

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City Chronicles March 2019



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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ADAM

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From Pastor Adam...

Why Another New Hymnal?

Do You Know the Words?

Can you finish the lines of these hymns?

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee, _____
God of the sparrow, God of ____
Let us talents and ____
Lift high ____
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? _____



When asked, many Presbyterians know not just one following word, but a whole series of phrases. In the last example, indeed, many can unhesitatingly sing the entire refrain by heart.

What is so remarkable about this? All five of the hymns in question were unfamiliar to Presbyterian congregations when the "new blue" hymnal appeared in 1990. Had churches never adopted that resource, these five songs—and many others just as meaningful and memorable—would have remained outside the shared worship life of PC(USA) congregations.

Instead, though, within a matter of a relatively few years, those once "new" songs became "old" favorites. "New" must, however, appear in quotation marks—these hymns were not all of recent vintage when they were selected for the 1990 hymnal. "Lift High the Cross," sung to the tune CRUCIFER, dates to 1916, and the English translation of "How Great Thou Art," to 1953. But these hymns had not appeared in earlier Presbyterian publications, so in the 1990s they were "new" to a particular group of people.

By the same token, "old" must also be qualified. When people say they love "the good old hymns," they generally do not mean the third century Greek lamp-lighting hymn (the Phos hilaron, translated into such English versions as "O Gladsome Light"), or the fourth-century Latin texts of Bishop Ambrose of Milan (like "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"). In fact, they often have in mind something of comparatively recent historical origin. In their minds, therefore, "old" does not so much mean "ancient" as it means often-used, comfortably familiar, or rich with personal associations. An "old hymn" is a bit like an old shoe: no matter how recently it was acquired, it is cherished in large part because it does not chafe or call attention to itself; rather, it simply helps to take us where we need to go—particularly, in the instance of a hymn, if we need to go into the presence of the living God.

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The Ongoing Work of the Spirit

Efforts to identify and define "new" and "old" hymns show that songs currently unknown to a group of worshipers can, within the next several years, rise to the status of "old favorites"—"heart songs," songs that touch us deeply and help us experience more of who God is and what God would have us become. If we believe, as we profess in the Presbyterian Brief Statement of Faith, that "the same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life," then surely we should leave the way open for that Spirit to continue inspiring people to craft songs expressive of each generation's distinctive challenges and joys.

Ultimately, one of the most important reasons for producing new hymnals is to provide access to this ongoing inspiration. Over the last decades of the twentieth century and the first decades of the twenty-first century, the field of church music has witnessed an unprecedented outpouring of creativity. Experts refer to a "hymn explosion" that began in Great Britain in the 1960s and has continued unabated since that time, expanding to the United States and numerous other countries. In fact, since the World Council of Churches met in Canberra, Australia, in 1991 (the year after the "blue" Presbyterian hymnal was published), tunes and texts from all around the globe have become available for widespread use as never before.

In addition to this exponential increase in works composed in the traditional "hymn" genre—a series of stanzas, all sung to the same tune, developing a theological theme or biblical narrative—the past generation has also witnessed an upsurge in what is variously referred to as "praise and worship" or "contemporary Christian" music. In contrast to hymns, this alternative genre sometimes assumes popular song form, with verses, a refrain, and a bridge; sometimes it takes the shape of a single chorus sung repeatedly to create a particular worshipful mood like exuberant joy or contemplative peace. Because of this repetitive structure, songs in the "praise chorus" repertoire, whether hailing from the United States or elsewhere, have sometimes been caricatured as "7/11 songs": seven words, sung eleven times over.

But any genre can be parodied: one could just as easily (and inaccurately) characterize traditional hymns as "11/7 songs": eleven-stanza treatises sung out of seven pound books! The fact of the matter is that many moving and powerful worship songs do simply use the same words over and over. Think of the hymns "Come, Bring Your Burdens to God" or "Jesus, Remember Me, When You Come into Your Kingdom." On the other hand, numerous meaningful hymns require multiple stanzas to develop their ideas. These include Trinitarian hymns that have a stanza for each person of the Godhead, plus a final doxology celebrating their unity, or carols that unfold the whole drama of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection (like Sydney Carter's "The Lord of the Dance"). Both genres, the hymn and the praise song, can be done well or poorly; a principle of charity urges us to look for the best rather than the worst each has to offer.

I hope and pray that we at First United Presbyterian will be open to the work of the Spirit as we continue to discover "new" and "old" songs. Maybe, just maybe, they will become "old favorites" or "heart songs" soon.

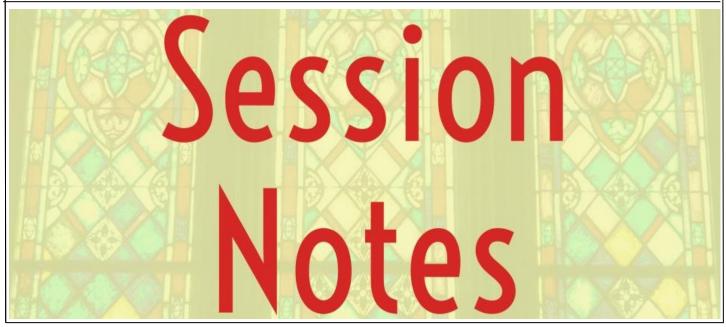
To be continued next month...

Passion for Christ—Compassion for Others Loving God—Loving Others Connect—Grow—Serve

Session Report - February

- 1. Approved motion to approve church wide trip to the Bible Museum on March 25th.
- 2. Approved Ric Grossman's spiritual art class (Drawing closer to God) date TBD.
- 3. Approved procurement of two large CONEX boxes at no cost for Boy/Cub Scout storage.
- 4. Approved allocation of \$2,000.00 for Kairos from Enhanced Ministry Funds.
- 5. Approved the hosting of the Hope Haitian Choir scheduled for July 28th @ 7:00 PM. There will be a love offering.
- 6. Approved a \$4,000.00 contract with Nightwatch to upgrade our fire alarm system.
- 7. Approved Little Hands Preschool's financial review response.
- 8. Approved the renaming of Vacation Bible School to Vacation Bible Camp.
- 9. Approved updates to the Stewardship and Mission & Outreach charters.
- 10. Approved the sending of care packages to college students.
- 11. Approved changes to the Student Ministries Health & Permission form.
- 12. Approved transfer of usher responsibilities from the Worship Committee to the Safety & Security Committee.

Submitted by Sara Porter, Clerk of Session



Stewardship

Throughout the year, the Stewardship Committee will be providing news articles that show how your faithful giving of time, talent and treasures to FUPCDC have touched many lives; whether in the church family, our community, within the states, or internationally. Enjoy the first of many articles of how *your giving* made a difference not only in Veracruz, but in the life of our church brother. Many thanks to Tim Camus for sharing his story.

A story from the Mission Field: The Yucatán Mission Experience

Our mission work in the Yucatán is only possible because we have the love and support of the congregation. We are able to spread God's love as a result of money collected from fundraisers, donations, love offerings and the congregation's support through prayer. I took my first mission trip to the Yucatán in January 2010 and it changed my life forever. Although I grew up as a Christian, the 2010 mission trip was the first time I ever saw the face of God. His face was present in the people we were serving. The light bulb went off for me: Jesus instructs us throughout the scriptures to do unto others as we would do unto Him, to love God and to love our neighbor, and to give to the least, the last and the lost. I finally understood what Jesus was telling me to do because I experienced it first-hand. I was hooked and I haven't missed a Yucatán mission trip since 2010.

One of the experiences that moved me the most occurred in the tiny village of Veracruz. We were scouting for a site for the placement of one of our water purification plants and Veracruz was identified as a possible location. After a very long and bumpy drive, we arrived in Veracruz and spoke to a woman named Sinfora, the Matriarch of the Presbyterian church there. She and her family homesteaded Veracruz and they founded the church. During our visit, we could see that Sinfora was a woman of strong faith. We prayed together and we spoke about the POSSIBILITY of coming back to build a water purification plant in the village and to deliver a bible school for the children. As we drove away, we were moved by Sinfora's charismatic presence and faith, but we agreed that Veracruz was too far out of the way as the road to the village was horrible; we felt it wasn't feasible to get a team in and out of the village in order to build a water plant there. We scouted another site, Buena Vista, and we selected it, as it was logistically more convenient.

Then God got involved. Several months before our planned mission trip we learned that the host Presbyterian church in Buena Vista had folded. Our choice was to cancel the upcoming mission trip or to select a different location. After much prayer- and hearing a rumor that the road to Veracruz was repaired, we selected Veracruz for our mission trip.

On our first day in Veracruz we worked hand in hand and side by side with Sinfora's three sons. Two of the sons spoke a little bit of English. They told us they couldn't thank us enough for coming to Veracruz because we made their mother (Sinfora) very happy. They said that ever since the day we left a year earlier, Sinfora prayed hard that we would come back and she told everyone that because of the prayers, God would bring us back. The brothers said to us "you have answered our mother's prayers." I thought to myself that God is right here, right now. Our presence in Veracruz came about only as the result of an unusual circumstance (Buena Vista falling through), yet here we were, a team of American missionaries out in the middle of the Yucatán jungle building a water purification plant. Our presence was living proof for Sinfora and for all of the people in this remote village that God answers prayers.

God blesses us with an abundance of riches. Through our mission work He enables us to share our Christian love and some of our possessions with those who have great faith but they may have very little in the way of material possessions. This story and others like it are why I will keep going back on Yucatán mission trips.

I give thanks to all of you for helping to make the mission experience possible! Please consider joining us on our next trip.

Tim Camus

Deacons Report - February

The Deacons hosted a "Souper" Bowl Sunday on February 3rd in the Narthex Welcome Center offering soup to go after both services. Over 200 bowls of nine varieties of soup were served. Thank you to the many Deacons who helped make this event a success.

The Deacons hosted a Potluck Breakfast on February 17th preceding the One Worship Service at 10 AM. Despite the holiday weekend, we had approximately 50 persons in attendance with some getting plates "to go" and others coming in shifts. There was an amazing spread of food available from casseroles to donuts and fruit and anything in between. Thank you for your participation and filling the serving table with a delicious meal.

Many Deacons participated in the One Worship Service and Annual Congregation Meeting on February 17th and entered the receiving line after the benediction to be greeted by those in attendance. It was great putting names to faces.

On behalf of Deacon Celine Sonkwa, the Deacons welcomed a new family (the Shitaye's) to the church and participated in the ceremony at the 10 AM service as well as the Potluck Lunch that followed the February 17th service.

2019 BOARD OF DEACONS A Ministry of Compassion and Service

Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Gail Cobb	Agnes Fokwa	Liz Goolgasian
Claudia Cunningham	Lisa Fortner	Peggy Heins
Mayra Drayer	Kathy McNeely	Therese Same
Betty Matthews	Carol Schwalm	Bob Thompson
Denise Parris	Celine Sonkwa	Patricia Whitman

Coming up and stay tuned for additional information in the Sunday bulletins:

The next Deacon meeting will be on March 19th at 6:45 PM in the Triple Room.

April 14th, Palm Sunday, is One Worship Service, so a Potluck or Pancake breakfast is possible.

April 21st, Easter Sunday, will include children's activities between services.

Prince William County Relay for Life, May 11, 2019, 10 AM - 10 PM, Prince William County Fairgrounds. FUPCDC

Submitted by Denise Parris, Deacon Co-Moderator

^{*}We love to hear from you. **If you need to be connected with your Deacon,** please contact Denise Parris or Carol Schwalm by calling the number listed above or the church office.

Adult Ministry

Adult Education Lenten Bible Study: FORGIVENESS

Ash Wednesday will be here before you know it! A **Lenten study** on **Forgiveness** begins on **Sunday, March 10th** during the Christian Education hour. Forgiving others and humbly asking for forgiveness, are central disciplines for all Christian believers. Marjorie J. Thompson, author of the best selling book **Soul Feast**, takes a close look at our understanding of forgiveness in an encouraging and lively six week study. Please join us for a discussion rich journey that examines our ability to forgive, and our own need for forgiveness. Please see Cathy Smith for information.

Children's Ministry

We'd like to thank our wonderful parents for a successful Parent's Night Out! 17 children joined us for an evening of pizza, chips, crafts and fun! Ms. Rena would like to thank volunteers who gave of their time to ensure the children had a good time:

Becky George Bruce George Sue Johnson Joann Paige Gretchen Snyder Bob Thompson

Kidz Church: 11:00 AM

Goodness, February flew by! We are in the Lenten season. We had a very successful February. The children were engaged, and had fun and learned Bible stories and were constantly seen practicing God's love! This month we will be focusing on the events leading up to Easter. As we shift our focus to what Jesus' focus was as He journeyed towards Jerusalem, we see things differently no matter what our age.





Special Offer

A digital offer card for a FREE breakfast entrée will be given out for every \$10 spent with voucher redemption.

Wednesday, March 13th 4 – 7 PM

Join us for good food at: Chick-fil-A Dumfries 3880 Fettler Park Drive



20% of sales will be given back to the preschool. You can Dine In or Drive Thru, just mention the name **Little Hands Preschool.**



Little Hands Preschool

A ministry of outreach of the First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City 14391 Minnieville Road Woodbridge, VA 22193



Registration for the 2019 – 2020 is underway!

Our programs serve children ages 2.5 years old – 5 years old.

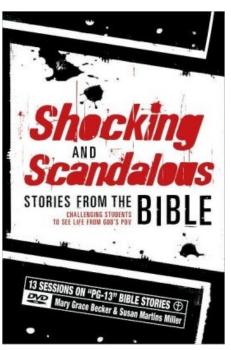
We offer engaging, compassionate, interactive experiences for preschool children. We have availability in the following programs. All programs are offered from: 9:15 AM – 12:15 PM.

- Early three year old classroom sessions meeting on Tuesday and Thursday.
 To be eligible for the early three's class, your child must be three between October 1, 2019 March 31, 2020.*
- Three year old classroom sessions meeting on Tuesday and Thursday
- Three year old classroom session meeting on Monday, Wednesday and Friday
- Pre Kindergarten Four year old session meeting on Monday Thursday
- Pre Kindergarten Four year old session meeting on Monday Friday
- Pre Kindergarten Five year old session meeting on Monday Friday
 Please register soon as enrollment is based on availability.

For more program information, registration requirements or to schedule a classroom visit please visit our website: https://fupcdc.org/information. Or contact Tiffany Ramsey at: 703.878.2366.

STUDENT









FUPCDC Student Ministries Calendar

Dates and Times:		Event:	Meal: (Yes or No)	Cost:	Bring:
3/3	5-7 PM	Youth Party and Info Session with	Yes	FREE	A friend or two!
		Pastor Adam and Sam			
Wed. 3/6	6-7 PM	Fundraiser: Help Serve the Wed. Night Alive Meal	Yes	Donation	N/A
3/10	6-8 PM	Bread Sunday @ Parris' House {Meal & Shocking PG-13 Bible Study} (5876 Fincastle Dr., Manassas, VA 20112)	YES	\$3	Bible, snack, drink
Wed. 3/13	6-7 PM	Fundraiser: Help Serve the Wed. Night Alive Meal	Yes	Donation	N/A
3/17	6-8 PM	Bowling Night with Pastor Bowling!	NO (snacks)	\$8	Wear socks!
Wed. 3/20	6-7 PM	Fundraiser: Help Serve the Wed. Night Alive Meal	Yes	Donation	N/A
Sat. 3/23 4:30 PM till 10:00 PM		Dinner & Just Give Me Jesus Tour	YES	\$12	A coat
		(Worship Concert)			
3/24		No PM Youth	N/A	N/A	N/A
Wed. 3/27	6-7 PM	Fundraiser: Help Serve the Wed. Night Alive Meal	Yes	Donation	N/A
3/31	6-8 PM	College Care Package Night	YES	\$3	Items for Care Packages
Wed. 4/3	6-7 PM	Fundraiser: Help Serve the Wed. Night Alive Meal	Yes	Donation	N/A
4/7	5-8 PM	LASER TAG TRIP	TBD	TBD	TBD
Wed. 4/10	6-7 PM	Fundraiser: Help Serve the Wed. Night Alive Meal	Yes	Donation	N/A
4/14	9:45 AM	Help Children with Palm Sunday Processional	8:30 Breakfast	N/A	Dish to share
4/14	6-8 PM	Bread Sunday @ Gilbert's House {Meal & Shocking PG-13 Bible Study} (4242 Wiltshire Place, Dumfries, VA 22025)	YES	\$3	Bible, snack, drink
Sat. 4/20 8:30 AM – 1	L PM	Mission Project at ACTS	Yes	\$3	Coat, water bottle
4/21		No PM Youth (Easter Sunday)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sat. 4/27	•	RISE AGAINST HUNGER	TBD	TBD	TBD

Spring 2019

FUPCDC Student Ministries Calendar

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4/28	No PM Youth (Rise Against Hunger Weekend)	N/A	N/A	N/A
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	(15216 Warbler Court, Woodbridge, VA 22193)			
5/12	No PM Youth (Mother's Day)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sat. 5/18	Relay for Life Event	TBD	TBD	TBD
5/19	No PM Youth (Relay for Life Weekend)	N/A	N/A	N/A
5/26 5-8 PI	Dinner & Movie Night	Yes	\$2	Snack or Drink
6/2 6-8 PI	M Bread Sunday @ Albrecht's {Meal & Shocking PG-13 Bible Study} (15200 Eclipse Dr., Manassas, VA 20112)	YES	\$3	Bible, snack, drink
6/8 TBD	Youth Lake Party	TBD	TBD	TBD
6/9	No PM Youth (Lake Party Weekend)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sat. 6/22 TBD	KINGSFEST at Kings Dominion!	TBD	TBD	TBD
Mon. 6/17 – Fri. 6/	Volunteer for "Shipwrecked" Vacation	TBD	TBD	TBD
	Bible Camp			
Mon. 7/1 – Fri. 7/5	Volunteer for Lighthouse Drama Camp	TBD	TBD	TBD
Mon. 7/8 – Fri. 7/12 Volunteer for Lighthouse Drama Camp		TBD	TBD	TBD
Wed. 7/17 TBD	Washington D.C. Adventure Day	TBD	TBD	TBD
Sun. 8/4 – Fri. 8/9	Raleigh Youth Mission Trip	TBD	TBD	TBD

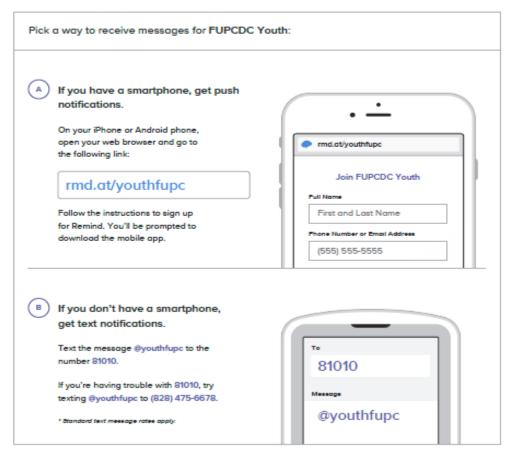
TEXT @youthfupc to 81010 to keep up with events!

Calendar subject to change as the Holy Spirit directs.



Sign up for important updates from Rev. Adam Bowling.

Get information for FUPCDC Youth right on your phone—not on handouts.



Don't have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/youthfupc on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.



FUPCDC Student Ministries Health and Permission Form

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Student Ministries

First United Presbyterian Student Ministries Trip to



At Christ Church (Fairfax Station, VA)

Saturday, March 23

4:30 PM – Meet at church for Pizza Dinner
5:00 PM – Leave FUPCDC for Worship Concert
6:00 PM – Doors Open for Worship Concert
10:00 PM – Estimated Time back at FUPCDC

Cost: \$12 per person*

Deadline: Sign up by Sunday, March 17

(Tickets are limited and go to participants in the order they sign up—we may run out!)



Instructions: Turn your form and payment (\$12) into the church office, Sam Parris, or Pastor Adam ASAP. Checks can be made out to "FUPCDC" and put "Youth: Unspoken Concert" on the memo line.

*Need-based Scholarships are available, just talk to Sam Parris or Pastor Adam. Don't let money be the reason you don't attend!

FUPCDC STUDENT MINISTRIES UNSPOKEN "JUST GIVE ME JESUS" WORSHIP CONCERT REGISTRATION FORM

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Worship Music Team

Attention Current and Interested Musicians:

Do you sing and/or play an instrument? FUPCDC 11 AM Worship team is looking for you! We are having a meeting in the Sanctuary at 6 PM on March 28th. Please come join us!

Contact Rebecca Anderson if you have any questions: AndersonClarinet@gmail.com



Chancel Choir



HEAR YE! HEAR YE! WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE CHANCEL CHOIR?

We are looking for new voices to add to our choir. Please consider joining this fun group of singers who sing at the 8:30 AM service.

CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSALS WEDNESDAY NIGHT, 7:00 PM

For more information email Dana Van Slyke at music@fupcdc.org

Wednesday Night Alive - March

6th - Potluck "Breakfast for Dinner"

13th - Pulled Pork

20th - Baked Beans

27th - Deli Sandwiches



Spreading the Warmth

Do you knit or crochet and like helping others? Then why not put these two things together and join our group who knit or crochet for our friends who are homeless.

We make hats and scarves throughout the year to be distributed during the cold months of the year. If you would like to join our group, please contact Elizabeth Glyer at lizglyer@gmail.com.



Jubilation HandBells

Jubilation Wants YOU!

"Jubilation" is our resident handbell choir at FUPCDC. It has a rich history going back 25+ years and still includes charter members Marla Dubois and Sara Porter. In the beginning, Jubilation was directed by Mary Jane Chervais, who also led a youth bell choir called "Celebration," and a youth/adult group called "Joyful Noise" with the help of Vicki Menke. There was also a chime choir led by Sara Porter that was for elementary school children.

Jubilation begins its season in September and runs through Music Sunday, which is May 19th this year. **We rehearse on Sunday evenings at 6:00 PM for an hour.** Every November the group attends the annual NOVA Handbell Festival at Centreville UMC, where we work up five pieces which are rehearsed by a nationally known handbell clinician. It's a fun weekend that the group looks forward to attending together.

Since Christmas, we have had three ringers leave for health reasons, and so we now find ourselves in the position of needing to find fresh new talent!

If you, or a member of your family, has had experience playing a musical instrument and can read music, perhaps you might like to give handbell ringing a try. You may have heard our Jubilation handbell choir play and wonder "how do they do that?" Unlike almost any other kind of instrumental music, the handbell ringer is responsible for only two notes (often "a line and a space" on the musical staff). With sharps and flats, that means each player typically plays only four bells.

On Sunday, March 31st, Jubilation will be holding a handbell "give it a try" session following both worship services. There will be a short presentation during the service, and then you will have the chance to come and try out bell ringing in a very casual environment, where you will learn a few of the basics and ring a few notes of your own. There is no obligation to join the group by coming to the "give it a try" session. Please give it some thought and prayer and check the Jubilation handbell choir out. We would love to have you! For more information please contact lke Evans, Jubilation director, at ikeevans@aol.com.





Jubilation HandBells



Bell Festival

Hand Bell Choir at Festival



Bell Layout



First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City trip to the



in Washington D.C.

Date: Monday, March 25, 2019

Meet at Church: 8:45 AM (Bus Departs at 9:00 AM)

Cost: \$50.00 per person (Due March 6, 2019)

(Cost includes: ticket to the Bible Museum, guided tour, charter bus transportation, and driver gratuity. Does not include lunch.)

Estimated Return to Church: 4:00 PM





About the Museum of the Bible:

Making its grand opening to the public in November 2017, Museum of the Bible's 430,000square-foot building is located just three blocks from the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. Museum of the Bible aims to be among the most technologically advanced and engaging museums in the world. Showcasing rare and fascinating artifacts spanning 3,500 years of history, the museum offers visitors an immersive and personalized experience with the Bible, and its ongoing impact on the world around us.

Learn more: https://www.museumofthebible.org





"Perhaps no other book has had more impact than the Bible. Discover the Bible's influence in many familiar though sometimes surprising places — often hidden in plain sight."





We hope you can join Pastor Adam and your FUPCDC friends March 25, 2019!





First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City Registration Form

Trip Date: March 25, 2019 Meet at FUPCDC: 8:45 AM (Bus departs at 9:00 AM with or without you.) Cost: \$50.00 per person (Make checks out to Brian Fulton - Brian's cell: 703-643-3534.) Included: Ticket to the Bible Museum, guided tour, charter bus transportation, and driver gratuity. Not Included: Lunch (The museum has a café and a restaurant.) Registration Deadline: Wednesday, March 6 (Forms & Money due) (2) Name: ______Phone: ____ (1) Email: (2) Email: Address: Cost: ____ people x \$50.00 = ____

Instructions: Please return this form and payment (make checks out to Brian Fulton) to the church office before March 6, 2019. You may also sign up at the registration table in the Narthex Welcome Center on Sunday, Feb. 24 or Sunday, March 3, 2019. Registration forms and payment are due no later than March 6, 2019. Space is limited! Sign up today!

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