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# A TALE OF TWO KINGDOM PARTIES



7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 11, 2021

8:30 AM

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## WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

### 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.*

### WELCOME

Rev. Adam C. Bowling

### PRELUDE

*To God Be the Glory*  
Justin Streletz, Pianist

Doane, Arr. Mary McDonald

### + CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, sing and dance before the Lord.

**Praise God with the sound of music and dancing!**

Let every soul sing God's praises!

**Let the mountains tremble and the seas roar!**

Praise the King of glory who guides our lives.

**Praise the Lord of hosts who watches over us.**

Let us worship God!

### + OPENING HYMN

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

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**1 Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;  
join me in glad adoration!**

**2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?**

**3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again;  
gladly for aye we adore him.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

God the creator, God of the cross, you show your power in whirling galaxies and unseen forces. You show your love in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Drive out the evils that threaten to break our spirits and help us to rely on your all-sufficient grace, for we pray in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith, let us confess our sins to God, praying together. . .

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Loving God, we come before your throne of grace to confess our sin. We have been selfish instead of generous; we have been proud instead of humble; we have held grudges instead of forgiving; we have proven over and over again that we cannot be good enough on our own. We need more of you, and less of ourselves. Gracious God, we ask for your forgiveness and receive it with joyful hearts. Renew our minds so that we may discern what is good. Fill us with your Spirit so that we may be your witnesses in the world. Comfort our hearts, that we may know that we have complete redemption by your grace alone. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

*(A Time of Silent Confession)*

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

You are not broken, not to the point that you cannot be made whole.  
God works through all of us, and God is working in you, to bring healing and wholeness.

**Restoration is always possible.**

Renewal is always possible.

**Forgiveness is always available.**

Love always is present.

Live with this Good News and know that you are forgiven.

**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

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

Mark 6:14-29 NRSV

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." <sup>15</sup> But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." <sup>16</sup> But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

<sup>17</sup> For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her.

<sup>18</sup> For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." <sup>19</sup> And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, <sup>20</sup> for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. <sup>21</sup> But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. <sup>22</sup> When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." <sup>23</sup> And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup> She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." <sup>25</sup> Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." <sup>26</sup> The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup> Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, <sup>28</sup> brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup> When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Goodness of God*

Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Jenn Johnson (CCLI# 7117726)  
Martin Andrews, Soloist

**SERMON**

A Tale of Two Kingdom Parties

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 worshipping online, please email Pastor Adam at [adam.bowling@fupcdc.org](mailto:adam.bowling@fupcdc.org). Know that ALL are welcome in this place!

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

+ **HYMN OF RESPONSE**

*O for a World*

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1 O for a world where everyone  
respects each other's ways,  
where love is lived and all is done  
with justice and with praise.

2 O for a world where goods are shared  
and misery relieved,  
where truth is spoken, children spared,  
equality achieved.

3 We welcome one world family  
and struggle with each choice  
that opens us to unity  
and gives our vision voice.

4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong;  
the foolish ones are wise.  
Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong,  
who perishes will rise.

5 O for a world preparing for  
God's glorious reign of peace,  
where time and tears will be no more,  
and all but love will cease.

## **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

*Amazing Grace*  
*Justin Stretetz, Pianist*

NEW BRITAIN, Arr. Jack Schrader

### **+ DOXOLOGY**

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*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**

God of grace, it is our delight and our devotion to give these gifts to you. All we are and all we have are yours alone. Accept this joyful offering as a token of our abiding love: use it to bring peace, justice and comfort to all the world. In Jesus' name we pray.  
Amen.

## **WE GO IN GOD'S NAME**

### **+ CLOSING SONG**

*Come, Great God of All the Ages*

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1 Come, great God of all the ages;  
make your earthly mission known;  
speak through every deed and person;  
let your way and will be shown.  
Guide the church to true commitment;  
give direction now, we ask;  
fit us for the work of building;  
dedicate us to the task.

2 Come, Christ Jesus, flesh and spirit,  
sure foundation, cornerstone;  
help us form the church eternal;  
may your vision be our own.  
Send a message to each follower;  
lead all people to your way;  
urge us to strong faith and action  
as we build the church today.

3 Come, great Spirit, in and with us,  
tune our ears to hear your call;  
through the moving of your presence,  
let redeeming love recall  
ministry in dedication,  
love embodied in our deeds;  
challenge us to do your bidding,  
see your purpose, fill all needs.

4 Come, O come, in celebration,  
household of the one true God;  
in commitment and rejoicing  
let us go where Christ has trod;  
as we act in faith and reverence,  
let us, Lord, the future see;  
place us in the church triumphant,  
now and for eternity.

+ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

+ **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*God Welcomes All*

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God welcomes all,  
strangers and friends;  
God's love is strong  
and it never ends.

+ **POSTLUDE**

*This is My Father's World*  
Justin Streletz, Pianist

TERRA BEATA, Arr. Larry Shackley

+ *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](mailto:office@fupcdc.org) or call 703-670-7834.
- \* **BELL RINGER:** Ike Evans (8:30)
- \* **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:** Doug Randles (8:30)  
Sam Parris (11:00)
- \* **FLOWERS** are given by Lora Nedimyer in honor of the wonderful FUPCDC church families; especially my Muter (Jean Peterman). Happy Birthday, Muter! xxxo

# 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

- \* **INDOOR WORSHIP:** Social distancing will be practiced and socially distanced seating will be provided for families and individuals. Masks are required (vaccinated worship leaders are excluded). Both services will also be live streamed for those who choose to worship at home. Ministries affiliated with the church may use the inside facilities starting on July 11, 2021 following state/federal guidelines. **Please contact the Church Office to schedule your group's day and time.** Outside groups will be able to use the church's indoor facilities beginning **August 1, 2021.**
- \* **DRAMA CAMP PERFORMANCE:** The Lighthouse Drama Camp will be performing *The Phantom Tollbooth Jr.* on **July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM** on the church lawn. Please come, bring a chair, and enjoy the performance.
- \* **TECH TEAM: FUPCDC is expanding our Tech Team.** We look forward to fully reopening for services in our sanctuary. In preparation for this event, we are installing new audio-visual equipment. This important piece of ministry is a key element as we reach out to an expanding community. Contact Peter Glycer ([peterglyer@gmail.com](mailto:peterglyer@gmail.com)) if you are interested in becoming part of this team! We will provide all the training necessary.
- \* **LITTLE HANDS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:** Registration is now open for the 2021-2022 school year. Register before August 1<sup>st</sup> to get \$10-25 off per month. For more information, go to [www.fupcdc.org/lhps](http://www.fupcdc.org/lhps).
- \* **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. 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? 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).

## *Student Ministry News*

- ✝ **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 to 81010.

# Joys and Concerns

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

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|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| * Norman Cox       | * Betty Little       | * Emmanuel Dankyi-Ankoma         | * Jeannine Menzie |
| * Theodore         | * 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     |
| * Sandra D'Imperio | * Amanda Peck        | * Savannah Simmerman             | * Leigh Anderson  |
| * Tanya            | * Debbie Niederriter | * Sam Parris' Dad                | * Linda Ford      |
| * Andrea Tootell   | * Chuck Niederriter  | * Bill and Laura Parris          | * Nate Johnson    |
| * David Behrens    | * Barb McGill        | * Jason, Adriana, Mikhail Corbin | * Diane Dingle    |
| * Melissa Behrens  | * Dan McGill         | * Hunter and Annette Martin      | * Karen Gundel    |
| * Mia Moy          | * Amanda             | * Ann and Dineen Hoagland        |                   |
| * Ashleigh and Dan |                      | * Mark and Angelica              |                   |

✝ Please join us in surrounding with prayers and love our daughter, Ashleigh and her fiancé, as they begin their life together—in Scotland—where they will be living. Ashleigh moved last Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. This is a big transition for all of us. Thank you! - Claire and Curt Hoagland

✝ Congregational love and sympathy are extended to Peter and Liz Glycer and family at the death of Peter and Liz's sister-in-law, Marti Glycer, on July 3, 2021. She went from the land of the dying to the land of the living. Please lift Peter, Liz, and their entire family up in prayer at this time.

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

- ✝ Kelsey Gibson (Affiliate Member of FUPCDC)
- ✝ Elizabeth Batista, Air Force Basic Military Training in Texas (Ana Batista Caporaletti's daughter)

## The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- ✝ Bealeton Presbyterian Church - Bealeton, VA
- ✝ Berwyn Presbyterian Church - Berwyn Heights, MD

# *Calendar*

## *July 11 - 18, 2021*

### **SUNDAY, July 11**

8:30 AM    Worship - Traditional  
11:00 AM    Worship - Contemporary  
1:15 PM    Property Ministry Team

### **MONDAY, July 12**

9:00 AM    Lighthouse Drama Camp  
10:30 AM    Holy Fitness via Zoom

### **TUESDAY, July 13**

9:00 AM    Lighthouse Drama Camp  
3:00 PM    Fellowship Ministry Team  
7:00 PM    Evangelism and Outreach Ministry Team  
7:00 PM    Worship Ministry Team

### **WEDNESDAY, July 14**

9:00 AM    Lighthouse Drama Camp  
10:30 AM    Holy Fitness via Zoom  
7:00 PM    FUPCDC Praise Team

### **THURSDAY, July 15**

9:00 AM    Lighthouse Drama Camp  
3:00 PM    Prayer and Praise Small Group  
5:30 PM    New AV Equipment Training (sanctuary)  
7:00 PM    Ministry Team Leaders Meeting

### **FRIDAY, July 16**

9:00 AM    Lighthouse Drama Camp  
10:30 AM    Holy Fitness via Zoom

### **SATURDAY, July 17**

9:00 - 11:00 AM    Little Hands Preschool Open House

### **SUNDAY, July 18**

8:30 AM    Worship - Traditional  
11:00 AM    Worship - Contemporary

## 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>

### BOARD OF DEACONS

#### Class of 2022

Debbie Cornelius  
Liz Goolgasian  
Anne Green  
Charlotte Stultz

#### Class of 2023

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

#### Class of 2024

Agnes Fokwa  
Deborah Folly  
Helen Francois  
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Ellen Nuernberger, Ministry Team Leader..... 703-878-0009

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## 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 14 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.

## SESSION

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Contemporary Worship Directors..... Becca and Chris Anderson  
Children’s/Youth Choir Directors..... Becca and Chris Anderson  
Jubilation Handbell Director .....Ike Evans  
Student Music Intern..... Sterling Tilley, III  
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 everyone register your attendance and prayer requests using the online form, which is located on our website at [fupcdc.org/attend](http://fupcdc.org/attend) or by scanning this QR Code with your cell phone’s camera.



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Little Hands Preschool, 703-878-2366

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