



First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City

Chronicles

August 2021



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From Pastor Adam



FUPCDC Family of Faith,

What comes to mind when you think about your neighbors? Maybe you don't know them very well, or, if you're honest, maybe you think the lady across the street is a bit weird. For many of us, it can be tempting to keep our distance and mind our own business in our neighborhood. But is that really how God wants us to live?

As followers of Jesus, we've been called to love both God and our neighbors. It's easier said than done. If we push past the fear, time barriers, and pride that can keep us from engaging with others, we can build deep connections with the people in our neighborhood and, most importantly, please God.

Join us on Sunday, August 8, at 8:30 AM (traditional) and 11:00 AM (contemporary) as Pastor Adam begins a new three-week sermon series, entitled **"The Art of Neighboring"** inspired by scripture and the book [The Art of Neighboring: Building Genuine Relationships Right Outside Your Door](#) by Jay Pathak and Dave Runyon. In fact, you may want to invite your friends and neighbors to join us!

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Sunday, August 8: The Art of Neighboring: Taking the Great Commandment Literally, Luke 10:35-37

Sunday, August 15: The Art of Neighboring: The Time Barrier, Luke 10:38-42

Sunday, August 22: The Art of Neighboring: The Fear Factor, Luke 5:27-32

When Jesus was asked to sum up everything into one command, he said to love God with everything we have and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Most of us have turned this simple idea of loving our neighbors into a nice saying, putting it on bumper stickers and refrigerator magnets, and then going on with our lives, without actually putting it into practice.

What would happen if every follower of Jesus took the Great Commandment literally? Is it possible that the solution to our society's biggest issues has been right under our noses for the past two thousand years? We hope you will join us as we explore these questions.

On the journey with you,

Pastor Adam

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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 1** 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.

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 the QR Code with your mobile device.



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Session Notes

July Session Report

At its meeting on July 22, the Session welcomed Amanda Peck as a new Friend of the Church. Amanda is a friend of the Bowling family and has been attending our virtual worship services.

An additional Ultraviolet HVAC installation was approved for the nursery cooling/heating zone. Previous Ultraviolet air purifiers were installed in the sanctuary area and the preschool area.

Reports were received from the ministry teams, the Director of Little Hands Preschool and the Treasurer. Our finances are in good shape and our viewership of the online worship services continues at about the same level as before opening to in-person worship. Our hybrid services are meeting the spiritual needs of a diverse congregation.

Elder Sam Parris was appointed as President of the First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, Virginia, Incorporated. The current Session members are the trustees and the Clerk of Session is the Secretary.

The Session spent some time in reading a portion of "Habits of Evangelism," material from the PC(USA), and discussing what evangelism is and is not. As a Matthew 25 church, reaching out to others is a part of our focus, and this study by the Session will help to define and plan our focus on reaching out to our community and beyond. Session will be spending several months working through this material. You may contact Pastor Adam if you would like to know more about what evangelism is.

Submitted by Sara Porter, Clerk of Session

Congregational Care (Deacons)

The ministry of congregational care 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.

2021 BOARD OF DEACONS A Ministry of Compassion and Service

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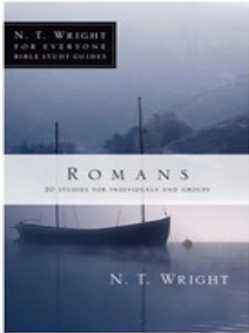
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We love to hear from you. If you need to be connected with your Congregational Care representative, please contact Debbie Folly

Growing in Faith (Christian Education)

Adult Education Classes - No Summer classes

Romans Bible Study

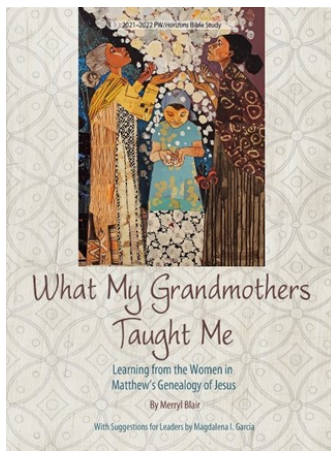


We will continue to study Romans for 9 more weeks in the fall.

Pastor's Weekly Bible Study

Pastor's weekly Bible Study will begin in the fall on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM.

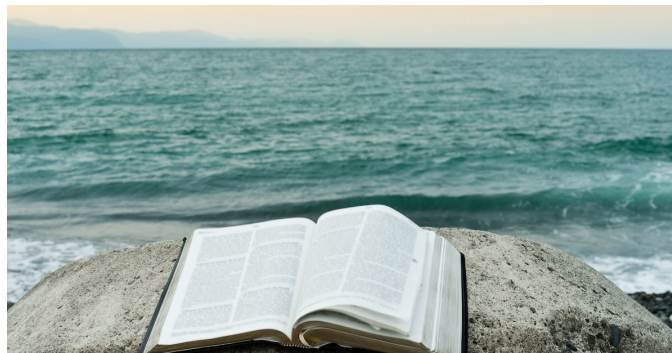
Fair Share Community Speaker Series - We hope to continue the Fair Share series in the fall. We will make announcements.



Horizons (Ladies' Bible Study) - The Horizons Bible study group will return on Monday, September 13. "**What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus**" will explore how the four women mentioned in Jesus's family tree and his mother Mary may have influenced Jesus. Tamar, Rahab, and Bathsheba are unlikely heroines and we don't know a lot about them, Ruth and Mary. 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>](mailto:saraporter@comcast.net) or 703-819-5044 by August 15 to order a book.

Women's Monday Bible Study (Bible Buddies)

Bible Buddies will meet on Mondays at 7:00 PM , starting September 13. Stay tuned for more information.



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ACTS Donation

Thanks to your generosity, FUPCDC delivered 61 pounds of food to the ACTS food pantry in July. Thank you for your continued commitment to alleviate hunger in Prince William County.

“Those who live to bless others will have blessings heaped upon them, and the one who pours out his life to pour out blessings will be saturated with favor.” - Proverbs 11:25 TPT

SAVE THE DATES!

On October 16, 2021 the Mission Team will host a “Bake-Off”. Members and friends of FUPCDC are invited to enter their home baked creations in one of four categories: breads, cakes, pies, and cookies.

The Pie Sale is coming back to FUPCDC! The Mission Team will take pie orders between October 24 and October 31. Pies will be delivered on Wednesday, November 17. Stay tuned for more information about these exciting events!

NEW MINISTRY

Jessica Dunn, the Executive Director of **Change In Action** was one of the speakers in the Fair Share Speaker Series a few months back. After learning about the organization, the Mission Team reached out to learn more about their needs. The mission of **Change in Action** is to promote safe and stable violence-free lives by teaching skills, modeling and instilling accountability, educating on the health consequences of exposure to trauma, and supporting individuals and families through the process of change to enhance personal well-being through the development of healthy relationships. The organization has 3 programs:

- ◇ Batterer’s Intervention
- ◇ Anger Management
- ◇ Children’s Program

We are supporting the Children’s Program by providing funding for backpacks and school supplies for children with difficult home environments.



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On July 28, 2021, with the help of your generous donations, gift bags filled with family games and activities were donated to 12 families, (a total of 37 children). Additionally, 20 incentive/reward gifts were donated to the Good Shepherd Housing Partnership Program for individuals who receive their services. Gift bags contained age appropriate books, puzzles, and games for each family. Incentive/reward gifts consisted of water bottles and a small gift card from local fast food restaurants. The Good Shepherd Housing Partnership Program began in January 2002 and is designed to meet an urgent need for longer term supportive, affordable housing for Prince William County families earning very low incomes. The families come from shelters, transitional housing programs, or are in imminent danger of homelessness.

This program also provides a wide range of supportive services. The goals of this program are to empower families to retain housing through educational and income development and to provide parents with the support necessary to help their children achieve their highest, personal best.

Thanks to all who helped with this effort. And, a big "Thank You" for your continued support of our various mission activities!



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Glendell Hill
Sheriff

July 15, 2021

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Re: Project Lifesaver Donation Check #5395 for \$3000.00

The Prince William County Sheriff's Office would like to express our sincere appreciation for the First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City's contribution to the Project Lifesaver Program. Your contribution will be used to purchase new equipment so that we may add additional clients to the program. Your generosity will surely be a great help for individuals suffering from Autism, Alzheimer's disease, Dementia and other related disorders. Thank you for assisting us in allowing this program to grow within our community.

Sincerely,

Glendell Hill,
Sheriff

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Presbyterian Mission
**Mission Engagement
& Support**

Thank You!

July 14, 2021

First United Presbyterian Church Of Dale City
Attn: Clerk of Session
14391 Minnieville Rd.
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Dear Clerk of Session:

Grace and peace to you through Jesus Christ, who makes us one. It is hard to believe that we are halfway through the summer. I hope you and the leadership of your congregation can take time to catch your breath, and give the choir, the committees and the session a well-deserved break. On our liturgical calendars this is 'ordinary time'. We give thanks for your faithful and extraordinary support of Presbyterian mission.

On behalf of Presbyterian Mission, please convey our appreciation to your mission committee, pastor, session, and congregation for your gracious and faithful support. On June 15, 2021, we received \$1,875.00 for OG999999 One Great Hour of Sharing Offering.

The support of your congregation makes a difference in sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ locally, nationally and around the world. Thank you, once again, for your witness to the Great Commission and your support of Presbyterian Mission. You are a valued partner.

Please let me know how I can assist you in your mission efforts. Feel free to call, write or email with any questions, ideas or suggestions that you may have. I am here to walk alongside you in our shared mission.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sy Hughes".

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Lighthouse Drama Camp

Lighthouse Drama Camp Celebrated its seventh year, with a performance of *The Phantom Tollbooth Jr.* on July 23, 2021. With a yard full of parents, friends and members of the congregation. We had started with this play over two years ago. The pandemic forced us into a virtual camp last year, but we were so glad to be able to meet together and perform. Each day was opened with prayer and a reading of the Bible from Ecclesiastics 3: **There is a TIME for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens.**

TIME and using TIME wisely was the theme of this play. One verse particularly spoke to us." A time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing."

We thank God for the TIME that we shared together. Twenty campers followed Milo, played by Ellie Bowling, on a journey of self-discovery to lands of Dictionopolis and Digitopolis. Traveling through the Dol-drums and Expectations to the Castle in the Air. Sounds like fantasy for sure, but so right for this TIME. Milo's quest was to save the princesses of Sweet Rhyme and Reason. It was truly a different camp, with time spent mostly outside with masks that could not dampen the enthusiasm.

Eleven adults helped to make this camp successful. Ruth Washburg, Gaylene and Tori Guest headed up crafts Craftily... Becca and Rachel Washburg did signs, props and scenery with a flourish. Peter Glycer and Chris Martin worked on sound, with a comment from the audience.." This is the first time I have ever heard all of the dialogue and music." Jess Martin helped to keep our campers safe and on point along with Sara Porter. Sara also kept track of the props, making sure the children had what they needed on stage.

Becca Anderson led the rehearsals with precision and creativity to accomplish so much in just 2 hours a day for ten days. That's 20 hoursDO THE MATH.... Amazing. Cathy Albrecht did what producers do... oversaw the works even making sure the bubbles went off at the appropriate TIME.

Next Year? Frozen, as was announced at the play. Hopefully, we will be back to full camp capacity. Only TIME will tell! Regardless, God is good! ALL THE TIME!



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Fall Clean Up

Mark your calendars! Fall clean up will be held on Saturday, October 2 from 9:00 AM - 12 noon.

Rain date: Saturday, October 9, same times. More information will be in a future newsletter and bulletin.



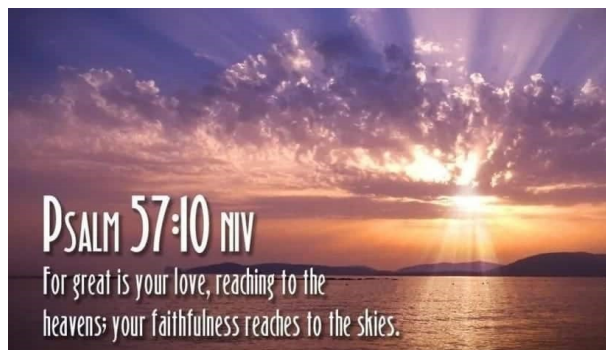
Spread the Warmth



Looking for a worthwhile project to do while watching TV, or when you have a little extra time on your hands?

Do you know how to KNIT or CROCHET? Why not join our group of folks who create hats and scarves for our friends who are homeless, or a hat for someone suffering from cancer?

Contact Elizabeth Glycer for more information at lizglyer@gmail.com.



Little Hands Preschool



**LITTLE HANDS
PRESCHOOL
REGISTRATION OPEN!**

LEARN MORE:
www.fupcdc.org/lhps



FUPCDC Family and Friends,

Sign up to join us Saturday, August 14, 2021 from 10:00 AM till 2:00 PM at Dolphin Beach in Montclair ([4398 Spillway Lane, Montclair, VA 22025](https://www.google.com/maps/place/4398+Spillway+Lane,+Montclair,+VA+22025)) for Family Beach Day! We only have 60 spots available for non-residents of Montclair, so register today. If you are a resident of Montclair, please register using the separate link (you will not count towards our 60 available spots).

We will not be serving food, but we will have the picnic shelter reserved for the church, so pack a picnic lunch for your family. Remember to pack swimsuits, towels, sunscreen, beach chairs, water, and anything else you want to have at the beach (toys, balls, Frisbees, etc.). This event is for all ages and for all families.

The beach is lifeguarded, and there is no rain date for this event. (Note: at this time the jumping platform at Dolphin Beach is out of commission.)

-The Fellowship Ministry Team

[Family Beach Day Registration](#)

[Montclair Resident - Family Beach Day Registration](#)

