# First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

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23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost November 13, 2022 8:30 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

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# WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

**WELCOME** Rev. Adam C. Bowling

#### MINISTRY IN ACTION

Properties Transport - Charlotte Stutlz

#### **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.

**PRELUDE** 

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship HOLY MANNA, Arr. William Moore Justin Streletz, Pianist

#### + CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 5)

But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house.

I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.

Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness because of my enemies;
make your way straight before me.

### + OPENING HYMN

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

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# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord, thank you for your abundant, abounding grace. Thank you that we don't have to earn a drop of the mighty river of grace that flows freely for us today. Thank you for the unexpected, unmerited favor you've showered on our lives. Help us put ourselves in the path of your love and grace. Help us not neglect the disciplines we need to meet with you regularly, and to drink from the water of life. Thank you for your rich love. In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

# CALL TO CONFESSION

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled against God. Let us then renounce our willfulness and seek God's mercy by confessing our sins in penitence and faith. . .

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on in our lives as if there was no God, and we fall short of being a credible witness for you. For these things we ask your forgiveness, and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts, so we may witness for you in our world. Remind us to be who you would have us to be, regardless of what we are doing, or who we are with. Hold us to you, and build our relationship with you and with those you have given us on earth. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

# **ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (Ephesians 1:7)

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace. . .

Friends hear and believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

#### + 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.)

# WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Rev. Adam C. Bowling

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Isaiah 65:17-25 NRSV

For I am about to create new heavens

and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

<sup>18</sup> But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating,

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight.

<sup>19</sup> I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress.

<sup>20</sup> No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days or an old person who does not live out a lifetime,

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

<sup>21</sup> They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

<sup>22</sup> They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat,

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

<sup>23</sup> They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—and their descendants as well.

<sup>24</sup> Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, but the serpent—its food shall be dust!
The wolf and the lamb shall feed together;

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Above All
Parker Bowling, Soloist

Lenny LeBlanc, Paul Baloche (CCLI# 2672885)

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 21:5-19 NRSV

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, <sup>6</sup> "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>7</sup>They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" <sup>8</sup>And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup> "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup> there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup> "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup> This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup> So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, <sup>15</sup> for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup> You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup> You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup> But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup> By your endurance you will gain your souls.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** 

Beyond Your Imagination

Pastor Michael Slayter

# 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 right outside the sanctuary. For those worshiping online, please email Pastor Adam at <u>adam.bowling@fupcdc.org</u>. Know that ALL are welcome in this place!)

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+ HYMN OF RESPONSE

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

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#### 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

God is Working Justin Streletz, Pianist Richard Blake

+ 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

Loving God, thank you that you can satisfy our every desire and need. Your word says that we should give honor to you with the first fruits of our wealth. Accept our tithes and offerings as a gift of worship to you. Multiply what we give for the effective growth of your kingdom. May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith so that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may have the strength to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. May we be filled with all the fullness of God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

Amen.

# WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

+ HYMN

My Soul Cries Out With a Joyful Shout

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Pastor Michael Slayter

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long

+ POSTLUDE

Amazing Grace
Justin Streletz, Pianist

NEW BRITAIN, Arr. Mary McDonald

+ Please stand, in body or in spirit.

# **Worship Notes**

\* WELCOME! Whether 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.

\* WORSHIP ASSISTANTS: Douglas Randles (8:30)

Morelle Fokwa (11:00)

\* FLOWERS are given by Becky George in loving memory of Bruce George.

# 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 <a href="https://fupcdc.org">https://fupcdc.org</a>.
- \* 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

- **WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE MEAL:** Please join us for Soup, Salad, and Dessert (Pat Manalio and Betsy Gilbert) on **Wednesday, November 16, 6:00 7:00 PM** for dinner at the church. **Please contact Betsy Gilbert at** <u>betsy.gilbert24@gmail.com</u> if you have questions.
- HORIZONS LADIES' BIBLE STUDY: The Horizons Bible study, Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight, meets at the church on the second Monday of the month, at 9:30 AM, September through June. We are in-person and on Zoom (information by request) for our lessons. All are welcome; we unpack the scripture and lesson together with the help of a video by the author of the study. Our next meeting is November 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM in Room 22. Contact Sara Porter, saraporter@comcast.net, for more information.
- **♦ 252 KIDS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:** We meet on Sundays at 9:45 AM. For more information contact Erin Bowling at erinkbowling@gmail.com.
- BIBLE BUDDIES: We will begin our new Bible study on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, The Angels of Christmas: Hearing God's Voice in Advent by Susan Robb. The book may be purchased on Amazon or your bookstore of choice. This study will be from November 28<sup>th</sup> to December 19<sup>th</sup>.
- **DALE CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND FUPCDC PARTNERSHIP:** We are planning to help fill a pantry with food staples for distribution to students identified by guidance and social workers at the school. We are seeking contributions to the pantry from the congregation from **November 13**<sup>th</sup> **to November 27**<sup>th</sup>. See the Thursday News for a list of the items. Please place your items in the ACTS pantry located in the closet area. Thanking you in advance for your generous support.
- **PIES:** Pie Pick up is Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 6:00 PM in the Narthex Welcome center. Thank you for supporting our Mission activities.
- \* PASTOR'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM in Room 22 or via Zoom for a Bible Study called "Prepare The Way For The Lord" by Adam Hamilton.
- \* ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Please join at 9:45 AM in Rooms 23, 25 and 27 (Triple Room) for our Bible study using the book, Words of Life, Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today by Adam Hamilton.
- \* HOLY FITNESS: Come join us on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 10:30 AM in the Triple Room. The goal of Holy Fitness is to help aging adults with moving and maintain an independent lifestyle. The exercises are designed to improve strength, endurance,

coordination, and balance. Minimum age for participation is 55. If you are interested in the program, please contact Fred Menke, fhmenke@verizon.net or the church office.

# Student Ministry News

- **†** YOUTH BREAD SUNDAY: Come join us for a meal on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM at the Gilbert's house, 4242 Wiltshire Place, Dumfries.
- \* YOUTH CALENDARS: Youth calendars are now available online and in the Welcome Center.
- \* STUDENT MINISTRY EMAILS: Sign up to receive Student Ministry emails. Ask Pastor Adam how to do this, or go to the FUPCDC website.
- \* TEXT MESSAGES: Sign up for Text Messages: Text @youthfupc to 81010.

# Joys and Concerns

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

- Doug Godfrey
- \* Marieann R.
- \* Jenny N.
- \* R. Rizzo
- \* Kath Purcell
- \* Baby Louisa Wolstenholme
- \* Marjorie Lawrence
- \* Jason, Azena, Mikhail Corbin
- \* Lee and Giselle Watenpaugh

- \* Bill and Laura Parris \*
- \* Amanda Peck
- \* Pat Greenhalgh
- \* Keith Peterman
- \* Reith Leterman
- Debbie Niederriter
- Tommy and Deb
- Sandra D'Imperio
- Frank Coniglio
- Nancy Hoagland

- Cherie Sankey
- \* Mark Stewart
  - Andy Stewart
- \* Alex Martin
- \* Nancy Lanza
- \* Amanda
- \* Baby Raphael
  - Tanya

- \* Leigh Anderson
- \* Linda Ford
- \* Norman Cox
- \* Nate Johnson
- Ann Randles
- Rick Bockes
- \* Norman Cobb
- Jeannine Menzie
- Deborah Folly
- Congregational love and sympathy are extended to Edna Addo and family at the death of her mom, Grace Ofosu-Addo, on Thursday, October 27, 2022. Grace went from the land of the dying to the land of the living. Please lift Edna and Regina and the entire family up in prayer at this time.

The viewing will be on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at Mountcastle Turch Funeral Home, Dale City Blvd., Woodbridge, 6:00-8:00 PM. The family will receive friends at FUPCDC on Saturday, November 19, 2022 from 9:00 AM until the time of the Service of Witness to the Resurrection and Thanksgiving for the Life of Grace at 11:00 AM. Interment will follow at Woodbine Cemetery, 12914 Canova Road, Manassas, VA 20112 at the 1 PM. A reception will be held at 1:30 PM in the Triple Room at FUPCDC.

#### All those serving in our military who are stationed away from home, including from our church:

- \* Kelsey Gibson (Affiliate Member of FUPCDC)
- **†** Elizabeth Batista (Ana Batista Caporaletti's daughter)
- **†** David Cornelius, Jr. (Debbie Cornelius' son)

# The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- 🕆 First Presbyterian Church of Annandale Annandale, VA
- 🕆 First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City Woodbridge, VA

#### SESSION

Cathy Albrecht ('23) ······	
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# MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

Pat Manalio (Interim) — Administration — Mike Slayter — Congregational Care — Charlotte Stultz — Evangelism & Outreach — Betsy Gilbert — Fellowship — Curt Hoagland — Growing in Faith — Pam Cox — Mission — Mike Gundel — Property — Dennis Dingle — Stewardship & Finance — Martin Andrews — Worship — Morship — Martin Andrews — Morship — Martin Mike — Martin — Mart	703-670-4648 703-494-8367 703-670-4949 703-380-3819 703-441-6319 301-767-5030 703-583-9689
Rev. Adam C. Bowling Moderator	

# Calendar November 13 - 20, 2022

	252 Kids Children's Ministry Worship - Contemporary Property Ministry Team	10:30 AM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	,
MONDAY, I	November 14	8:00 PM	FUPCDC Praise Team
9:30 AM 10:30 AM 11:00 AM 1:00 PM 6:00 PM 8:30 PM	Horizons Bible Study Holy Fitness Bel Air Woman's Club Board Meetin Personnel Committee Girl Scout Unit 80-5 Production Meeting - Google Meet	3:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Y, November 17 Prayer and Praise Small Group Cub Scout Pack 289- 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade ASM Troop 964 Earth Care Committee Ministry Team Leaders Meeting
	November 15	8:00 PM	AA Support Group
8:30 AM 1:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	TOPS Al-Anon Cub Scout Pack 289 - Wolf Den National Capital Presbytery Meeting via Zoom Congregational Care	10:30 AM	ovember 18 Holy Fitness PM Viewing and Receive Friends of Grace Ofosu-Addo at Mountcastle Turch Funeral Home
7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM 7:30 PM	Ministry Team Boy Scout Troop 964 B Boy Scout Troop 964 G Girl Scout Troop 226 AA Bull Run Troubadours	9:00 AM	Grace Ofosu-Addo Visitaton at FUPCDC Service of Witness to the Resurrection and Thanksgiving for the Life of Grace Interment at Woodbine Cemetery Reception at FUPCDC
		8:30 AM 9:45 AM 9:45 AM	November 20 Worship - Traditional Bible Study (Adult/Youth) 252 Kids Children's Ministry Worship - Contemporary Reception for Becca and Chris

2:00 PM

5:00 PM

Anderson

**FUPCDC Praise Team** 

Youth - Bread Sunday at Gilbert's House

# First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, Woodbridge, VA

Ministers	
Pastor	·····Rev. Adam C. Bowling
Parish Assistant·····	····· Pastor Michael Slayter
Chancel Choir Director	····· Dana Van Slyke
Pianist/Organist·····	·····Justin Streletz
Contemporary Worship Directors	······ Becca and Chris Anderson
Young People's Choir Directors	······ Becca and Chris Anderson
Nursery Supervisor·····	····· Joann Paige
Sexton·····	····· Homer Detrich
Office Manager	····· Kim Parker

# **DEACONS**

Class of 2024

Class of 2025

Class of 2023

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Bob Albrecht	Agnes Fokwa	Debbie Cornelius	
Sandy Chamberlin	Helen Franchois	Claire Hoagland	
Claudia Cunningham	Nne Kalu	Mary Jones	
Pam Emert	Kathy McNeely	Mike Slayter	
Ellen Nuernberger			
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