

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

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15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 5, 2021
11:00 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor
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828.448.8914

GATHERING

+ **GATHERING SONG** *I Will Call Upon the Lord* 621

WELCOME

+ **GATHERING WORDS**

Lord, open our hearts this morning to hear your words of compassion.

Lord, help us to truly listen to you.

Lord, open our spirits this morning to strengthen our faith.

Lord, help us to work for you.

Lord, make us ready to serve.

Lord, make us ready to witness your healing love.

+ **OPENING SONG** *I Can Only Imagine* Bart Millard (CCLI#: 2978857)

PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Gracious God, we come before you today knowing that we often fall short of your call to love one another well. We allow ourselves to be blinded by wealth and power. We ignore those around us who suffer injustice, poverty, and rejection. We tune out the cries of the poor and those on the edges of our communities. Help us to see your great generosity, hear your word of mercy, and feel your great love for all who need your redemptive grace. Strengthen us to reach out in service to those who are in need. Make us aware of those outside our own communities, that we may see them as your precious children and serve them in humility and joy. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for you and for all. Whatever you have done, whatever you have failed to do, whoever you are, whoever you wish you were but are not: You are accepted, you are welcomed. You are washed clean, you are raised up. You are forgiven, you are set free.

Hearing this good news, know that we are forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God.

*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.

PROCLAIMING

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, who is constantly working for our good, prepare us to receive your truth. Open our minds to hear your word, soften our hearts to accept your will, and strengthen our hands to do your work for the glory of Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON James 2:1-17 NRSV

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?

⁵Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

⁸You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. ¹¹For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit

adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹² So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. ¹³ For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶ and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷ So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

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

MESSAGE

Body and Soul

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 worshiping online, please email Pastor Adam at adam.bowling@fupcdc.org. Know that ALL are welcome in this place!

RESPONDING

+ SONG OF RESPONSE

Mighty to Save

Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan (CCLI#: 4591782)

SERVICE OF GIVING

Music at the Offering *Precious Lord, Take My Hand/Just a Closer Walk with Thee*
Arr. Nicol Sponberg, Todd Smith, Allan Hall
Justin Streletz, Pianist
Martin Andrews and Cathy Albrecht, Singers

+ PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*Proverbs 22:1-2*)

All that we do is in your holy name, O God. Even as we share the riches of our labors, may we continue to honor your name in all that we do. Bless these gifts given freely, that your justice and mercy may prevail in a weak and weary world.

Amen.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Instructions: If you haven't already picked up an individual prefilled gluten-free communion cup as you entered the sanctuary, you are invited to come forward by way of the center aisle when an usher indicates to receive your individual prefilled gluten-free communion cup. Please take the elements back to your seat.

***Please hold the elements until all are served.** When directed by the Pastor, open the bread portion of the cup and partake. Then, when directed, carefully open the juice portion of the cup and partake. Please assist children and other members of your family who may have trouble opening the prefilled communion cups. Please hold onto your trash until you exit the sanctuary and dispose of your used cups in the provided waste receptacles.*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise. . .

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(All Sing)*

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Our Father, which art in heaven: Hallowed-a be thy name

Thy kingdom come; thy will be done: Hallowed-a be thy name

On earth as it is in heaven: Hallowed-a be thy name

Give us this day, our daily bread: Hallowed-a be thy name

And forgive us all our sins: Hallowed-a be thy name

As we forgive those who sin: Hallowed-a-be thy name

And lead us not into temptation: Hallowed-a be thy name

But deliver us from evil: Hallowed-a be thy name

For thine is the kingdom, the power and glory: Hallowed-a be thy name

Forever and ever, amen: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Music during Communion

The Table

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Wayne Jolley (CCLI# 7028956)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared the living bread and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So, Lord, may we live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.

SENDING

- + **SENDING SONG** *You Never Let Go* Beth Redman, Matt Redman (CCLI# 4674166)
- + **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**
- + **RESPONSE** *You Never Let Go (Reprise)* Beth Redman, Matt Redman (CCLI# 4674166)
- + *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. 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 or call 703-670-7834.
- * **BELL RINGER:** Ike Evans (8:30)
- * **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:** Betsy Gilbert (8:30)
Erin Bowling (11:00)

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

- ✚ **DISCOVER FIRST UNITED LUNCH (Sunday, Sept. 26th, 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. Child care and lunch will be provided for your entire family. Please let us know if there are any food allergies or restrictions when you register for the event. Reservations are required to plan for childcare and food. Register by calling the Church Office at 703-670-7834.
- ✚ **INVITE A FRIEND - EVANGELISM BAGS!:** Did you know, 71% of the unchurched say they are likely to accept a personal invitation from a family member, friend, or neighbor to attend church? We encourage all members and friends of FUPCDC to stop by the Narthex Welcome Center to pick up an "Invite a Friend Evangelism Bag" this Sunday! Inside you will find two FUPCDC church brochures, two Little Hands Preschool brochures, a couple of "Join Us" invite cards, and a couple of magnets. These are great tools to use when inviting someone to a church or preschool event. Pastor Adam suggests keeping these in your car, so they will be handy when you run into a neighbor or friend that you want to invite.
- * **LADIES BIBLE STUDY:** Monday night Bible Buddies will begin their new book study on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 7:00 PM. We will use the book City of Peace by Henry G. Brinton, a Presbyterian pastor from Fairfax, VA. The setting for this book is Occoquan, VA. It is a unique murder mystery that follows a minister and his inner struggle to overcome grief and anger to gain insight and build bridges for co-existence with his neighbors, including Muslims and Coptic Christians. He looks to the ancient city of Sepphoris to find the secret to

overcome polarizing divisions among people of different cultures and faiths. This study will be available by Zoom and in-person at FUPCDC, Room 22. For more information about this Bible study, please contact Betty Matthews through the church office, 703-670-7834.

- * **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.
- * **LITTLE HANDS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:** Registration is now open for the 2021-2022 school year. For more information, go to www.fupcdc.org/lhps.
- * **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 at saraporter@comcast.net or 703-819-5044.

- * **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 at 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.
- * **DISASTER RELIEF:** Many of our brothers and sisters have experienced devastating losses caused by disasters. 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.
- * **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.

Student Ministry News

- ✝ **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19— CONFIRMATION MEETING FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS (7th, 8th, and 9th grade) 9:45 AM:** Do you know a 7th, 8th, or 9th grader, or an older student, that hasn't been through First United Presbyterian Church's Confirmation program? This year, we will have a student and parent meeting Sunday, September 19 at 9:45 AM in room 22. Please call the church office (703-670-7834), and sign your student up to receive an information packet. Please leave the students name, grade, parents name, mailing address, and phone number. All 7th, 8th, or 9th grade students are encouraged to sign-up online for the class. Please contact Pastor Adam with questions.
- * **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](https://text.youthfupc.com) to 81010.

Joys and Concerns

All those who are ill or facing difficulties, including:

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| ✝ Sonya Dunn | * Betty Little | * Emmanuel Dankyi-Ankoma | * Jeannine Menzie |
| ✝ David Gibbs | * 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 | * Martha Manning | * Ann and Dineen Hoagland | * Rick Bockes |
| * Theodore | * Brian Judy | * Sharon Patrick Dryden | |

- * Thanks be to God for each of you, your thoughts, prayers, well wishes, and cards of condolences extended to our family during the illness and death of our beloved brother, Elree Stockton. "Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted". (Matt.5:4) Your kindness and compassion comforted our hearts. Grateful are the receivers. - Sue and Nate Johnson 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:

- ✝ Christian Community Presbyterian Church - Bowie, MD
- ✝ Church of the Covenant - Arlington, VA

SESSION

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Rev. Adam C. Bowling.....*Moderator*..... 828-448-8914
Sara Porter*Clerk of Session*..... 703-670-8737

Calendar

September 5 - 12, 2021

SUNDAY, September 5

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

MONDAY, September 6

Labor Day - Church Office Closed

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

TUESDAY, September 7

8:30 AM TOPS
 9:30 AM Woodbridge Christian Women's
 Connection
 1:00 PM Al-Anon
 1:30 PM Staff Meeting
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964
 7:00 PM Growing in Faith Ministry Team
 7:30 PM AA 101

WEDNESDAY, September 8

9:15 AM Little Hands Preschool Parent Coffee
 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
 7:00 PM Peace Church Prayer Meeting
 8:00 PM FUPCDC Praise Team

THURSDAY, September 9

9:15 AM Little Hands Preschool Parent Coffee
 3:00 PM Prayer and Praise Small Group
 7:00 PM Mission Ministry Team
 7:00 PM Stewardship & Finance Ministry Team
 7:00 PM Little Hands Preschool Board Meeting
 8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, September 10

10:30 AM Holy Fitness

SATURDAY, September 11

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast
 9:00 AM Eagle Scout Group Project 964

SUNDAY, September 12

Music Sunday/Annual Church Picnic

10:00 AM Worship - one service
 Church picnic following the one worship service
 1:00 PM Peace Church
 1:15 PM Property Ministry Team

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

Pat Manalio (Interim).....*Administration*..... 703-283-2948
 Ellen Nuernberger*Congregational Care* 703-878-0009
 Deborah Folly*Congregational Care* 703-606-5532
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 Curt Hoagland.....*Growing in Faith*..... 703-878-4664
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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 DirectorIke Evans
Nursery Supervisor..... Joann Paige
Little Hands Preschool Director..... Tiffany Ramsey
Sexton..... Homer Detrich
Office Manager..... Kim Parker

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.



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

Little Hands Preschool, 703-878-2366