

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City

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I Must Tell JESUS

Passion for Christ - Compassion for Others

Loving God - Loving Others

Connect - Grow - Serve

September 9, 2018

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM

The Rev. Jeri Fields

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+ Those who are able, please stand either with your bodies or in your hearts.

Bold print = congregational response

Childcare is available in the Nursery for infants and young children.

If you plan to use the Nursery, please sign in upon arrival.

SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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

Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho

Arr. Wilhelmi

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 4:6

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

+ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (-Psalm 95:1-2^{NIV}) (Please stand, as you are able.)

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song.

+ **SONG** (Led by Bill Ediage)

Prayer is the Key

WELCOME (Please be seated.)

MINISTRY IN ACTION

✝ Adult Christian Education

✝ Building and Grounds

+ **AFFIRMING WHAT WE BELIEVE** (from A Brief Statement of Faith) (Please stand.)

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

+ **OPENING SONGS** (Please be seated.) *Goin' Up Yonder*

Lead Me, Guide Me (GTG# 740)

Walter Hawkins

Akers, Smallwood

PRAYER *(Please be seated.)*

SCRIPTURE

Mark 11:24

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Cathlene Albrecht

(Children are invited forward. Afterwards children 4 and under may go to the Nursery.)

+ **AFFIRMING WHAT WE BELIEVE** *(from A Brief Statement of Faith) (Please stand.)*

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth,
exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.

Hearing their cry,

God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage.

Loving us still,

God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.

SCRIPTURE *(Please be seated.)*

James 5:16

ANTHEM

Yes, He Did!
Chancel Choir

J. Paul Williams and Lloyd Larson

PRAYER

+ **HYMN** *(GTG #839) (Please stand.) Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!*

ASSURANCE

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

Celebration of Friendship and Faithfulness

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads, indicating all family members who are present, including children in the Nursery.

Guests, we would appreciate it if you would give us some form of contact information, either in the Friendship Pad or at the Welcome Table in the back of the Sanctuary.

Pew envelopes in the Friendship Pad are for visitors. If you would like regular envelopes, please contact the Church Office.

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

Offertory

+ Response (*Please stand.*)

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 (*Please be seated.*)

ANTHEM

I Must Tell Jesus
Chancel Choir

Hoffman, Arr. Mark Hayes

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:12

+ **HYMN** (GTG #66) (*Please stand.*) *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

PENTECOST

+ **AFFIRMING WHAT WE BELIEVE** (*from A Brief Statement of Faith*)

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus! With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

+ **BENEDICTION** (*You are invited to join hands.*)

+ **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

All are invited to join us for food, fun, and fellowship at our Annual Church Picnic that immediately follows the worship service.

Worship Notes

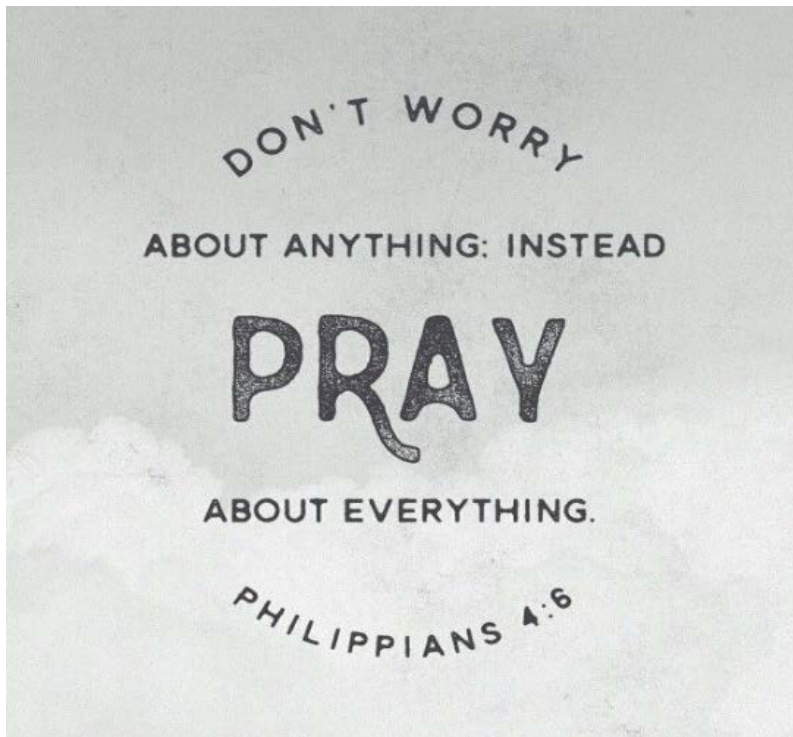
- * **WELCOME!** Whether new in the area, a resident of the community, or visiting, we are delighted you joined us in worship. Please fill out the card in the friendship register and bring it to the rear of the sanctuary after the service for a special gift. Visitors are encouraged to wear a visitor tag, found in the register, so that we may get to know you. To find out more about this church, please ask at the Welcome Table or call the Church Office.
- * **LITURGIST:** Bob Porter
- * **GREETERS:** Therese Same and Barbara Baker
- * **FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God.
- * **PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT** to ensure your electronic devices are silenced during the worship service, so that our special time with God will not be interrupted.
- * **SPECIAL SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE:**
 - Hearing Assistance Systems*at the sound station
 - Wheelchairs*in the office area storage room
 - Enlarged bulletins* contact Church Office
 - Rocking Chairs for parents with young children*..... in the back of church
- * **FUPCDC WEBSITE:** For detailed news and information, visit our church website at <https://fupcdc.org>.
- * **ATTENTION AMAZON SHOPPERS:** If you have not already done so, please designate FUPCDC as your favored charity by following these steps:
 1. Sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser.
 2. From your desktop, go to Your Account from the navigation at the top of any page, and then select the option to Change your Charity.
 3. Type in: First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City.
AmazonSmile: You Shop. We Give. Thank you for your support!
- * **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.

Ministry in Action

- ✚ **ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Two exciting classes are being offered beginning on **Sunday, September 16th** at **9:45 AM**. The first is a Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke. It will be taught by the team of Larry Greenslit and Bob Porter in the Triple Room and will run until June 2019. The second class is on Christian Caregiving. It will last for nine weeks. This offering will be taught by Pat Manalio, with periodic assistance from others, in Room 22.
- **GOSPEL OF LUKE:** The man we know as “Luke” was apparently a fabulous multi-tasker, besides being a doctor of medicine; he was a prolific writer (his two books, Luke and Acts, take up over 27% of the New Testament), and an evangelist who accompanied Paul on missionary journeys but was not afraid to disagree with him (or, to put it more gently, “offer a different perspective”)- who knows what else he did?
 - **THE CHRISTIAN CAREGIVING JOURNEY:** Through speakers, various texts and written material, the entire gamete of caring for older adults (parents, siblings, spouses, friends) is explored. Unique to this course is the study of the interaction between care giver and care receiver. Focus is also given to the care giver’s psyche. At each session, attendees will have the opportunity to share their stories, and gain perspective through questions.
- ✚ **FAIR SHARE:** This fall we are launching an exciting new series of sharing sessions called “Fair Share” led by speakers who impact our community (and beyond) in positive ways. Please join us, Saturdays, October 20th and November 10th, as we invite our congregation and local community to enjoy a casual Saturday evening learning about, interacting with, and appreciating people who consistently step out of their comfort zone to help others. A light dessert will be served.
- ✚ **MEN’S RETREAT:** Are you willing to spend four hours trying something totally different that may change your commitment to God and your faith? It’s fall and the Men’s Retreat is here! Come join us on Saturday, September 29th from 8 AM to 12 PM. Our theme is “Grow Your Faith”. Come be with other men of the congregation. Following a special continental breakfast, we will praise the Lord through song, bible study, testimony, and group interaction. The Apostle Paul encouraged us to “be strengthened in the faith” (Colossians 2:6-7). We look forward to seeing you there!
- ✚ **WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE:** Please join us for Wednesday Night Alive at **6 PM**. On **September 12th** the meal is **Herb-Stuffed Pork Roast**. Come join us for an evening of **FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, and FAITH**. Contact Jon or Gaylene Guest with any questions. Choir practice is at 7 PM. The Pastor’s Bible Study, “*Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi*”, will begin September 19th at 7 PM.
- * **NEW MEMBERS CLASS - FUPCDC 101:** There is a new member orientation class at **9:45 AM** in **Room 19**. Explore your faith, learn about Presbyterian history and beliefs, and understand how FUPCDC serves its congregation and community through worship, mission outreach, and church programs and activities. Meet new members of the church and other newcomers to this congregation. Child care is available for all classes. Please contact the Church Office at 703-670-7834 or Marti Hall at 703-626-2269, martihall@comcast.net.
- * **JOY QUESTIONNAIRE:** The JOY Questionnaires are located on the table in the Narthex. Please take a few minutes to jot down your response and drop it off in the basket labeled Stewardship

JOY Questionnaire. *Your* thoughts of JOY may be the church ministries (choirs, mission trips, banners, etc.) or staff or the physical church building; whatever brings *you* JOY. The Stewardship is looking forward to hearing from each of you as we prepare our journey of JOY.

- * **HORIZONS WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** We will begin on **Monday, September 10th** at **9:30 AM** in Room 22. Everyone is welcome. Bring your Bible and an inquiring mind. We will be studying God's Promises throughout the scriptures and working together to learn what God has promised His people. Books are \$11.00; please mark your check or envelope of cash with Adult C.E. book and place in the offering or the wall safe in the office hallway. Contact Sara Porter for more information , 703-670-8737 or saraporter@comcast.net .
- * **BIBLE BUDDIES:** We will start the study of "Who Is Jesus?" on Monday evening, **September 10th** from **7-9 PM** in Room 22. This is a cooperative Bible study where we learn together. The four gospels are the beginning sources as we look to see who the people of Jesus' day thought he is. Books are \$9.00; please mark your check or envelope of cash with Adult C.E. book and place in the offering or the wall safe in the office area. Contact Betty Matthews for more information, 703-791-4829 or betty-smatthews1@verizon.net .
- * **ADULT SUPPORT GROUP:** An adult support group is being formed to help those who have experienced a loss (i.e. loss of a loved one, a pet, job, relationship) and will encourage sharing thoughts, strengths, hope, and experiences. Opportunities will also be offered for various outings and activities. If you would like more information, please contact Patricia Whitman at 703-489-6476.



Joys and Concerns

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

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| ✝ Pastor Jeri | * Larry Kreider | * Pam Palisin | * Melinda McDaniel |
| ✝ Barbara Wilson | * Jean Peterman | * Rick Rainard | * Doris Littman |
| ✝ Connie McConnell | * Donna | * Mark Elliott | * Mark Levy |
| * Judith Beauchamp | * Caitlin Ritenour | * Nancy Markworth | * Jim Cole |
| * Karen Gundel | * Bland | * Sandy Chamberlin | * Craig Layton |
| * Leigh Anderson | * Jan Grundeman | * Sue Johnson | * Larry Menzie |
| | | * Stephen Addo | * Emmanuel Dankyi-Ankoma |

Remember our Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) as they prayerfully work through the PNC process.

All those grieving, including:

- ✝ The family of Lynne Wood, as they grieve her death. Lynne is Jim Engleright's cousin.
- ✝ The family of Emily Perry, as they grieve her death. Emily is Liz Porter Perry's mother-in-law. She died on August 31st.

Celebrations of joys with thanksgiving to God:

- * Prayers of thanksgiving for the birth of the Glycer's sixth grandchild, Jack Kincaid Glycer, born August 27th. Jack is the son of Peter and Liz's son, Chris and wife, Angie and brother to Chloe.

The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- ✝ Heritage Presbyterian Church - Alexandria, VA
- ✝ Hermon Presbyterian Church - Bethesda, MD

Calendar

September 9 - 16, 2018

SUNDAY, September 9

Gospel Sunday/Annual Church Picnic

10:00 AM Worship - one service
 12:15 PM Spread the Bread
 1:00 PM PNC
 1:00 PM Peace Church
 2:30 PM Bereaved Parents
 7:00 PM Pack Committee Meeting

MONDAY, September 10

9:30 AM Horizons Bible Study
 11:00 AM Holy Fitness
 6:30 PM Bel Air Woman's Club Officers
 7:00 PM Bible Buddies
 7:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 289
 7:00 PM Stewardship Committee
 7:00 PM Worship Committee

TUESDAY, September 11

8:45 AM TOPS
 1:00 PM AI-Anon
 4:30 PM Lessons

 6:45 PM Boy Scout Troop 964
 7:00 PM Congregational Connections
 7:30 PM AA 101

WEDNESDAY, September 12

11:00 AM Holy Fitness
 4:30 PM Piano/Organ Practice
 6:00 PM Communications Committee
 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Alive
 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
 7:00 PM RIF Meeting

THURSDAY, September 13

1:00 PM Compass 4-H
 3:00 PM Prayer and Praise
 6:00 PM Children's Choir
 7:00 PM Notes of Salvation
 7:30 PM Finance & Admin Committee
 8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, September 14

11:00 AM Holy Fitness

SATURDAY, September 15

8:30 AM Devotional Fitness

SUNDAY, September 16

8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
 9:45 AM Education Hour/Kidz Church
 9:45 AM New Member Class
 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
 11:00 AM Kidz Church
 12:15 PM Spread the Bread
 12:30 PM Children's Ministry Committee
 1:00 PM PNC
 1:00 PM Peace Church
 1:15 PM Building and Grounds Committee

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.¹

Class of 2018

Elizabeth Glycer
Marianna Gooding
Gaylene Guest
Pat Sheffield
Gretchen Snyder

Class of 2019

Gail Cobb
Claudia Cunningham
Mayra Drayer
Betty Matthews
Denise Parris

Class of 2020

Agnes Fokwa
Lisa Fortner
Kathy McNeely
Carol Schwalm
Celine Sonkwa

Gaylene Guest, *Co-Moderator*.....703-491-4006

Denise Parris, *Co-Moderator*.....703-730-3920

RULING ELDERS: THE MINISTRY OF DISCERNMENT & 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.²

See current ruling elders of FUPCDC on page 12 of bulletin.

¹ *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.

² *ibid.*, p. 60.

Rev. Jeri Fields
Pastor for Interim Ministry

Rev. Dr. Larry Greenslit
Parish Associate

Becca & Chris Anderson.....Contemporary Worship Co-Directors
Children's Choir Directors
Homer Detrich.....Sexton
Ike Evans.....Jubilation Handbell Director
Joann Paige.....Nursery Supervisor
Kim Parker.....Office Manager
Tiffany Ramsey Little Hands Preschool Director
Justin Streletz.....Accompanist
Dana Van Slyke Music Director

2018 SESSION

Peter Glycer ('20)*Adult Christian Education*.....703-590-0856
Jon Guest ('18)*Building & Grounds* 703-491-4006
Becky George ('18)*Children's Ministry*..... 571-264-9103
Debbie Boisvert ('19)*Communications* 703-489-7091
Betsy Gilbert ('19)*Congregational Connections*..... 703-670-4949
Tim Camus ('20) *Finance & Admin* 703-897-5131
Chris Martin ('19) *Information Technology*..... 585-455-8423
Jeff Cobb ('18)*Little Hands Preschool* 703-730-2946
Pam Cox ('20)*Mission & Outreach*..... 703-441-6319
Jennifer Casey ('19).....*Nominating* 703-915-6192
Norman Cobb ('18)*Personnel* 703-878-7317
Lora Nedimyer ('19)*Stewardship*.....703-680-5526
Cathy Albrecht ('18)*Worship*..... 703-670-8369
Sam Parris ('19)*Youth Ministry* 703-730-3920

Rev. Jeri Fields.....*Moderator*..... 703-501-8643
Sara Porter*Clerk of Session*..... 703-670-8737

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Church Office Hours: 10 AM – 2:30 PM, weekdays