

**First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)**

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**Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday**

August 21, 2022

11:00 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

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## GATHERING

+ **GATHERING SONG**

*Days of Elijah*

Robin Mark (CCLI#:1537904)

### **WELCOME**

+ **GATHERING WORDS**

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 SONG**

*Way Maker*

Osinachi Kalu, Okoro Egbu (CCLI#:7115744)

### **PRAYER OF BROKENNESS**

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 God's Grace** (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)

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**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.)*

## PROCLAIMING

**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, <sup>2</sup>so 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. <sup>3</sup>Hear 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.

<sup>4</sup>“Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. <sup>5</sup>You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup>Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. <sup>7</sup>Recite 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. <sup>8</sup>Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, <sup>9</sup> and 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!

### **MESSAGE**

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](mailto:adam.bowling@fupcdc.org). Know that ALL are welcome in this place!*

## **RESPONDING**

### **+ SONG OF RESPONSE**

*Forever*

Chris Tomlin (CCLI#:3148428)

**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

*The Greatest Commandment*

Paul Zach (CCLI#:7133722)

+ **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.**

**SENDING**

+ **SENDING SONG**                      *We Want To See Jesus Lifted High*                      Doug Horley (CCLI#:1033408)

+ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

+ **RESPONSE**                                      *Guide My Feet*                                      741

+ *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](mailto:adam.bowling@fupcdc.org).
- \* **WORSHIP ASSISTANT:** Richard Bennett
- \* **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 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, Tori Guest can take your photo for the church directory and/or the 50<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:loraned@comcast.net).
- ✠ **50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS:** Order your 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary T-shirt now! (\$12 for children, \$15-\$20 for Adults) The last day to order is Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. Money is due upon pick up of t-shirts on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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.
- \* **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.
- \* **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.
- \* **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](https://www.google.com/maps/place/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 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).
- \* **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.
- \* **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:

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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                |                   |                    |

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

✝ 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:

- ✝ Catocin Presbyterian Church - Waterford, VA
- ✝ Chesterbrook Taiwanese Presbyterian Church - Falls Church, VA

## 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 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 Styke
Pianist/Organist.....	Justin Streletz
Contemporary Worship Directors.....	Becca and Chris Anderson
Young People's Choir Directors.....	Becca and Chris Anderson
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