arts in Fredericksburg to see *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. We have **reserved 40 seats**. Tickets are **\$55 each**. And...Ellie Bowling will be part of the "Children's Ensemble." See the Thursday News to order tickets.

Student Ministry News

- * **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We are working hard to rebuild the FUPCDC Youth program after COVID. We need Bread Sunday Bible Study Hosts, Chaperones, Bible Study Leaders, Cooks, and More! Sign up here to volunteer: [First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, VA: Help with FUPCDC Youth Group - 2023 \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com) or go to the Volunteer sign up on the Thursday News. Thank you!
- * **SPRING YOUTH CALENDARS:** Youth calendars are now available online and in the Welcome Center.
- * **STUDENT MINISTRY EMAILS:** Sign up to receive Student Ministry emails. Ask Pastor Adam how to do this, or go to the FUPCDC website.
- * **TEXT MESSAGES:** Sign up for Text Messages: Text [@youthfupc](https://www.youthfupc.com) to **81010**.

Joys and Concerns

All those who are ill or facing difficulties, including:

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| ✝ Mikon Jones | * Pat Greenhalgh | * Karen Gundel | * Deborah Folly |
| ✝ Norman Cobb | * Debbie Niederriter | * Gretchen Snyder | * Linda Ford |
| ✝ Kodjo Ayebi-Kwakye | * Baby Raphael | * Jeannine Menzie | * Rick Bockes |
| * Sofie Garrett | * Tanya | * Lee Watenpaugh | * Ann Randles |
| * Baby Louisa Wolstenholme | * Amanda | * Doug Godfrey | * Leigh Anderson |
| * Jason, Arina, Mikail Corbin | * Sharon Barnhardt | * Amanda Peck | * Nate Johnson |
| * Bill and Laura Parris | * Nathan Johnson, III | * Nancy Hoagland | |

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:

- ✝ Silver Spring Presbyterian Church - Silver Spring, MD
- ✝ Sixth Presbyterian Church - Washington, DC

Calendar

May 14 - 21, 2023

SUNDAY, May 14

Mother's Day

- 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
- 8:45 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry
- 9:45 AM Adult/Youth Bible Study
- 9:45 AM 252 Kids Club
- 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
- 11:15 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry
- 1:15 PM Property Team Ministry Team

NO PM YOUTH

MONDAY, May 15

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
- 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 289 - Tiger Den
- 7:00 PM Bible Buddies

TUESDAY, May 16

- 8:30 AM TOPS
- 1:00 PM Al-Anon
- 2:00 PM Fellowship Ministry Team
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964 B
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964 G
- 7:00 PM Evangelism & Outreach Ministry Team
- 7:00 PM Worship Ministry Team
- 7:30 PM AA
- 7:30 PM Bull Run Troubadours

WEDNESDAY, May 17

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
- 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 80115
- 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Alive Meal
- 7:00 PM Pastor's Bible Study
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
- 8:00 PM FUPCDC Praise Team

THURSDAY, May 18

- 10:00 AM Postpartum Support VA
- 3:00 PM Prayer & Praise Small Group
- 7:00 PM Ministry Team Leaders Meeting
- 7:00 PM Earth Care Committee
- 8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, May 19

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
- 5:30 PM NCAE FUPCDC Ultreya

SATURDAY, May 20

- 8:30 AM Women's Retreat
- 12:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 Olympics

SUNDAY, May 21

Music Sunday

- 8:45 AM Adult/Youth Bible Study
- 10:00 AM Worship - One Service
- 10:15 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry
- Youth - Trip to see *School of Rock* at the Hylton Center - TBD

SESSION

Cathy Albrecht ('23)	703-670-8369
Amy Bean ('25)	703-670-3790
Bill Ediage ('24)	571-477-9306
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	<i>Moderator</i> 828-448-8914
Sara Porter	<i>Clerk of Session</i> 703-670-8737

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

Pat Manalio (Interim)	<i>Administration</i>	703-283-2948
Mike Slayter	<i>Congregational Care</i>	703-670-4648
Charlotte Stultz	<i>Evangelism & Outreach</i>	703-494-8367
Betsy Gilbert	<i>Fellowship</i>	703-670-4949
Curt Hoagland	<i>Growing in Faith</i>	703-380-3819
Pam Cox	<i>Mission</i>	703-441-6319
Mike Gundel	<i>Property</i>	301-767-5030
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Martin Andrews	<i>Worship</i>	703-967-4358
Rev. Adam C. Bowling	<i>Moderator</i>	828-448-8914

DEACONS

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

Mike Slayter, Ministry Team Leader 703-670-4648

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, Woodbridge, VA

Ministers.....People of the Church
Pastor.....Rev. Adam C. Bowling
Parish Assistant..... Pastor Michael Slayter
Chancel Choir Director..... Dana Van Slyke
Contemporary Worship Leader.....Theresa Arnold
Pianist/Organist.....Justin Streletz
Nursery Supervisor..... Joann Paige
Sexton..... Homer Detrich
Office Manager..... Kim Parker



SCAN TO GIVE



First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, VA is a PC(USA) Congregation. We are a Matthew 25 church that is Earth Care Certified and part of the More Light Presbyterians—ALL are welcome and wanted!



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Church Office Hours: 10AM -2:30PM, weekdays, 703-670-7834
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