

Morning Worship—August 27, 2017

12th Sunday after Pentecost

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. *Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, “Amen,” after hymns.*

PRELUDE “Domine Deus, Rex coelestis” Francois Couperin

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is here to receive our praise.

People: God is worthy of our adoration.

Leader: God is here to receive our confession.

People: God is near to the brokenhearted.

Leader: God is here to transform our minds and hearts.

People: Let us joyfully worship God.

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 525** “Here I Am, Lord”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, Ruler of the universe, You have given us commandments by which to live, and we have broken them again and again. Indeed, we have broken them so often that we are used to it. Forgive us, we pray and help us never to become accustomed to breaking Your law. Hear our prayer as we continue in silence.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In Christ,

People: we are forgiven.

Leader: With Christ,

People: we have hope of glory.

Leader: For Christ

People: we live gratefully to serve the Lord in the world.

Leader: In Christ, with Christ, for Christ

People: we have life. Thanks be to God!

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offering in Music

“Draw Me Close”

arr. Mark Hayes

Doxology 591

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Whitney Clarke

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, You promised never to break Your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, may we hear Your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to Your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

LESSONS (page 700/737) Matthew 24:1-14

SERMON “The End Is Near...Right?” Rev. Allen Thompson

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Hymnal Pg. 14) The Apostles’ Creed
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 388** “O Jesus, I Have Promised”

BENEDICTION 538 “Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing”

POSTLUDE “Doxology” arr. M. Drischner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We provide **nursery care** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and **Sunday School** for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

PASTORAL CONCERNS— Dominic Barbacci (Jay & Bunny Hayes’s Grandson) Martha Bell, Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller’s grandmother), Chuck Bolt, Lisa Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Bill Brown, Mary Bray (Jarrod Brown’s Aunt), Claire Campbell, John Cao, Nelson R. Clark, Judy Cox (Kristen Cox’s sister-in-law), Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Pauline Fitts, Betty Fitzgerald, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Christina Hermetz (Kelsey Thompson’s sister), Tim Hooker, Kathy Huggins, Kay Huggins (son-in-law of Thomas and Alice Saunders), Conner Jones, Doug Jones, Jana Keen and family, Angela Langford, Ruth Lawton, Larry Mann, Ruth Meadors, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, A. B. Motley, Debbie Perrin Neal, Rhoda Neal, Paul Patrick (Charlotte Lowther’s son-in-law), Nancy Poindexter (Jarrod Brown’s aunt), Judy Poythress (Mike Reynolds’ sister), Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberry, Tom West, Eddie White

ON THE MEND--(Praise & Gratitude for improved condition) Kevin Bailey, Martha Bell, Kelvin Gunn, Mike Lewis (Tom and Ava Barrett’s son-in-law), Grace Litzenberg, Erica Mann, Lee Norman, Mack Williams, John Rodgers (Jackson Weller’s Uncle), Russell Vandiver, Nultie Wiseman

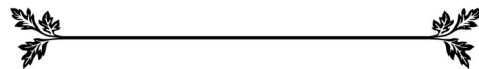
Good News Jail & Prison Ministry Walk-a-thon
Saturday Sept. 9 Registration starts at 9:30 a.m.
Walk begins at 10:15 a.m.
Walk Starts at 3rd Ave. Church
Hot Dog Lunch after Walk
Sponsor Sheets Available in
Church Office



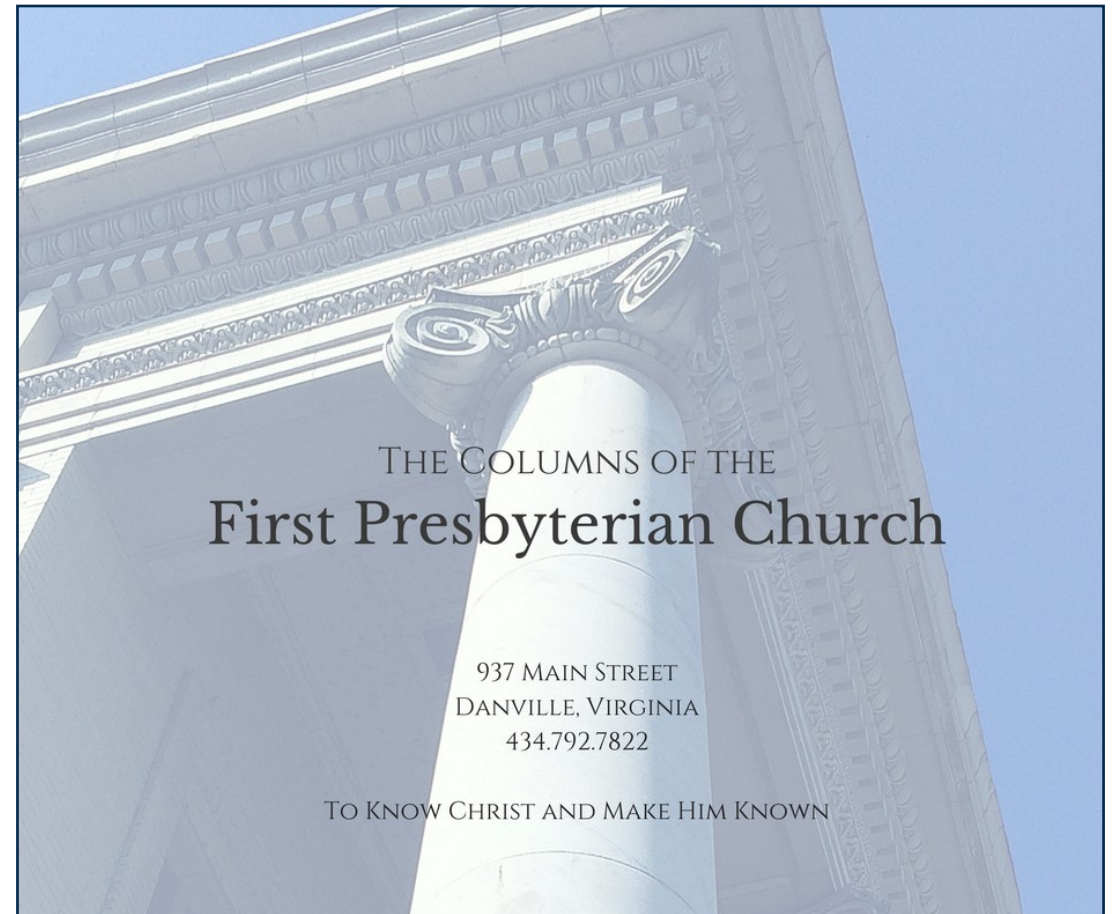
SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School	Harriet Beale
Children’s Sunday School	Rebecca Atkinson/Chris Moore
	Sara Weller/Jennifer Stowe
Elders at Front Door	B. Wilson
Friendship Period	Tom Barrett, Mike Reynolds
Deacon to Receive Offering	Susan Mathena
Officers to Count Offering	Barrett/Kyle
Church School Superintendent	Gail Davis
Liturgist	Gene Hayes
Communion	Gary Wimer/Ray Beale
Time for Young Disciples	Whitney Clarke
Sound System	Ray Beale
Ushers	Team 4
Flower Ministry	Youth
Weekend Custodian	Ron Tanner
Childcare Specialists	Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler
Saturday Lunch Ministry Sept. 2	G. Wimer/Women’s Circle

Join the Friends of the Old West End in a community seminar to help deter neighborhood crime. The program will be presented by **CPTED** –Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design and will help us not be a target for a burglar. Must Register online at <http://oldwestend.org/cpted>. Free - **Wednesday Aug.30 at 7:00 p.m.** In the Fellowship Hall



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TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

MONDAY, August 28

10 a.m. Staff Meeting
 6:30 p.m. Membership Committee

WEDNESDAY, August 30

6 p.m. Youth

THURSDAY, August 31

6 p.m. Open House - Day School

FRIDAY, September 1

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, September 2

10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study
 11:15 a.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, September 3

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
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 Mid & High School, Rm 112
 Outlook Class, Rm 322
 Bible Fellowship, Library
 Seekers, Rm 109
 11 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
 Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS