

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

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What are you looking for?

~ John 1:38

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 15, 2023

8:30 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

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828.448.8914

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

WELCOME

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

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

Andante Religioso
Neil Alexander, Organist

Frances Thomé

+ CALL TO WORSHIP *(based on John 1:29-42)*

Come and see what God has done.

Here is the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world.
Come and see what God has done.

We have found the Messiah,
the anointed one of God.

+ OPENING HYMN

God Is Here!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy One, you sent the Lord Jesus Christ to save the world from sin. Teach us to follow him faithfully, proclaiming the good news, that all may come to know and love the Lamb of God, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Our hearts long for God, and we know we fall short of God’s glory, so let us now confess to God the ways we have individually and collectively fallen short of God’s Grace, by praying together. . .

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You sent John the Baptist to point to your Son. But too often, we abandon his message and point only to ourselves. We point to our worship preferences rather than the God we worship. We point to our status rather than the grace that makes us all equal. We point to our values rather than the One who has always valued everyone. We point to our traditions rather than to the One who calls us to let go. We point to our past rather than to the One who calls us into the future. Forgive us, Lord, for pointing in all the wrong directions. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(Psalm 103:8-12)*

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.

(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

Startle us, O God, with your truth and open our hearts and our minds to your wondrous love. Speak your word to us; silence in us any voice but your own and be with us now as we turn our attention, our minds and our hearts, to you, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:29-42 NRSV

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"³⁰ This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'³¹ I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel."³² And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him."³³ I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.'³⁴ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One."

³⁵ The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,³⁶ and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!"³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.³⁸ When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?"³⁹ He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother.⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed).⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Lion and The Lamb

Brenton Brown, Brian Johnson, Leeland Dayton Mooring (CCLI# 7038281)
Martin Andrews, Soloist

SERMON

What Are You Looking For?

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 right outside 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** *Jesus Calls Us* 720

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 *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* Arr. Benton Price
Neil Alexander, Organist

+ **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** *(Psalm 16, Hebrews 10)*

Lord of life and love, we offer these gifts to you. Bless them and use them, that others might be encouraged in the faith. Gracious God, use our lives as well. Help us share your story and pour out your love on everyone we meet. In the name of Christ, we pray.
Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

+ **HYMN** *I Love to Tell the Story* 462

+ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

+ **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *Lead Me, Guide Me* 740

+ *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 right outside 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.
- * **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:**

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| Dennis Dingle | (8:30) |
| Pam Cox | (11:00) |
- * **FLOWERS** are given by Peter and Elizabeth Glycer in honor of our six wonderful 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>.
- * **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

- ✚ **CONNECT THROUGH A SMALL GROUP** - FUPCDC now has 11 Small Groups (7 Men's groups and 4 Women's groups) that meet weekly (via phone) for a short devotion and prayer. If you would like to participate in small group or hear more about the program, please contact Sam Parris at SamJParris@aol.com or 703-946-7226.
- ✚ **KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY** - Kairos Prison ministry is starting back up. It has made a major impact in the lives of 1000's of inmates and this congregation. FUPCDC has been involved with this ministry for more than 15 years in a variety of means in men and women's prisons in the state of Virginia. At least six inmates have given their testimonies here at FUPCDC as to the impact of this program on their lives. They are forever grateful to this congregation and the KAIROS ministry. They have given their lives to Christ have transitioned back into society and have been blessed with jobs. **How can you HELP?** There are several ways in which you can be a part of this ministry.
1. Join the Inside Team for Sussex 1 State Prison. We will participate inside the prison on the weekend of March 30th - April 2nd, 2023 (Thursday-Sunday), staying at a nearby hotel in the evenings. There will be four Saturday training sessions here at FUPCDC on February 18th, and March 4th, 18th, and 25th to prepare you for the weekend. Sam Parris will be leading the weekend inside Sussex 1 and the training sessions leading up to the weekend.
 2. Join the Outside Team assisting with meals, prayers and supporting the Inside Team. Cathy Albrecht and Denise Parris will be co-leading the Outside Team.
 3. Sign up to pray for the team and inmates (look for signups in the future).
 4. Sign up to bake homemade cookies that will be brought into the prison and distributed to the inmates and prison staff (look for signups in the future).
 5. Sign up to make placemats (drawings and scripture) This is a great project for our Children and Youth too (contact Sam Parris).
 6. Make a financial donation.
- Orientation:** If you would like to hear more about this ministry and/or ask questions (with no obligation), **please sign up** for a short 20-minute presentation in Room 22 (next to the Kitchen) on **Sunday, January 22nd** following the 11:00 AM Service. Feel free to bring a bag lunch. Sam Parris will be in the NARTHEX today to sign up for the orientation or to answer any questions or contact him at SamJParris@aol.com or 703-946-7226.
- ✚ **ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Join us on Sundays at **9:45 AM** for the Bible study, "The Lord's Prayer" by Adam Hamilton. Contact Curt Hoagland, choagieva@yahoo.com for questions.
- ✚ **252 KIDS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:** We meet at **9:45 AM** on Sundays in Rooms 1 and 2. Contact Erin Bowling at erinkbowling@gmail.com for more information.
- ✚ **BIBLE BUDDIES:** Come join us for a new Bible study, beginning **Monday, January 16th at 7:00 PM**, *What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus*. Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, and Mary—Matthew names these women for a reason. How might Jesus have heard the stories of his grandmothers? What might the young Jesus have felt, as he heard about his family? What might the stories of these women have added to his

sense of identity, as part of a particular family in a particular time and place? And what can Jesus' grandmothers-of-the-faith teach us? By exploring these stories together, we will have a richer idea of what the good news is. **We will meet on Mondays in Room 22 at 7:00 PM beginning January 16th.** Please contact Betty Matthews, bettysmatthews1@verizon.net for more information.

- ✝ **WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE:** Our church will be collecting winter clothing for students at Dale City Elementary School as part of our partnership with their school. State law requires students to participate in outdoor activities when the outside temperature is above 32 degrees. For students without appropriate clothing, this can be very cold. We would like to collect warm tops, warm bottoms, hats, gloves, and warm socks for the children. The school will be providing us with specific requests for sizes. These requests will be available in the Narthex on Sunday. The congregation was so very generous with the food supplies for the school. We hope we can be equally generous in assisting the students in need of warm clothing. **The winter clothing drive ends on Sunday, January 22nd.**
- ✝ **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING:** Souper Bowl of Caring is around the corner! Stay tuned for more information about this exciting event.
- * **FLOWER SIGN UP FOR 2023: New dates have been added to the Flower Sign Up Genius for 2023. It filled up quickly last year!** To sign up, you may click on the link on the FUPCDC Thursday News or if you have signed up in the past, an email may be sent to you. When signing up, please indicate who the flowers are in honor or memory of in the comment section. In addition, after the service the flowers are used by the deacons for the Flower Ministry and are given to a congregational member who is in need of feeling some love from the congregation. If you wish to keep the flowers instead, just indicate this in the comment section or email me. The cost for purchasing flowers continues to be **\$40.00**. You may pay for them by sending a check into the office made out to FUPCDC. Please write flowers and the Sunday you signed up for in the memo section. You may also pay online on the church website. If you have any trouble signing up, please email me at gailzcobb@gmail.com and I will be happy to help you!

Student Ministry News

- ✝ **YOUTH MISSION TRIP MEETING/LUNCH:** There will be a Youth Mission Trip meeting and lunch, 12:10 PM to 1:30 PM in Room 22, TODAY, Sunday, January 15th.
- ✝ **YOUTH BREAD SUNDAY:** Sunday, January 22nd, 5:00 PM
- * **YOUTH CALENDARS:** Youth calendars are now available online and in the Welcome Center.
- * **STUDENT MINISTRY EMAILS:** Sign up to receive Student Ministry emails. Ask Pastor Adam how to do this, or go to the FUPCDC website.
- * **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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| ✝ Liz Glycer | * Bill and Laura Parris | * Cherie Sankey | * Leigh Anderson |
| ✝ Joanne Ackerman | * Amanda Peck | * Mark Stewart | * Linda Ford |
| * Alessandro Trujillo | * Pat Greenhalgh | * Alex Martin | * Norman Cox |
| * Gary and Patti Goodrich | * Debbie Niederriter | * Nancy Lanza | * Nate Johnson |
| * Nancy Hoagland | * Tommy and Deb | * Amanda | * Rick Bockes |
| * George Riling | * Sandra D'Imperio | * Baby Raphael | * Norman Cobb |
| * Kwabena | * Frank Coniglio | * Tanya | * Jeannine Menzie |
| * Charlie Ashton | * Marjorie Lawrence | * Kath Purcell | * Deborah Folly |
| * Nathan Johnson, III | * Doug Godfrey | * Jenny N. | * Ann Randles |
| * Karen Gundel | * R. Rizzo | * Leslie | |
| * Baby Louisa Wolstenholme | | | |
| * Jason, Azena, Mikhail Corbin | | | |

✝ Glory to Almighty God, who has enabled me to pass my board examination as an RN (Registered Nurse). May all glory and honor be ascribed unto His name. In Jesus' Name, Amen. - Nne Kalu

✝ Bob and I would like to thank our church family for the cards, texts and phone calls in the recent loss of Bob's mom, Margaret. Thank you Claudia Cunningham for delivering the beautiful flowers. - Bob and Ellen Nuernberger

* Thanks to all who offered condolences and prayers for the loss of our brother Keith. We felt your support and kindness. We are blessed to have such a compassionate church family. - Bob and Cathy Albrecht

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:

- ✝ Knox Presbyterian Church - Falls Church, VA
- ✝ Korean Presbyterian Church of Rockville - Rockville, MD

SESSION

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| Cathy Albrecht ('23) | 703-670-8369 |
| Amy Bean ('25) | 703-670-3790 |
| Bill Ediage ('24) | 571-477-9306 |
| Morelle Fokwa ('24) | 571-409-9435 |
| Ginger Galaini ('25) | 571-408-1228 |
| Pat Manalio ('23) | 703-283-2948 |
| Chris Martin ('23) | 585-455-8423 |
| Sam Parris ('24) | 703-946-7226 |
| Linda Wolstenholme ('23) | 703-878-3697 |
| Rev. Adam C. Bowling | <i>Moderator</i> 828-448-8914 |
| Sara Porter | <i>Clerk of Session</i> 703-670-8737 |

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

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| Pat Manalio (Interim) | <i>Administration</i> | 703-283-2948 |
| Mike Slayter | <i>Congregational Care</i> | 703-670-4648 |
| Charlotte Stultz | <i>Evangelism & Outreach</i> | 703-494-8367 |
| Betsy Gilbert | <i>Fellowship</i> | 703-670-4949 |
| Curt Hoagland | <i>Growing in Faith</i> | 703-380-3819 |
| Pam Cox | <i>Mission</i> | 703-441-6319 |
| Mike Gundel | <i>Property</i> | 301-767-5030 |
| Dennis Dingle | <i>Stewardship & Finance</i> | 703-583-9689 |
| Martin Andrews | <i>Worship</i> | 703-967-4358 |
| Rev. Adam C. Bowling | <i>Moderator</i> | 828-448-8914 |

DEACONS

| Class of 2023 | Class of 2024 | Class of 2025 |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Bob Albrecht | Agnes Fokwa | Debbie Cornelius |
| Sandy Chamberlin | Helen Franchois | Claire Hoagland |
| Claudia Cunningham | Nne Kalu | Mary Jones |
| Pam Emert | Kathy McNeely | Mike Slayter |
| Ellen Nuernberger | | |
| Donna Seckar | | |
| Tracy Stevens | | |

Mike Slayter, Ministry Team Leader 703-670-4648

Calendar

January 15 - 22, 2023

SUNDAY, January 15

8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
9:45 AM Bible Study (Adult/Youth)
9:45 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry
11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
12:10 PM Youth - Mission Trip Meeting/Lunch

MONDAY, January 16

Marin L. King, Jr. Day

Church Office Closed

10:30 AM Holy Fitness
6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 - Tiger Den
7:00 PM Bible Buddies
8:30 PM Production Meeting - Google Meet

TUESDAY, January 17

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
7:00 PM Congregational Care Ministry Team
7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 226
7:30 PM AA
7:30 PM Bull Run Troubadours

WEDNESDAY, January 18

10:30 AM Holy Fitness
6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 80115
6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 - Arrow of Light Den
7:00 PM Chancel Choir
8:00 PM FUPCDC Praise Team

THURSDAY, January 19

3:00 PM Prayer & Praise Small Group
6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 - 5th Grade Boys
7:00 PM Earth Care Committee
7:00 PM Ministry Team Leaders Meeting
8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, January 20

10:30 AM Holy Fitness
6:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 Pinewood Derby Setup

SATURDAY, January 21

7:30 AM Cub Scout Pack 289 Pinewood Derby

SUNDAY, January 22

8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
9:45 AM Bible Study (Adult/Youth)
9:45 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry
11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
12:00 PM Kairos Ministry Meeting
2:30 PM Bereaved Parents of USA
5:00 PM Youth - Bread Sunday

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Ministers.....People of the Church
Pastor.....Rev. Adam C. Bowling
Parish Assistant..... Pastor Michael Slayter
Chancel Choir Director..... Dana Van Slyke
Pianist/Organist.....Justin Streletz
Nursery Supervisor..... Joann Paige
Sexton..... Homer Detrich
Office Manager..... Kim Parker

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