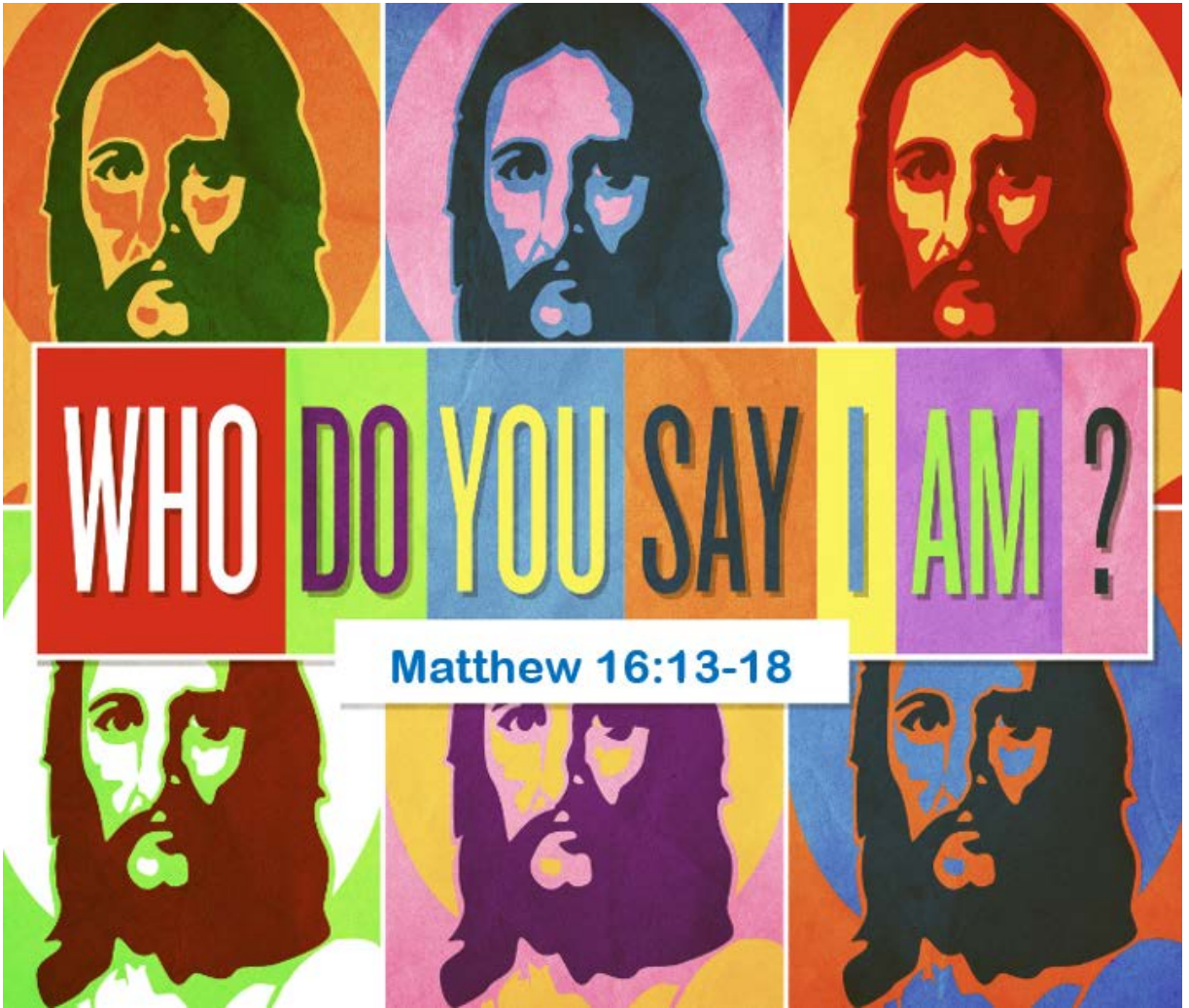


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21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 23, 2020  
10:00 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor  
[Adam.Bowling@fupcdc.org](mailto:Adam.Bowling@fupcdc.org)  
828.448.8914

## WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

### + GATHERING SONG

#### *Jesus Messiah*

Chris Tomlin, Daniel Carson, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves (CCLI#:5183443)

#### Verse 1

He became sin who knew no sin  
That we might become His righteousness  
He humbled Himself and carried the cross  
Love so amazing love so amazing

#### Chorus

Jesus Messiah Name above all names  
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel  
The Rescue for sinners  
The Ransom from heaven  
Jesus Messiah Lord of all

#### Verse 2

His body the bread His blood the wine  
Broken and poured out all for love  
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn  
Love so amazing love so amazing

#### Bridge

All our hope is in You  
All our hope is in You  
All the glory to You God  
The Light of the world

#### Ending

Jesus Messiah  
Lord of all  
The Lord of all  
The Lord of all

## WELCOME

- ✝ Session Notes
- ✝ Introduction of New Friend of the Church  
-Katelyn Page

Norman Cobb

### + *CALL TO WORSHIP* (Psalm 124)

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.

**We belong to God.**

When we feel overwhelmed,

**God is on our side.**

When we are afraid,

**God will keep us safe.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.

**Blessed be the Lord!**

### + *OPENING HYMN*

*Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

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1 Called as partners in Christ's service,  
called to ministries of grace,  
we respond with deep commitment  
fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
May we learn the art of sharing,  
side by side and friend with friend,  
equal partners in our caring  
to fulfill God's chosen end.

2 Christ's example, Christ's inspiring,  
Christ's clear call to work and worth,  
let us follow, never faltering,  
reconciling folk on earth.  
Men and women, richer, poorer,  
all God's people, young and old,  
blending human skills together  
gracious gifts from God unfold.

3 Thus new patterns for Christ's mission,  
in a small or global sense,  
help us bear each other's burdens,  
breaking down each wall or fence.  
Words of comfort, words of vision,  
words of challenge, said with care,  
bring new power and strength for action,  
make us colleagues, free and fair.

4 So God grant us for tomorrow  
ways to order human life  
that surround each person's sorrow  
with a calm that conquers strife.  
Make us partners in our living,  
our compassion to increase,  
messengers of faith, thus giving  
hope and confidence and peace.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY*** *(Romans 12)*

Tori Guest

Loving God, call us together as your people; transform us with your love. Transform our hearts, that we may love generously. Transform our eyes, that we may see your grace. Transform our hands, that we may serve others. Transform our spirits, that we may be the body of Christ, gathered to worship and sent out to serve. In Jesus' name we pray.  
Amen.

***CALL TO CONFESSION***

Tori Guest

We cannot flee from God, the psalmist reminds us. If we ascend to the greatest height, or if we dive to the deepest low, still God is with us, surrounding us with love and mercy. We are safe, then, to make our confession in the midst of God's grace. Let us pray together, saying. . .

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION***

Tori Guest

We confess our struggle to be transformed into disciples, God of mystery.  
The desires of the world would shape us into people you would not recognize.  
The demands of our society pull us away from your heart. Our culture values the rich, the powerful, the successful, but you are on the side of the weak, the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Forgive us, Merciful God, for looking for you in all the wrong places. Reawaken us with your voice that calls us to service; revive our weary hearts with your vision of creation; refresh our fatigued spirits that we might boldly proclaim Jesus as our Lord and Savior,

and go forth to serve your people, in Christ's name. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

*(Silence is kept)*

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. 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.

## **WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

### **TIME FOR CHILDREN**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Bill Ediage

### **GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 16:13-20 NRSV

Bill Ediage

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup> And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup> He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup> And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup> And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church,

and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup> I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." <sup>20</sup> Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Who You Say I Am* Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan (CCLI#:7102401)  
Becca Anderson, Soloist

**MESSAGE**

Asking the Right Question

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 email Pastor Adam, [Adam.Bowling@fupcdc.org](mailto:Adam.Bowling@fupcdc.org).*

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

+ **HYMN OF RESPONSE** *Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples* 757

1 Today we all are called to be  
disciples of the Lord,  
to help to set the captive free,  
make plowshare out of sword,  
to feed the hungry, quench their thirst,  
make love and peace our fast,  
to serve the poor and homeless first,  
our ease and comfort last.

2 God made the world and at its birth  
ordained our human race  
to live as stewards of the earth,  
responding to God's grace.  
But we are vain and sadly proud;  
we sow not peace but strife.  
Our discord spreads a deadly cloud  
that threatens all of life.

3 Pray justice may come rolling down  
as in a mighty stream,  
with righteousness in field and town  
to cleanse us and redeem.  
For God is longing to restore  
an earth where conflicts cease,  
a world that was created for  
a harmony of peace.

4 May we in service to our God  
act out the living word,  
and walk the road the saints have trod  
till all have seen and heard.  
As stewards of the earth may we  
give thanks in one accord  
to God who calls us all to be  
disciples of the Lord.

### ***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

*Yahweh Kola*

Joseph Monthe

Morelle Fokwa, Soloist

*A song in Fefe, a Bamileke dialect from Cameroon.*

Translation:

Yahweh, Yahweh, our Father, our God,  
Take our offering.  
Take our suffering, take it.  
You are the God of love,  
please take it.  
Take our offering, take it.  
In the name of Jesus,  
God take it.

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** (*Romans 12*)

Mady LeVasseur

Generous God, you have given us many gifts and drawn us together into Christ's body, the church. You have blessed us with generous and cheerful spirits. May the gifts of our money, time, and talents support the ministry of your church. In Jesus' name we pray.  
Amen.

## WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

+ **CLOSING SONG**

*My Redeemer Lives*

Reuben Morgan (CCLI#: 2397964)

Verse

I know He rescued my soul  
His blood has covered my sin  
I believe I believe  
My shame He's taken away  
My pain is healed in His name  
I believe I believe

Pre-Chorus

I'll raise a banner  
'Cause my Lord has conquered the grave

Chorus

My Redeemer lives  
My Redeemer lives  
My Redeemer lives  
My Redeemer lives

Bridge

You lift my burdens  
I'll rise with You  
I'm dancing on this mountaintop  
To see Your kingdom come



+ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

+ **POSTLUDE**

*Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated*

Henri A. Cesar Malan, Arr. Cindy Berry

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 the FUPCDC website, we are delighted you joined us in worship online. Please fill out the online attendance and please let us know if you have any prayer concerns or needs. To find out more about this church, please email the Church Office at [office@fupcdc.org](mailto:office@fupcdc.org) or call at 703-670-7834.
- \* **FLOWERS** are given by Peter and Liz Glycer in honor of their grandchildren.

## *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>.
- \* **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

- ✝ **BIBLE BUDDIES:** Are you feeling anxious? [Calm My Anxious Heart](#) by Linda Dillow is the 12-week Bible study, beginning Monday, September 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM via Zoom for any Ladies or friends of FUPCDC. This study will help discover what the Bible says about contentment and ways to apply to your daily life. This book may be purchased online from christianbook.com, Amazon or e-bay.
- Please contact Betty Matthews, [bettysmatthews1@verizon.net](mailto:bettysmatthews1@verizon.net), or 703-618-9127 for more information and to be added the Zoom group.
- ✝ **PASTOR'S WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY:** The study will begin on September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM via Zoom. We will resume our study of the Gospel of Mathew. All are welcome.
- ✝ **SEPTEMBER WORSHIP:**
- Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup> - online only Live Stream with Communion at 10 AM  
- Premiere of the FUPCDC Virtual Choir "Let us Break Bread Together"
  - Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> - online Live Stream at 10 AM AND Drive-In worship at 10 AM
  - Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> - online Live Stream at 10 AM AND Drive-In worship at 10 AM
  - Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> - online only Live Stream at 10 AM
- \* **HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY:** "Into the Light: Finding Hope through Prayers of Lament" is the title of the 2020 - 2021 women's Bible study. We will meet via Zoom on the second Monday of the month, starting Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM. This is a timely study with emphasis on the hope we can find in the scriptures even as we lament our circumstances.
- Contact Sara Porter, [saraporter@comcst.net](mailto:saraporter@comcst.net), or 703-670-8737 for more information. Please order a study book (\$11.00) by August 20, 2020.
- \* **FUPCDC CONTEMPLATIVE YOGA CLASS VIA ZOOM:** Join us for a time to prayerfully release your cares and recharge physically, spiritually, and emotionally. The Contemplative Yoga group has a spot just for you on Saturdays from 8:30-9:10 AM on Zoom: 8/29, 9/5, 9/12. Classes are always free, just click this link to sign up:  
[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE SIGNUP.](#)
- \* **SPREAD THE WARMTH:** Are you looking for a worthwhile project to do while staying at home? 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](mailto:lizglyer@gmail.com).
- \* **MEN'S GROUP:** In lieu of our monthly Men's Breakfast, we now have several small groups of men that meet weekly for 30 minutes for devotion and prayer time. This is 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](mailto:samjparris@aol.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](mailto:jon.a.guest@gmail.com).
- \* **SPREAD THE LOVE:** We need volunteers to write cards/notes to those in quarantine or to folks who are experiencing isolation due to COVID-19. Other volunteer opportunities include making phone calls to check in with people who may need socialization. If you would like to volunteer for Spread the Love or suggest people to receive cards or calls, please email Sam Parris, [samjparris@aol.com](mailto:samjparris@aol.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](mailto:office@fupcdc.org).
- \* **SEWING FACE MASKS:** In keeping with FUPCDC's commitment to serve the needs of the community, the Mission and Outreach Committee is launching a campaign to make face masks and distribute them where they are needed within the local community. We are committed to donate masks to the Greater Prince William Community Health Center and to Westminster at Lake Ridge for both staff and residents. If you have any questions about the Face Mask Ministry please call Pat Manalio (703-283-2948) or Lora Nedimyer (703-680-5526).
- \* **GIVING:** We thank you for your continued support of the ministries, staff, and programs of FUPCDC. There are 2 ways to give: You can mail your gift to FUPCDC, 14391 Minnieville Road, Woodbridge, VA 22193. You can also give online by going to the church website, <https://fupcdc.org/give-online>. Thank you for giving to the Lord.

## *Student Ministry News*

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

### Report on Offering: July 2020

	JUL 2020 Actual	JUL 2020 Budget	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget
Offering Pledged	36,570	30,022	244,078	225,256
Offering Unpledged	6,614	3,055	30,249	23,674
<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>43,184</b>	<b>33,077</b>	<b>274,327</b>	<b>248,930</b>

# *Joys and Concerns*

## All those who are ill or facing difficulties, including:

- |                  |                     |                            |                  |
|------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| ✝ Sandy Godfrey  | * Wade Talbot       | * Becky Elliott            | * Larry Menzie   |
| ✝ Sue Lickiss    | * Jim Randles       | * Makayla Brain            | * Linda Ford     |
| ✝ Baby Melody    | * Jerolyn Randles   | * Grace Ofosu-Addo         | * Lynn Wilson    |
| ✝ Don Brodie     | * Mildred Shenk     | * Mark Levy                | * Leigh Anderson |
| ✝ Sharon Dunlap  | * Barb McGill       | * Marjorie Lawrence        | * Norman Cox     |
| * Karen Bertocci | * Ida Van Wingerden | * Baby Louisa Wolstenholme | * Sandy          |

- ✝ Please pray for the homeless, the unemployed, and all those suffering from the effect of COVID-19.
- ✝ Prayers for the Onis Family (Craig Layton's neighbors), at the death of their father on August 11<sup>th</sup>.
- ✝ Please pray for the family of Shannon Richardson, who passed away on Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, leaving her husband and four daughters. - Betsy and Bruce Gilbert
- ✝ Please pray for friends, Matt and Sue Brus, whose mother passed away, Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>.  
- Denise Perry

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

- ✝ Ross Hammonds

## The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

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

# *Calendar*

## *August 23 -30, 2020*

### **SUNDAY, August 23**

10:00 AM    Worship - one service - Online Live Stream

### **MONDAY, August 24**

10:30 AM    Holy Fitness via Zoom

7:00 PM     Bible Buddies via Zoom

8:30 PM     Production Meeting via Google Meet

### **TUESDAY, August 25**

### **WEDNESDAY, August 26**

10:30 AM    Holy Fitness via Zoom

### **THURSDAY, August 27**

### **FRIDAY, August 28**

10:30 AM    Holy Fitness via Zoom

### **SATURDAY, August 29**

8:30 AM     Contemplative Yoga via Zoom

### **SUNDAY, August 30**

10:00 AM    Worship - one service - Online Live Stream

## DEACONS: THE MINISTRY OF COMPASSION AND SERVICE

The ministry of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of compassion, witness, and service, sharing in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ for the poor, the hungry, the sick, the lost, the friendless, the oppressed, those burdened by unjust policies or structures, or anyone in distress. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgment should be chosen for this ministry.<sup>1</sup>

### 2020 BOARD OF DEACONS

#### Class of 2021

Agnes Fokwa  
Deborah Folly  
Lisa Fortner  
Kathy McNeely  
Carol Schwalm  
Celine Sonkwa

#### Class of 2022

Amy Bean  
Karen Elliott  
Liz Goolgasian  
Peggy Heins  
Therese Same  
Charlotte Stultz

#### Class of 2023

Bob Albrecht  
Sandy Chamberlin  
Claudia Cunningham  
Pam Emert  
Ellen Nuernberger  
Tracy Stevens

Ellen Nuernberger, *Co-Moderator*..... 703-878-0009

Carol Schwalm, *Co-Moderator*.....703-680-7673

## RULING ELDERS: THE MINISTRY OF DISCERNMENT AND GOVERNANCE

As there were in Old Testament times elders for the government of the people, so the New Testament church provided persons with particular gifts to share in discernment of God's Spirit and governance of God's people. Accordingly, congregations should elect persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit. Ruling elders are so named not because they "lord it over" the congregation (Matt. 20:25), but because they are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life. Ruling elders, together with teaching elders, exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of a congregation as well as the whole church, including ecumenical relationships. When elected by the congregation, they shall serve faithfully as members of the session. When elected as commissioners to higher councils, ruling elders participate and vote with the same authority as teaching elders, and they are eligible for any office.<sup>2</sup>

See current ruling elders of FUPCDC on page 15 of bulletin.

<sup>1</sup> *The Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA), Part II, Book of Order: 2013/2015*, 2013. Published by The Office of the General Assembly, 100 Witherspoon Street, Louisville, KY 40202, p. 26.

<sup>2</sup> *ibid.*, p. 60.

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Ministers.....	People of the Church
Pastor.....	Rev. Adam C. Bowling
Chancel Choir Director .....	Dana Van Slyke
Pianist/Organist .....	Justin Stretetz
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

### 2020 SESSION

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Ruth Washburg ('22) .....	<i>Children's Ministry</i> .....	703-407-3976
Cathy Albrecht ('23) .....	<i>Communications</i> .....	703-670-8369
Betsy Gilbert ('23) .....	<i>Congregational Connections</i> .....	703-670-4949
Jon Guest ('22) .....	<i>Finance &amp; Administration</i> .....	703-491-4006
Chris Martin ('23) .....	<i>Information Technology</i> .....	585-455-8423
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Linda Wolstenholme ('23) .....	<i>Nominating</i> .....	703-878-3697
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Marti Hall ('22) .....	<i>Worship</i> .....	703-626-2269
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Rev. Adam C. Bowling .....	<i>Moderator</i> .....	828-448-8914
Sara Porter .....	<i>Clerk of Session</i> .....	703-670-8737

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