

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

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**The Art of
Neighboring**

13th Sunday after Pentecost
Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday
August 22, 2021
8:30 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor
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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.

WELCOME**PRELUDE**

Just as I Am/Sanctus
Justin Streletz, Pianist

WOODWORTH, Arr. Bradley Sowash

+ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (*inspired by Matthew 22:34-40, Mark 12:30-31*)

We hear the voice of God calling,
“Love your neighbor as yourself.”
 We feel the Spirit moving among us,
moving us to acts of compassion and justice.
 We know the love of Jesus.
We love because Christ first loved us.
 Come, worship God together.
Come, let us serve our God,
who calls us by name.

+ **OPENING HYMN**

To God Be the Glory

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord, you have said that to truly love you then we must also love our neighbors, which can be difficult when we disagree or lifestyles clash. Yet, in overcoming those difficulties it is possible to see the miracle that you love someone like me. Teach us to love, Lord, as you have loved us that this world might be a better neighborhood in which to live and serve. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Hear these words from 1 John 2:1-2, “Children of God, I am speaking these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.” Knowing this, let us confess our sins, by praying together. . .

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, in Christ Jesus, you teach us to love our neighbors but instead we build dividing walls of hostility. You show us how to love one another as sisters and brothers but instead we hide from our own human family. You ask us to seek out the stranger and welcome the guest. You want us to share your abundant gifts with the poor but instead we cling tightly to our possessions and our privilege. You call us to proclaim good news to all people but instead we waste our words and hide our light. Lord, our loving God, have mercy on us. Forgive our sin, open our hearts, and change our lives. Fill us with the Holy Spirit. Make us holy and whole—one people, united in faith, hope, and love through Jesus Christ, our reconciler and redeemer. 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)*

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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.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Blessing of the Backpacks

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Loving God, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Numbers 13:1-3, 25-33

The Lord said to Moses, ² “Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Israelites; from each of their ancestral tribes you shall send a man, every one a leader among them.” ³ So Moses sent them from the wilderness of Paran, according to the command of the Lord, all of them leading men among the Israelites.

²⁵ At the end of forty days they returned from spying out the land. ²⁶ And they came to Moses and Aaron and to all the congregation of the Israelites in the wilderness of Paran, at Kadesh; they brought back word to them and to all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land. ²⁷ And they told him, “We came to the land to which you sent us; it flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. ²⁸ Yet the people who live in the land are strong, and the towns are fortified and very large; and besides, we saw the descendants of Anak there. ²⁹ The Amalekites live in the land of the Negeb; the Hittites, the Jebusites, and the Amorites live in the hill country; and the Canaanites live by the sea, and along the Jordan.”

³⁰ But Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, “Let us go up at once and occupy it, for we are well able to overcome it.” ³¹ Then the men who had gone up with him said, “We are not able to go up against this people, for they are stronger than we.” ³² So they brought to the Israelites an unfavorable report of the land that they had spied out, saying, “The land that we have gone through as spies is a land that devours its inhabitants; and all the people that we saw in it are of great size. ³³ There we saw the Nephilim (the Anakites come from the Nephilim); and to ourselves we seemed like grasshoppers, and so we seemed to them.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

My Savior

Don Besig

Sonya Dunn, Lois Walker, Jim Christie, Dave Stokes

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 5:27-32 NRSV

After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.” ²⁸ And he got up, left everything, and followed him.

²⁹ Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house; and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others sitting at the table with them. ³⁰ The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, saying, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?” ³¹ Jesus answered, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; ³² I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance.”

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

SERMON

The Art of Neighboring: The Fear Factor

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 an usher. 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** *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* 415

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

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE, Arr. Larry Shackley

Justin Streletz, Pianist

+ **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, bless these gifts that we give today, that they may be used to further the work of your kingdom. May we look at others as if through your eyes, less judging, more loving, and seeing them, like us, as not perfect or finished but as a work in progress that will be completed in due time by your hands. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

- + **HYMN** *The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound* 766
- + **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Rev. Adam C. Bowling
- + **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *God Welcomes All* 399
- + **POSTLUDE** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* HYFRYDOL, Arr. Joel Raney
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 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.
- * **BELL RINGER:** Ike Evans (8:30)
- * **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:** Sara Porter (8:30)
Richard and Beth Bennett, Pam Cox (11:00)
- * **FLOWERS** are given by Betsy and Bruce Gilbert in honor of their 53rd wedding anniversary.

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.

Ministry in Action

- ✝ **DISASTER RELIEF:** This past week many of our brothers and sisters experienced devastating losses caused by disasters in Haiti. If you are in a financial position to do so, we encourage you to help FUPCDC support the disaster relief by making a special donation for this ministry. If you donate by check or through your bank bill pay please write *Disaster Relief* in the memo line; if you give online please enter *Disaster Relief* in the notes section. **Thank you** for your generous support of FUPCDC ministries.
- * **WALKING THE PRAYER LABYRINTH - AUGUST 29th:** Please join us at the Trinity Episcopal Church, 825 College Avenue in Fredericksburg at **3:00 PM**. We will have a volunteer meet with us to explain more about the Prayer Labyrinth recently constructed on the grounds of the church. If you are interested in this trip or would like more information, please call or text Betsy Gilbert 703-343-3921.
- * **MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Men, please join us for breakfast on September 11th at 8:00 AM. We also have several small groups of men that meet weekly for 30 minutes for devotion and prayer time on a phone-in conference call. We have slots available on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Please contact Sam Parris for your slot: 703-946-7266 or email at samjparris@aol.com.

- * **SAVE THE DATE: CHURCH PICNIC - SEPTEMBER 12th:** Please join us for food and fellowship on the grounds of the church following the Music Sunday one worship service at **10:00 AM**. This year is different...all food will be provided (hamburgers, hotdogs, chips and dessert). Please bring your filled water bottle or drink, and chairs or blankets. We'd like to have canopies for sun coverage. Do you have one that we can borrow? Watch for the picnic signup which is coming soon. This picnic is weather dependent. If the weather forecast calls for rain on picnic Sunday, we will make a decision to cancel by Thursday and will notify you by a church-wide email. There will not be a rain date. For more information, please call/text Betsy Gilbert, 703-343-3921.
- * **INDOOR WORSHIP:** Masks are encouraged (for age 2 and up), but not required for vaccinated individuals. Masks are required for unvaccinated individuals age 5 and up. N95 masks are encouraged for people in vulnerable populations. Both services will also be live streamed for those who choose to worship at home.
- * **NURSERY:** The church nursery is open to children (infant through 4 years old) on a reservation basis for the 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM worship services. All nursery staff and volunteers are vaccinated against COVID-19, and spots will be limited to keep class sizes small. Masks are recommended for ages 3 and up, but not required. Please do not place your child in the nursery if they have a fever, cough, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, or other symptoms of illness. Please do not place your child in the nursery if they have been exposed to someone who is COVID-19 positive in the past 14 days. We will also be doing temperature checks for those attending the church nursery and for staff. The registration link is on the church website.
- * **HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY:** The Horizons Bible study group will return on **Monday, September 13th**. "What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus" will explore how the four women mentioned in Jesus' family tree (Tamar, Rahab, Bathsheba - unlikely heroines, Ruth) and his mother Mary may have influenced Jesus. We will meet on the **second Monday of the month, September through June at 9:30 AM in Room 22**. We will be meeting in-person and plan to use technology to also be able to have people join us via Zoom. **Study books are \$11.00**. Please contact Sara Porter saraporter@comcast.net or 703-819-5044 by **August 15th** to order a book.
- * **TECH TEAM: FUPCDC is expanding our Tech Team.** We are now fully open for both worship services. We have installed audio-visual equipment. Please contact Peter Glycer (peterglyer@gmail.com) if you are interested in becoming part of this team! We will provide all the training necessary.
- * **SPREAD THE WARMTH:** Are you looking for a worthwhile project? Do you knit or crochet? If so, we have the perfect project for you. Our group makes hats and scarves for our friends in the community who are in need of something warm to wear during the winter. We also make hats for those suffering from cancer. If you would like to help or to find out more information about our group, please contact Elizabeth Glycer at lizglyer@gmail.com.

- * **SPREAD THE BREAD:** Spread the Bread is our ministry for people experiencing homelessness. We currently provide a meal each Sunday at 12:20 PM for around 50 people in Prince William County. Volunteer opportunities include making sandwiches, donating drinks and chips, prayer, and more! If you would like to help in any way, please email Jon Guest, jon.a.guest@gmail.com.
- * **EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN:** We need volunteers to receive one to two emails a week with prayer requests...and pray! If you would like to volunteer to pray, please contact the Church Office, office@fupcdc.org.
- * **LITTLE HANDS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:** Registration is now open for the 2021-2022 school year. For more information, go to www.fupcdc.org/lhps.

Student Ministry News

- * **YOUTH ADVISORS (ADULT VOLUNTEERS):** We are looking for Youth Advisors (Adult Volunteers) to begin in the fall. 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:

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| * Rick Bockes | * Betty Little | * Emmanuel Dankyi-Ankoma | * Jeannine Menzie |
| * Martha Manning | * Marjorie Lawrence | * Lee and Giselle Watenpaugh | * Larry Menzie |
| * Kath Purcell | * Graceann Case | * Grace Ofosu-Addo | * Sandy Godfrey |
| * Mary Jackson | * Gary Albrecht | * Baby Louisa Wostenholme | * Lynn Wilson |
| * Carl Johnson | * Keith Albrecht | * Savannah Simmerman | * Leigh Anderson |
| * Amanda Peck | * Ashleigh and Dan | * Sam Parris' Dad | * Linda Ford |
| * Andrea Tootell | * Sandra D'Imperio | * Bill and Laura Parris | * Nate Johnson |
| * David Behrens | * Mark and Angelica | * Jason, Adriana, Mikhail Corbin | * Karen Gundel |
| * Melissa Behrens | * Tanya | * Hunter and Annette Martin | * Norman Cox |
| * Mia Moy | * Amanda | * Ann and Dineen Hoagland | * Theodore |
- * Congregational love and sympathy are extended to Tim and Judy Camus and family at the death of Tim's brother, John, on Saturday, August 7, 2021. The Camus family are former members of FUPCDC. Please lift Tim and Judy and the family up in prayer.

* Congregational love and sympathy are extended to Sue and Nate Johnson and family at the death of Sue's brother, Elree Stockton, 82 years old of Martinsville, Virginia, on Tuesday, August 10, 2021. He went from the land of the dying to the land of the living. Please lift Sue and Nate and their entire family up in prayer at this time.

✝ With grateful thanks to our church family for your continuing thoughts and prayers, beautiful cards, and the generous food offerings as we grieve the loss of Diane, wife, daughter, sister and mother. - Dennis Dingle and family

All those serving abroad in our military, including from our church:

- ✝ Kelsey Gibson (Affiliate Member of FUPCDC)
- ✝ Elizabeth Batista, Lackland Air Force in Tech School (Ana Batista Caporaletti's daughter)

The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- ✝ Chesterbrook Taiwanese Presbyterian Church - Falls Church, VA
- ✝ Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church - Washington, DC

SESSION

Cathy Albrecht ('23)	703-670-8369
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Chris Martin ('23)	585-455-8423
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Rev. Adam C. Bowling.....Moderator.....	828-448-8914
Sara PorterClerk of Session.....	703-670-8737

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

Jim Stacy	Administration	703-680-5111
Ellen Nuernberger	Congregational Care	703-878-0009
Deborah Folly	Congregational Care	703-606-5532
Charlotte Stultz	Evangelism & Outreach	703-494-8367
Betsy Gilbert	Fellowship	703-670-4949
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Pam Cox	Mission	703-441-6319
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Dennis Dingle	Stewardship & Finance	703-583-9689
Martin Andrews	Worship	703-967-4358
Rev. Adam C. Bowling	Moderator	828-448-8914

Calendar

August 22 - 29, 2021

SUNDAY, August 22

Blessing of the Backpacks

8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
 1:00 PM Peace Church

MONDAY, August 23

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

TUESDAY, August 24

8:30 AM TOPS
 1:30 PM Staff Meeting
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964
 7:30 PM AA 101

WEDNESDAY, August 25

10:30 AM Holy Fitness
 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
 7:00 PM Peace Church Prayer Meeting
 8:00 PM FUPCDC Praise Team

THURSDAY, August 26

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

FRIDAY, August 27

10:30 AM Holy Fitness

SATURDAY, August 28

11:00 AM Boy Scout Court of Honor

SUNDAY, August 29

8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
 1:00 PM Peace Church
 3:00 PM Labyrinth Walk at Trinity Episcopal Church in Fredericksburg, VA

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Report on Offering: July 2021

	JUL 2021 Actual	JUL 2021 Budget	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget
Offering Pledged	28,134	34,000	233,221	238,300
Offering Unpledged	4,299	3,900	35,755	27,800
Total Offering	32,433	37,900	268,976	266,100

Attendance and Prayer Requests

Since we have temporarily suspended passing the friendship register, we request that those who attend worship in person sign in at one of the new attendance stations. If you are worshipping from home, or don't feel comfortable signing in at a station, you can register your attendance and prayer requests using the online form, which is located on our website at fupcdc.org/attend or by scanning this QR Code with your mobile device.



Please consider donating classroom supplies to benefit the children of Little Hands. Donations can be made from **August 15th through August 22nd** and put into the baskets underneath the Tree of Hope in the Narthex/Welcome Center. Donation lists are on a table in the Narthex/Welcome Center and additional items are found online through the Sign-up link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4FA9AD2AABF94-tree>.

The following are a list of suggested donation items for the upcoming school year.

Foaming Hand Soap Unscented Baby Wipes White Childcraft Construction Paper "9x12"

Elmer's Glue Sticks (12 oz) Coffee Cups with Lids Paper Towels (12 pack - Select-a-size)

Facial Tissue Freezer Bags (2 packs Gallon Size) XL Gloves (Powder Free & Latex Free)

Gift Cards (MasterCard or Visa) in any amount Oxivir TB "6x7" Wipes (4 pack found on Amazon)

Diversey - 4277285CT Oxivir Tb - Disinfectant Cleaner with AHP (12 Pack found on Amazon)

Thank you so much in advance!

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, Woodbridge, VA

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 DirectorIke Evans
 Student Music Intern.....Sterling Tilley, III
 Nursery Supervisor.....Joann Paige
 Little Hands Preschool Director.....Tiffany Ramsey
 Sexton.....Homer Detrich
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