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Grace Enough for Everyone

9th Sunday after Pentecost

July 25, 2021

8:30 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

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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

Richard Bennett

SESSION NOTES

Sara Porter

PRELUDE

Eternal Father, Strong to Save
Justin Streletz, Pianist

MELITA, Arr. Larry Shackley

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

There are people in need whom we encounter every day.

How shall we care for them? Their need is so great!

What gifts do you have?

We have so little: our energy, our love, our willingness to serve.

These are not little gifts. With those gifts, mighty works can be done.

You have worked miracles in our lives, Lord.

Place your hope in God's eternal love.

As we serve, may we also be thankful for the many ways in which God has blessed us.

Let us worship God!

+ OPENING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

We are among the builders. We do silos and missile silos, we do towers and large granaries, we do pyramids and monuments and steeples and high-rises. We build because we are able, because it looks good, because it feels good, because we have so much stuff to store. We make it tall and shiny and beautiful only to discover that moth and rust consume, only to discover that shiny surface turns empty shell, only to discover that storage is for goods that melt and sour. We end closer to empty-handed than we imagine. As we are able, we turn from our cities to you, we turn from our success to you, we turn from our reason to you, we turn from our power to you. To you, to you, to you—our help is in no other, save in you alone. You only, you enough, you in your generosity. Whom have we in heaven but you? There is nothing on Earth we desire other than you. Hear our trust and thanks and readiness to obey. In Jesus's holy name,
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

Generous God, whose giving knows neither measure nor end, we confess that all too often we have kept our own hearts, hands, and minds firmly closed. Forgive us for those times when our own wants and wishes have filled the horizon to the exclusion of all else, and made us blind and deaf to the needs and concerns of others. Forgive us for those moments when the fear that sharing what we have will lead to our own impoverishment, has kept us silent and still when those around us are in need. Forgive us for those situations when seeing only a problem rather than daring to dream a solution, has left us fettered and powerless where we might have been building your Kingdom. Forgive us Father. Help us to transcend self-centeredness, greed, and fear and to always to feel, think, and act as those who know the hope that is rooted in the generous giving of God. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We know that we have been ransomed from the futile ways inherited by our ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, a love without limit, without condition, without end.

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.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Richard Bennett

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone. Let the heavenly food of the scripture we are about to hear nourish us today in the ways of eternal life, through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven.

Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 6:1-21 NRSV

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵ When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹ "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰ Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

¹⁵ When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰ But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹ Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

It is Well with my Soul

Spafford and Bliss, Arr., David Harrington

Harmonizers Quartet:

Tenor: Doug White, Lead: Frank Fedarko, Baritone: Joe Cerutti, Bass: Ike Evans

SERMON

Grace Enough for Everyone

Richard Bennett

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 an usher. 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** *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* 649

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

There Must be a City

SPIRITUAL

Harmonizers Quartet:

Tenor: Doug White, Lead: Frank Fedarko, Baritone: Joe Cerutti, Bass: Ike Evans

+ **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**

Creator and Sustainer, you have so lovingly and graciously provided for every need from your abundance. As we offer our gifts to you this morning, we carry burdens for what we have held back, confessing our worry about “not having enough” at the same time we proclaim your abundant provision. We pray that as Christ sends us in the world, we may hear his caution to travel lightly, not weighing ourselves down as we travel this journey set before us. In Christ’s mighty name.

Amen.

The Harmonizers Quartet is a foursome made up of members of the Alexandria Harmonizers Men's Barbershop Chorus. More info: <https://www.harmonizers.org/>.



Baritone: Joe Cerutti

Baritone Joe Cerutti is the director of the Harmonizers and has been for the past 14 years. He also is currently the Director of Outreach for the Barbershop Harmony Society, headquartered in Nashville, and is in demand literally all over the world as a coach and as a judge. Joe holds two degrees in choral music - a Bachelor's degree from Five Towns College on Long Island and a Masters in choral conducting from Boston University.



Lead: Frank Fedarko

Lead singer Frank Fedarko grew up 30 miles SSW of Pittsburgh, PA, and enlisted in the Air Force as a linguist specializing in Russian. He was soon commissioned as an intelligence staff officer and served for 27 years, retiring in 2003, while at the Defense Intelligence Agency. Following retirement from the Air Force, he worked for the consulting firm Booz Allen Hamilton for 12 years and is now fully retired.



Tenor: Doug White

Tenor Doug White grew up on Long Island, graduated from the US Air Force Academy with a BS in Rocket Science (space operations engineering), and has recently retired from active duty following a two-year tour in Korea and two years in Nebraska. He was deployed to Afghanistan and has served in many capacities. He is living in Bristow, VA, and works as a contractor for NASA, working on subsystems for the Artemis missions to the moon and Mars.



Bass: Ike Evans

Bass Ike Evans also grew up on Long Island, attended the University of Michigan, and then enlisted in the US Marine Band ("The President's Own"), serving as a tubist (tuba player) for 28 years. In '75 and '76 he served as principal tubist with the US Armed Forces Bicentennial Band and Chorus, where he met and married Kay Robinson, who was a soprano selected to serve with the Air Force in the 24-voice Bicentennial Chorus.

Ike and Kay currently sing in the FUPCDC chancel choir and have also previously participated in the "Notes of Salvation" praise band (Kay) and the Jubilation Handbell Choir (Ike). This is their 28th year at FUPCDC.

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:** Beth Bennett (8:30)
Therese Same (11:00)
- * **FLOWERS** are given by Lois Walker in memory of her mother, Ida Van Wingerden.

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:** 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 will open **Sunday, August 1st** 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 saraporter@comcast.net or 703-819-5044 by **August 15th** to order a book.
- * **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) 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 1st to get \$10-25 off per month. For more information, go to 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.

- * **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.
- * **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.
- * **SPREAD THE LOVE:** We need volunteers to write cards/notes. 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.

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.

SESSION

Cathy Albrecht ('23)	703-670-8369
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Jon Guest ('22)	703-491-4006
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Sara Porter	<i>Clerk of Session</i> 703-670-8737

Joys and Concerns

All those who are ill or facing difficulties, including:

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| ✝ Elree Stockton | * Betty Little | * Emmanuel Dankyi-Ankoma | * Jeannine Menzie |
| * Martha Manning | * 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 | * 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 | * Norman Cox |
| * Ashleigh and Dan | * Tanya | * Mark and Angelica | * Theodore |
| * Sandra D'Imperio | | | |

✝ With grateful thanks to our church family for your kind thoughts, prayers and cards as we grieve the loss of our sister-in-law, Marti Glycer. - Peter and Elizabeth Glycer

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

✝ Kelsey Gibson (Affiliate Member of FUPCDC)

The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- ✝ Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church - Bethesda, MD
- ✝ Brambleton Presbyterian Church - Brambleton, VA

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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
 Student Music Intern.....Sterling Tilley, III
 Nursery Supervisor.....Joann Paige
 Little Hands Preschool Director.....Tiffany Ramsey
 Sexton.....Homer Detrich
 Office Manager.....Kim Parker

Calendar

July 25 - August 1, 2021

SUNDAY, July 25

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

MONDAY, July 26

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

TUESDAY, July 27

7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964

WEDNESDAY, July 28

Newsletter Deadline
10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom
7:00 PM FUPCDC Praise Team

THURSDAY, July 29

3:00 PM Prayer and Praise Small Group

FRIDAY, July 30

10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom

SATURDAY, July 31

SUNDAY, August 1

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

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

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