

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

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“And they gave glory
to **God**, saying,
'God has clearly granted
to the gentiles too
the **repentance**
that leads to life.'”

Acts 11:18

5th Sunday of Easter

May 15, 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

He Comes to Us as One Unknown
Justin Streletz, Pianist

REPTON, Arr. Thomas Keesecker

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord, all the earth!

**Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise the Lord in the heights.**

Praise the name of the Lord,
and the Lord's glory shall be praised,
**for people near and people far,
for people present and people to come,
for the young and for those wise with age.**

Come, let us praise the Lord;
come, let us worship God.

+ OPENING HYMN

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious and Loving God, we are grateful that you have called us together this day, drawing us from darkness to the glory of your light. May our spirits rejoice at the good news you have for us today. Open our hearts to your healing love, for we ask this in Christ's Name.

Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION (*Romans 5:8, Hebrews 4:16*)

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God and one another, as we pray together. . .

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all people, our hearts are too narrow, our perspectives are too small. We reject those who are not like us—those with different political opinions, those who struggle with mental illness, those who disagree with us. We forget that all are your beloved children, and neglect your call to love one another. Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we have failed to be a people known by our love. Show us how to be more caring. Teach us how to love one another, and make us faithful disciples. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God dwells among us,
giving to all who believe
the repentance that leads to life.
Rejoice in the Lord,
for we are a forgiven people.
 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

Rev. Adam C. Bowling

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Great creator of all peoples, holy sustainer of all life, in whom we live and move and have our being, reveal your nature and your will in the reading of the scriptures that we may worship and adore you through the Risen Christ.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 12:1-3 NRSV

Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me
FUPCDC Chancel Choir

Lloyd Larson

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 11:1-18 NRSV

Now the apostles and the brothers and sisters who were in Judea heard that the gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners, and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ ⁸But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord, for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ ⁹But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by

which you and your entire household will be saved.’¹⁵ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning.¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’¹⁷ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?”¹⁸ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

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

SERMON

The Walls Come Down

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 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** *In Christ There is No East or West* 317

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

Divine Mystery
Justin Streletz, Pianist

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM, Arr. Mark Patterson

+ **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**

Loving God, you have given us the task to love one another. May the gifts we offer bring love and life to others. May the love we share bring hope to a world that has forgotten how to love. This we pray in Jesus' name,
Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

+ **HYMN** *We Are One in the Spirit (They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love)* 300

+ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

+ **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *Now Go In Joy* 745

**Now go in joy
to spread the Word
till all people have heard:
God embraces all!
Follow, then, the disciples' call:
tend your neighbors with loving care
in daily work and prayer.
God's own grace empower your spirit.
Amen!**

+ **POSTLUDE** *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*
Mark Andrews, Arr. Faye López
Justin Streletz, Pianist

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



The sunflowers in the sanctuary are a visual reminder to pray for the people of Ukraine.

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 ASSISTANTS:** Rick Mitchell (8:30)
Morelle Fokwa (11:00)
- * **FLOWERS** are given by Joel and Donna Seckar 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.

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- ✝ **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

- ✝ **CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES, SINCE JULY 2021:** If you have 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 12th**. If you or your student would like to be recognized, please email the church office this information by **May 30th**:

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!

- ✝ **WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE MEAL:** Please join us for the Wednesday Night Meal at **6 PM**. On **May 18th** the meal is **Baked Potato Bar**. Please contact Gaylene Guest at 703-398-7449 with any questions.
- ✝ **PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY:** Please join us on **Wednesday, May 18th** as we study the gospel of Matthew at **7:00 PM** in **Room 22** or Zoom.
- ✝ **DISCOVER FIRST UNITED LUNCH (TODAY, 12:10 PM, Room 22):** This event is designed to introduce you and your family to the church and is open to anyone interested in learning more about our church and/or membership. Lunch will be provided for your entire family.
- ✝ **FUPCDC GOES TO THE MOVIES:** Join us at Potomac Mills AMC on **Tuesday, May 17th** for the 6:15 PM showing of "Family Camp." Purchase your own tickets online or at the theater. See you there!
- ✝ **MISSION CO-WORKER ZOOM EVENT:** Would you like to hear about the work of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and the Presbyterian Church of Cameroon from a mission co-worker who is currently working in the Central Region of Africa? If your answer is yes, then please join us on **Sunday, May 22 at 2:00 PM** in the Triple Room as we join a Zoom presentation by Jeff Boyd, a mission co-worker in Cameroon.

The Presbyterian World Mission supports work-scholarship programs that simultaneously provide affordable access to secondary education, while putting to use available land at rural schools so long-lasting orchards can be prepared for future sustainability. This helps balance declining Cameroon government subsidies for education, which has left parents with increased school tuition bills that they cannot afford. Our church partners deeply value education, and the PCUSA supports their work. They also support the training of pastors as well as lay church leaders who often take the lead on rural new church development. The Presbyterian World Mission has worked in Cameroon since 1875.

Please bring your family and friends - all are welcome!

✝ **CHURCH DEACONS MEET & GREET:** We will have a meet and greet with the church deacons after the **June 12th, 10 AM ONE WORSHIP SERVICE (from 11 AM to 12 PM)**. Punch and cookies will be served.

✝ **FUPCDC'S 50th FIT TOGETHER CHALLENGE:** We would love for you to join us as we get ready to be fit for FUPCDC's next 50 Years! Since we have built a strong foundation together the last 50 years, we are asking you to think of that number as you challenge yourself this summer. This summer, **starting on June 1 and ending on September 1**, we are asking you to challenge yourself to complete some sort of physical activity with the theme of "50" between those dates.

You could do anything with that theme of 50; challenge yourself. You could walk 50 days, walk around your living room 50 times, 50 walks out to the mailbox, 50 blocks in your neighborhood, exercise 50 times, 50 pushups, 50 sit ups, 50 hikes, 50 games of pickleball. The possibilities are solely dependent on you—you can do whatever you want. We encourage you to work with a friend, family member, or another member, neighbor or whomever to complete the challenge. It can be as simple or complex as you want. Challenge each other! Set a goal as a group and work together! Set a family goal! Make it fun and get some exercise while doing it!

If you like social media, let us know how you are doing on our 50th Facebook page and if you need anything on your journey! Share how you are doing!
More information and registration coming soon!

✝ **(SAVE THE DATE) SWEETS AND TREATS OLD FASHIONED SUMMER SING ALONG CONCERT!:** This is a Free family event on June 18th from 2:00 - 4:00 PM on the church lawn. Bring Your Own Chairs!

Student Ministry News

- * **YOUTH ADVISORS (ADULT VOLUNTEERS):** We are looking for Youth Advisors (Adult Volunteers). Please contact Pastor Adam if you are interested in helping with Student Ministry.
- * **TEXT MESSAGES:** Sign up for Text Messages: Text @youthfupc to 81010.

Joys and Concerns

All those who are ill or facing difficulties, including:

✝ Peter Glycer	* Bill and Laura Parris	* Cherie Sankey	* Jeannine Menzie
✝ Todd Willever	* David and Melissa Behrens	* Michael Moore	* Leigh Anderson
* Andy Ford	* Jason, Adriana, Mikhail Corbin	* Tanya	* Linda Ford
* Kay Hinegardner	* Gary and Keith Albrecht	* Amanda	* Norman Cox
* Nancy McDermott	* Lee and Giselle Watenpaugh	* Susan Bennett	* Nate Johnson
* Sandra D'Imperio	* Baby Louisa Wolstenholme	* Thomas Prinz	* Grace Ofosu-Addo
* Debbie Niederriter	* Jeanette Barbee	* Baby Raphael	* Shirley Westveer
* Majorie Lawrence	* Charlie and Martha Ashton	* Jim Patterson	* Ann Randles
	* Mark Stewart	* Rev. Bill Clark	* Amy Smith

- * Congregational love and sympathy are extended to Justin Streletz and family at the death of Justin's grandmother, Marion Streletz, on Wednesday, May 4, 2022. Prayers for comfort and peace during this time of grief and a reminder of God's promises. Please lift Justin and family up in prayer during this time.
- * Congregational love and sympathy are extended to Craig Layton at the death of Craig's friend, Joe Curry, who passed away from his courageous battle with cancer earlier this week. Please lift Craig and the friends and family of Joe up in prayer during this time.
- ✝ Thank you for your heart felt prayers, as we are experiencing health issues. Please keep us in your prayers. - Charlie and Martha Ashton (Former Members of FUPCDC)
- * Dear Ones, Bob and I cannot thank you enough for your thoughtfulness at the sudden loss of our nephew Cory. Your kind words, prayers, and cards were comforting during this difficult time. Love to our church family and friends, Ellen Nuernberger

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)

The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- ✝ United Parish of Bowie - Bowie, MD
- ✝ Vienna Presbyterian Church - Vienna, VA

SESSION

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DEACONS

Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Debbie Cornelius	Bob Albrecht	Agnes Fokwa
Liz Goolgasian	Sandy Chamberlin	Deborah Folly
Anne Green	Claudia Cunningham	Helen Franchois
Charlotte Stultz	Pam Emert	Nne Kalu
	Ellen Nuernberger	Kathy McNeely
	Tracy Stevens	

Ellen Nuernberger, Ministry Team Leader	703-878-0009
Deborah Folly, Ministry Team Leader	703-606-5532

Calendar

May 15 - 22, 2022

SUNDAY, May 15

- 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
- 9:30 AM Children's Education
- 9:45 AM Confirmation Class (Youth)
- 9:45 AM Ephesians Bible Study (Adult)
- 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
- 12:10 PM Discover First United Lunch/Program
- 1:00 PM Peace Church * (habla español)
- 2:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 Planning Meeting
- 3:00 PM Deacon Training

MONDAY, May 16

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
- 7:00 PM Bible Buddies
- 8:30 PM Production Meeting via Google Meet

TUESDAY, May 17

- 8:30 AM TOPS
- 1:00 PM Al-Anon
- 1:30 PM Staff Meeting
- 6:00 PM BSA Troop 964 Merit Badge Class
- 6:15 PM "Family Camp" Movie @ AMC
- 6:30 PM Congregational Care Ministry Team
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964 B
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964 G
- 7:30 PM AA 101
- 7:30 PM Bull Run Troubadours

WEDNESDAY, May 18

- 9:00 AM LHP Volunteer Coffee
- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
- 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Alive Meal
- 6:15 PM Girl Scout Troop 80115
- 6:25 PM Young People's Choir
- 7:00 PM Pastor's Bible Study
- 7:00 PM Peace Church Prayer Meeting *
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
- 8:00 PM FUPCDC Praise Team

THURSDAY, May 19

- 9:00 AM LHP Volunteer Coffee
- 3:00 PM Prayer and Praise Small Group
- 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 2279
- 7:00 PM Girl Scout Service Unit 80-5 Juliettes
- 7:00 PM Ministry Team Leaders Meeting
- 8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, May 20

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness

SATURDAY, May 21

- 12:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 Olympics

SUNDAY, May 22

Music Sunday

- 8:45 AM Children's Education
- 8:45 AM Ephesians Bible Study (Adult)
- 10:00 AM Worship - **ONE SERVICE**
- 11:15 PM Confirmation Class (Youth)
- 1:00 PM Peace Church * (habla español)
- 2:00 PM Mission Co-Worker Zoom Event (in Triple Room)
- 3:00 PM Bereaved Parents of USA
- 7:00 PM Called Session Meeting

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

Little Hands Preschool, 703-878-2366

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Ministers.....People of the Church
 Pastor.....Rev. Adam C. Bowling
 Chancel Choir Director.....Dana Van Slyke
 Pianist/Organist.....Justin Streletz
 Contemporary Worship Directors.....Becca and Chris Anderson
 Children's/Youth Choir Directors.....Becca and Chris Anderson
 Jubilation Handbell Director.....Ike Evans
 Nursery Supervisor.....Joann Paige
 Little Hands Preschool Director.....Tiffany Ramsey
 Sexton.....Homer Detrich
 Office Manager.....Kim Parker

* La iglesia de La Paz (Peace Church) es nuestra iglesia anidada de habla hispana.