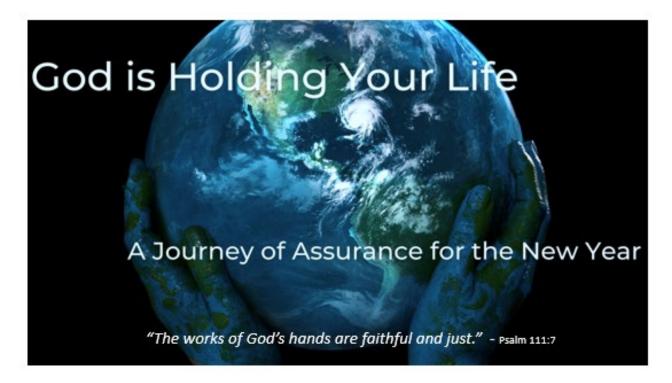
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7th Sunday after Epiphany February 20, 2022 11:00 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

<u>Adam.Bowling@fupcdc.org</u>
828.448.8914

GATHERING

+ GATHERING SONG

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Chris Tomlin, John Newton, Louie Giglio (CCLI#: 4768151)

WELCOME

+ GATHERING WORDS

How wonderful it is to sing our praises to God!

Praise the Lord who gathers us together.

God's mercy is given generously to all in need.

We are never out of the reach of God's love.

Come, worship, and celebrate. God is reaching out to you this day!

Praise be to God who continually heals and forgives us.

+ OPENING SONG

Ancient of Days

Gary Sadler, Jamie Harvill (CCLI#: 798108)

PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Everlasting God, we know how easy it is to forget your presence and power in our lives. Focused on our daily planners, we do not pay attention to the night sky and the stars that glitter. Surrounded by the sounds of anger, violence, and hate, we have trouble listening to your whispers of hope and grace. Thinking that Scripture is filled only with stories, we cannot understand your truth which can change lives.

Forgive us. There is no one who can hold a candle to you when it comes to mercy and hope. Lift us to our feet so we may walk with you; fill us with your strength so we may serve your people; touch us with your healing so we may proclaim to everyone the Good News that has come in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE (Isaiah 40:21-31; Psalm 147)

Haven't you been listening?

The Good News is this:

God never tires out, God is always with us,

God heals us with mercy, God strengthens us for service.

The One who numbers the stars knows each of us by name.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven!

+ **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.

Please share a sign of Christ's peace with those around you.

PROCLAIMING

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of mysteries and wonders, we come with open hearts to accept your assurance, open minds to receive your wisdom, and open hands to do your will. By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit reveal your vision of hope in scripture, sermon, and song.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 147:1-11, 20c NRSV

¹ Praise the Lord!

How good it is to sing praises to our God;

for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

²The Lord builds up Jerusalem;

he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

³ He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.

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- ⁴ He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.
- ⁵ Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.
- ⁶ The Lord lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground.
- ⁷ Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.
- ⁸ He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.
- ⁹ He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.
- ¹⁰ His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;
- ¹¹ but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

We Wait, We Hope, We Stay

Pastor 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 at the back of the sanctuary. 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** Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness (Psalm 147) 657

+ SERVICE OF GIVING

Music at the Offering Praise Ye the Lord (Psalm 150)

633

+ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord, let our congregation be a witness to you: immersed in scripture, constant in prayer, joyful in worship, generous in giving. A loving, supportive community reaching out to those in need. Accept these gifts we offer, in Jesus'name, Amen.

²⁰ Praise the LORD!

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

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 I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table
FUPCDC Praise Team

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1 I'm gonna eat at the welcome table; I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, One of these Days. I'm gonna eat at the welcome table; I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, One of these Days.

2 I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus; . . .

3 I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers; . . .

4 Here all the world will find a welcome; . . .

5 We're gonna feast on milk and honey; . . .

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

May the God of Hope Go with Us

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May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all; working for a world that's new,

faithful when we hear Christ's call.

(Spanish)

¡Dios de la esperanza, danos gozo y paz! Al mundo en crisis, habla tu verdad. Dios de la justicia, mándanos tu luz, luz y esperanza en la oscuridad. Oremos por la paz, cantemos de tu amor. Luchemos por la paz, fieles a ti, Señor.

+ Please stand, in body or in spirit.

The Session has called the State of the Church and Incorporation of First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City Annual Meeting on Sunday, **February 27, 2022**, at the end of the 10 AM one worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the Annual Report and to nominate new church officers (Elders and Deacons), and to elect new members of the Nominating committee.

Worship Notes

* WELCOME! Whether you are 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, adam.bowling@fupcdc.org.

* BELL RINGER: Ike Evans (8:30)

* WORSHIP ASSISTANTS: Lora Nedimyer (8:30)

Becca Anderson (11:00)

* FLOWERS are given by Kathy McNeely to thank all of the talented people, who make Zoom possible, for people at home.

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

- **♥ FUPCDC'S 50**TH **ANNIVERSARY:** 2022. . .marks 50 years for FUPCDC! We will celebrate throughout the year with various activities. Please send a picture of yourself and/or your family from the year you joined. This picture will be featured on a timeline in the hallway. Please send it via email or place in Cathy's mailbox. If you have questions call Cathy Albrecht or email at albrennan3@aol.com.
 - Save the dates! Two big weekends are planned in celebration of our 50th Anniversary.
 - Save the dates! April 16th and 17th
 - Save the dates! September 17th and 18th
 - Fun things are in the works!

If you have a special picture that you want to add to the wall, just email Cathy Albrecht ...categories are Mission, Worship, Staff, Music, Drama, Friends, Pastors, and other - lol.

- **WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE MEAL:** Please join us at **6:00 PM** for Food, Fellowship, and Faith. On February 23rd we will have Pizza. Drinks and dessert will be provided and there is no charge, but donations will be taken to cover the cost of the food. Please contact Gaylene Guest at 703-398-7449 with any questions.
- PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY: Please join us on Wednesdays, as we study the gospel of Matthew at 7:00 PM in Room 22 or join us by Zoom.
- **NO ADULT BIBLE STUDY: There is no Adult Bible Study Class today. On February 27th at 8:45 AM (one service at 10 AM) we will begin a new study of Ephesians and will be using the book: A Scandalous People. Mike Slayter will be leading the class. The link to the class is http://www.fupcdc.org/class. This link is good for all Adult Education Classes. For more information, contact Curt Hoagland at 703-380-3819 or choagleva@yahoo.com.
- CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: The Children's Ministry meets at 9:30 AM on Sundays.

 (On February 27th we will meet at 8:45 AM due to one worship service at 10 AM.) In our preschool Sunday School classes, this month, we'll be talking about LOVE. Did you know there are over 100 million love songs? Why so much interest in love? Well, it could be because God is love. And, God made every person in God's image. We were literally made by love, to love and to be loved! That is why Jesus loves everyone, and why He taught us how we can love everyone, too. Jesus gave us so many examples of loving everyone while He was on earth, and we get to share them with our preschoolers this month. Jesus loves everyone, and we can love

everyone like Jesus—that is what we want preschoolers to know. And, there's no better time in our world for children to hear this powerful truth. So, grab a party hat and a handful of confetti and let's get the party started!

In our kindergarten through sixth grade Sunday School classes, we'll focus on learning how to care for the people in our neighborhood as we study the connection between compassion and God's character. God's compassion for us led to the greatest act of love the world had ever seen. God sent Jesus to rescue us. We reflect God's compassion when we care about others and work to make things right.

- * MISSION OPPORTUNITY: Military bases are closing down their Afghan refugee intake, and families are beginning the process of re-settlement in the USA. They all have "Special Immigrant Visas," green cards, some cash—but imagine yourself in their situation.
 - How can we help? Do you, or someone you know, have a living space, apartment, or home that could be rented for the short or long-term? Would you be willing to spend some time for a one-time project, or as a friend, one-on-one and for the long-term?
 - Our Mission Team has agreed to support the work of the Refugee Ministry Team at Greenwich Presbyterian Church, in the Manassas area, which has supported Afghan families for over three years. They match car, furniture, and household goods donations with the families that need them. They have occasional one-time service opportunities. They provide training for anyone who is interested in a long-term commitment as a contact person with a family. Two of our members have already been in a very rewarding relationship with a family who have settled in Dumfries. If you are interested in helping our Afghan brothers and sisters, please contact Helen Franchois at 703-408-2064 or timhelen66@gmail.com for more information.
- * BIBLE BUDDIES: Our Ladies (Bible Buddies) study is on Mondays at 7:00 PM. We meet in person in Room 22 at FUPCDC or on Zoom. Cathy Albrecht and Betty Matthews are leading this study. We are using the book Words of Life: Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments

 Today by Adam Hamilton. Adam Hamilton brings readers a landmark work that considers the ten commandments in their historical context, unpacks how Jesus reinterpreted them, and shows how every thou-shalt-not was intended to point to a life-giving "thou shalt." Hamilton explores how Jews and Christians have understood the Ten Commandments over the millennia and how the latest research in science and psychology illuminates these commandments, rightly understood as a way of ordering one's life beautifully in the present day. For more information, please contact Betty Matthews through the FUPCDC office at 703-670-7834.

Student Ministry News

- * YOUTH ADVISORS (ADULT VOLUNTEERS): We are looking for Youth Advisors (Adult Volunteers). 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:

- * Dwight Land
- * Nancy Land
- Debbie Niederriter
- * Peggy Lusk
- * Karen Gundel
- Sue Lickiss
- * David Behrens
- * Melissa Behrens
- * Connie Fee
- * Susan Bennett
- * Lou Cartwright
- * Shirley Barnhart

- * Marjorie Lawrence *
- * Tanya
- * Gary Albrecht
- * Keith Albrecht
- * Ashleigh and Dan
- Sandra D'Imperio
- * Mark and Angelica
- * Patricia
- * Shannon Webb
- * Joanne Willis
- * Amanda
- * George Franchois

- * Sharon Patrick Dryden
- * Lee and Giselle Watenpaugh
- * Grace Ofosu-Addo
- * Baby Louisa Wolstenholme
- * Savannah Simmerman
- * Bill and Laura Parris
- * Jason, Adriana, Mikhail Corbin
- * Hunter and Annette Martin
- * Ann and Dineen Hoagland
- * Jennifer Wenzel Austin's Mother-In-Law
- * Theodore * Charlie Ashton
- Martha Manning * Douglas Godfrey Jr.

Jeannine Menzie

Sandy Godfrey

* Leigh Anderson

Linda Ford

Marti Hall

Norman Cox

Nate Johnson

Gretchen Snyder

Thank you for the beautiful flowers and cards that I received from the church family for my birthday! You have made me feel so special and loved. May God Bless each and every one of you!

- Sofie Garrett

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)
- ★ Matt DiVico, deployed to Germany

The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- 🕈 Old Presbyterian Meeting House Alexandria, VA
- 🕈 Patuxent Presbyterian Church California, MD

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 worshiping 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.



SESSION

Bill Ediage ('24) Morelle Fokwa ('24) Jon Guest ('22) Marti Hall ('22) Pat Manalio ('23) Chris Martin ('23) Sam Parris ('24) Linda Wolstenholme Rev. Adam C. Bowlin	('23) ·····Moderator······Clerk of Session····	571-477-9306 571-409-9435 703-491-4006 703-626-2269 703-283-2948 585-455-8423 703-946-7226 703-878-3697 828-448-8914
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Tracy Stevens

Helen Franchois

Kathy McNeely

Nne Kalu

Anne Green

Charlotte Stultz

Calendar February 20 - 27, 2022

SUNDAY, February 20

8:30 AM Worship - Traditional - Communion

9:30 AM Children's Education

9:45 AM Confirmation Class (Youth)

NO Adult Bible Study

11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary - Communion

1:00 PM Peace Church

MONDAY, February 21

Presidents' Day - Church Office Closed

10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom

7:00 PM Bible Buddies

8:30 PM Production Meeting via Google Meet

TUESDAY, February 22

8:30 AM TOPS

1:00 PM Al-Anon

5:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 - Tigers

6:30 PM Task Force Glue Stick

7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964

7:30 PM AA 101

7:30 PM Bull Run Troubadours

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WEDNESDAY, February 23

10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Alive Meal 6:15 PM Girl Scout Troop 80115 6:25 PM Young People's Choir

7:00 PM Chancel Choir

7:00 PM

7:00 PM Peace Church Prayer Meeting

Pastor's Bible Study

8:00 PM FUPCDC Praise Team

THURSDAY, February 24

3:00 PM Prayer and Praise Small Group

6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 2279

7:00 PM Girl Scout Service Unit 80-5 Juliettes

7:00 PM Session Meeting 7:30 PM Boy Scout Troop 964 8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, February 25

10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom

SATURDAY, February 26

SUNDAY, February 27 Annual State of the Church and Incorporation Meeting

8:45 AM Children's Education 8:45 AM Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship - one service 11:15 AM Confirmation Class (Youth)

1:00 PM Peace Church

3:00 PM Bereaved Parents of USA

Little Hands Preschool, 703-878-2366