

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

14391 Minnieville Road Woodbridge, VA 22193

703.670.7834 fupcdc.org LIKE us on Facebook Find us on Instagram @fupcdc

<https://www.youtube.com/c/FUPCDC>



4th Sunday after Epiphany

January 28, 2024

8:30 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

Adam.Bowling@fupcdc.org

828.448.8914

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

Pastor Michael Slayter

SESSION NOTES

MINISTRY IN ACTION

✠ Mission - Souper Bowl of Learning

Ruth Washburg

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

How Firm a Foundation

EARLY AMERICAN MELODY

Dr. Nadia Carmichael, Pianist

+ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Matthew 4:19, Mark 1:16-20, Luke 5:1-11*)

The invitation is given to every person by Jesus Christ:

"Come to me! Follow me! Be my disciples!"

**We come to this place, to this time,
at the invitation of Jesus Christ.**

In the name of Christ,

we accept the invitation to discipleship.

In the name of Christ,

as his disciples, we worship and praise God.

In the midst of a world where cruelty abounds,

we proclaim the God of Compassion.

In the midst of despair that threatens to swallow up
whole lives, whole peoples,

we proclaim the God of Hope.

In the midst of indifference and apathy,

we proclaim the God of Love.

Come, let us worship together

and share our witness of God's living presence in the world.

+ **OPENING HYMN**

Come, Great God of All the Ages

309

CALL TO CONFESSION

We are the people of God, but Scripture reminds us that we still sin. We need to confess our failures, knowing that the Lord Jesus intercedes for us with the Father, who freely forgives us, through his infinite goodness and mercy. So let us draw near to God with sincerity and confidence, and pray together. . .

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

Have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts . . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(Isaiah 1:18)*

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

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

Rebecca Anderson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Calm us now, O Lord, into a quietness that heals and listens. Open wounded hearts to the balm of your Word. Speak to us in clear tones so that we might feel our spirits leap for joy and skip with hope as your resurrection witnesses.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 54:11-14 NRSV

¹¹O afflicted one, storm-tossed, and not comforted, I am about to set your stones in antimony, and lay your foundations with sapphires. ¹²I will make your pinnacles of rubies, your gates of jewels, and all your wall of precious stones. ¹³All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the prosperity of your children. ¹⁴In righteousness you shall be established; you shall be far from oppression, for you shall not fear; and from terror, for it shall not come near you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Over My Head

Patterson

FUPCDC Chancel Choir

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:14-20 NRSV

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” ¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

OUR MISSION

Here at First United Presbyterian we are

“Following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, we are a compassionate and accepting community responding to the world with action, hope, and love for all of humanity and creation. We impact lives by sharing the good news of God’s transforming love and grace.”

SERMON

We Are the Church: To Be or To Do?

Pastor Michael Slayter

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 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

SERVICE OF GIVING

+ Hymn of Response

We All Are One in Mission

733

+ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Loving Father, thank you for the privilege of partnering with you and each other in the work of the ministry. We know that you will bless our efforts and contributions for the proclamation of the gospel and the building up of your church. Father, be pleased with our tithes and offerings today. Affirm your love, grace, and provision for each giver in our midst. Thank you for their heart for the ministry. Let them continue to give with cheerfulness and full trust that you will never fail them in their time of need.

Amen.

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.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

+ **CLOSING HYMN**

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

761

+ **OUR VISION**

Here at First United Presbyterian we are

Welcoming All, Growing Together, Serving with Joy!

+ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Pastor Michael Slayter

+ **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Go with Us, Lord

748

+ **POSTLUDE**

Rock of Ages
Dr. Nadia Carmichael, Pianist

Arr. Brent Edstrom

+ *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:**

Alessandro Trujillo	(8:30)
Uche Akobundu	(11:00)
- * **FLOWERS** are given by Pam Cox in loving memory of Lisa Chrzan.

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.
- * **THURSDAY NEWS FROM FIRST UNITED:** To read about all the great things that are happening at FUPCDC, you can receive a weekly email. To sign up for the Thursday News, go to <https://fupcdc.org> and click on the church email signups button or email the church office at office@fupcdc.org.
- * **CONNECT CARD/PRAYER CARD:** If you are new to FUPCDC or you need to update your information, please fill out a Connect Card. On the back side is the Prayer Card. It would be our honor to pray for your joys and concerns. Please drop the card in the Prayer Request box in the Welcome Center.

Ministry in Action

- ✝ **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING:** Many in our community are struggling with food insecurities. There is an enormous need to help put food on our brothers' and sisters' tables. As a Matthew 25 church we are called to reach out to those in need. In years past we have done this by participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring. We will collect non-perishable food and other general items for the ACTS Hunger Prevention Center starting TODAY until February 4th in the Church Welcome Center. Donations can be placed in the bin marked "Souper Bowl of Caring". A list of urgently needed items can be found in the Thursday News. Our goal this year is to beat last year's collection of 2,083 pounds. You can also submit your guess for the total pounds of items you think we will collect in the Welcome Center following each service. The winner will receive a sweet treat to enjoy while watching the Souper Bowl!
- ✝ **MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Men, please join us for breakfast and fellowship on **Saturday, February 3rd at 8:00 AM**. Feel free to bring a friend! For additional information, please contact Sam Parris at 703-946-7266 or samjparris@aol.com.
- ✝ **BLESSING OF THE CHURCH:** We invite you to join us at the church at **4:00 PM on Thursday, February 1st** to pray blessings over our church from the sanctuary to all the rooms. For more information, please contact Sara Porter, saraporter@comcast.net, or Betsy Gilbert, betsy.gilbert24@gmail.com.
- ✝ **WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS:** Wednesday Night Alive meals will resume on **Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 6:00 PM**. The meals during Lent will be soup, bread, and dessert. We are asking for 2 people each week to provide about 15 to 20 cups of soup, another to bring bread, and another to provide dessert for 20 to 25 people. **The soup does not have to be homemade!** When you provide receipts for the expenditure, we can reimburse you, which is why the baskets are put out for donations each week. Please contact Marti Hall at 703-626-2269 or martihall@comcast.net to volunteer or sign up on the link in the Thursday News. Thank you so very much for your help!
- ✝ **252 KIDS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: 9:30 AM 252 Kids Club (Sunday School) for 5-11 year olds is cancelled for January 28th** while Kim Brown is on her mission trip. The 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM classes (252 Kids Children's Ministry) will be held as usual. Thank you to our wonderful volunteers!
- ✝ **CREATIVE KIDS CLUB:** We are starting our new "Creative Kids Club" on Wednesday, February 14, 2024, 7:00-8:00 PM, immediately following Wednesday Night Alive Meal. Creative Kids Club will occur each Wednesday when meals are scheduled. Kids can look forward to using their creativity to explore their faith. We will also be looking for a volunteer to assist on Wednesday evenings. **Contact Kim Brown at kim.brown@fupcdc.org** for more information.
- * **SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY:** We are studying from The Parables of Jesus by Gladys Hunt. Join us today at 9:45 AM in the Triple Room. On **February 11th** we will begin a new Bible study, Mosaic: When God Uses All the Pieces by Shane Stanford. Contact Curt Hoagland for more information at choagieva@yahoo.com.

Student Ministry News

- ✚ **FAMILY GAME NIGHT:** Join the Youth for dinner and board games in the Triple Room on Sunday, January 28th, from 5 PM until 7 PM. All ages are invited-the more the merrier! Games and sandwiches will be provided. Please contact Ginger Galaini if you will be joining us, at gmgalaini@gmail.com or 571-408-1228.
- ✚ **INDOOR POOL PARTY:** Bring your youth friends and join us on Sunday, February 4, 2024, 2:30 PM -5:00 PM at the Prince William Aquatics Center (back of Colgan High School). RSVP to Pastor Adam at 828-448-8914 or adam.bowling@fupcdc.org.
- * **SPRING YOUTH CALENDARS:** Youth calendars are now available online and in the Welcome Center.
- * **STUDENT MINISTRY EMAILS:** Sign up to receive Student Ministry emails. Contact Pastor Adam, 828-448-8914, 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:

- | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| ✚ Barb McGill | * Debbie Niederriter | * Karen Gundel | * Linda Ford |
| * Baby Louisa Wolstenholme | * Baby Raphael | * Jeannine Menzie | * Leigh Anderson |
| * Bill and Laura Parris | * Tanya | * Doug Godfrey | * Nate Johnson |
| * Jason, Arina, Mikail Corbin | * Amanda | * Yolanda Magpayo | * Sue Johnson |
| * Sarpong Amakao | * Nathan Johnson, III | * Mikon Jones | * Lee Watenpaugh |
| * Linda | | * Shirley | * Mike Gundel |

- ✚ Congratulations to Joy and Jonathan Rojas, at the birth of their daughter, Alina Marie Rojas, Sunday, January 21, 2024 at 5:15 PM. Joy is the daughter of Ike and Kay Evans. Alina weighed 7 lbs, 1 oz. and was 21 inches long. Alina's parents and grandparents would like to thank everyone for all the prayers and support from their church family.

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)
- ✚ Zach Lauster (Aaron Lauster's son)

The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- ✚ Immanuel Presbyterian Church - McLean, VA
- ✚ John Calvin Presbyterian Church - Annandale, VA

Calendar

January 28 - February 4, 2024

SUNDAY, January 28

- 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
- 8:45 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry
- 9:45 AM Adult Bible Study
- 9:45 AM Confirmation Class
- 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
- 11:15 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry
- 12:15 PM Spread the Bread Ministry
- 1:30 PM Iglesia Pentecostal De Restauracion
- 2:30 PM Bereaved Parents of USA
- 5:00 PM Family Game Night

MONDAY, January 29

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
- 6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 - Wolf Den
- 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 18083

TUESDAY, January 30

- 8:30 AM TOPS
- 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 226
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964
- 7:00 PM Bull Run Troubadours

WEDNESDAY, January 31

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
- 7:00 PM FUPCDC Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, February 1

- 10:00 AM Fellowship Ministry Team
- 3:00 PM Prayer and Praise Small Group
- 7:00 PM FUPCDC Praise Team
- 7:00 PM Safety & Security Team
- 7:30 PM Iglesia Pentecostal De Restauracion
- 8:00 PM AA for Beginners

FRIDAY, February 2

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness
- 8:00 PM Iglesia Pentecostal De Restauracion

SATURDAY, February 3

- 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast
- 1:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964
- Eagle Scout of Honor

SUNDAY, February 4

- Scout Sunday
- 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional - Communion
- 8:45 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry
- 9:30 AM 252 Kids Club
- 9:45 AM Adult Bible Study
- 9:45 AM Confirmation Class
- 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary - Communion
- 11:15 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry
- 12:15 PM Spread the Bread Ministry
- 12:15 PM More Light Presbyterians Meeting
- 1:30 PM Iglesia Pentecostal De Restauracion
- 2:30 PM Youth - Indoor Pool Party
- Prince William Aquatics Center

Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, February 11, 2024 during the 10:00 AM - ONE SERVICE for the purpose of presenting the annual report and electing officers.

SESSION

Cathy Albrecht ('26)	703-670-8369
Amy Bean ('25)	703-670-3790
Debbie Cornelius ('24)	703-646-4297
Bill Ediage ('24)	571-477-9306
Ginger Galaini ('25)	571-408-1228
Jon Guest ('25)	703-586-7718
Pat Manalio ('26)	703-283-2948
Rick Mitchell ('26)	703-590-3277
Sam Parris ('24)	703-946-7226
Rev. Adam C. Bowling	<i>Moderator</i> 828-448-8914
Sara Porter	<i>Clerk of Session</i> 703-670-8737

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

Pat Manalio (Interim)	<i>Administration</i>	703-283-2948
Mike Slayter	<i>Congregational Care</i>	703-670-4648
Sam Parris (Interim)	<i>Evangelism & Outreach</i>	703-946-7226
Marti Hall	<i>Fellowship</i>	703-626-2269
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 2024

Agnes Fokwa
Nne Kalu
Kathy McNeely
Donna Seckar
Wilbur Snyder

Class of 2025

Debbie Cornelius
Gaylene Guest
Claire Hoagland
Mary Jones
Mike Slayter

Class of 2026

Grace Asafu-Adjaye
Sandy Chamberlin
Connie Cox
Ellen Nuernberger
Deborah Folly

Mike Slayter, Ministry Team Leader 703-670-4648

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, Woodbridge, VA

Ministers.....	People of the Church
Pastor.....	Rev. Adam C. Bowling
Parish Assistant.....	Pastor Michael Slayter
Nursery Supervisor.....	Taylor Woods
Children’s Ministry Director	Kim Brown
Chancel Choir Director.....	Dana Van Slyke
Contemporary Worship Leader.....	Rachel Bradley
Pianist/Organist.....	Dr. Nadia Carmichael
Sexton.....	Homer Detrich
Office Manager.....	Kim Parker



SCAN TO GIVE



First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, VA is a PC(USA) Congregation. We are a Matthew 25 church that is Earth Care Certified and part of the More Light Presbyterians--ALL are welcome and wanted!



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