

Morning Worship—July 30, 2017

8th 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 “Prelude in Classic Style” Gordon Young

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us assemble together as the Church of Jesus Christ.

People: *Let us celebrate the triumph of grace,*

Leader: And give thanks for the generosity of love divine.

People: Let us joyfully worship God!

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 324** “Open My Eyes That I May See”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we know that we forget about You, we forget to love You, we forget to help our neighbors, we forget to thank You. Grant us clear minds to know You, new hearts to love You, strong hands to serve You. Help us live this day, this week, and always so that our whole life is a thanksgiving to You.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Sin enslaves us in self-destructive ways.

People: *But in Christ we are set free.*

Leader: Guilt chains us to a hurtful past.

People: *But in Christ we are liberated for a new future.*

Leader: Believe in the Good News!

People: *In Christ we are forgiven!*

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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 “We Declare Your Majesty” 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 Rev. Allen Thompson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Thompson

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 “Be Thou, My Vision” arr. R. Peek

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and Your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.

LESSONS (page 693/729) Matthew 15:1-20

SERMON “Getting the Rules Wrong” Rev. Thompson

***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 316** “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

BENEDICTION 604 “Song of Simeon”

POSTLUDE “The Angelus” Gordon Young

Song of Simeon

*Lord God, You now have set Your servant free
to go in peace as promised in Your word;
My eyes have seen the Savior, Christ the Lord,
Prepared by You for all the world to see,
To shine on nations trapped in darkest night,
The glory of Your people, and their light.*

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.

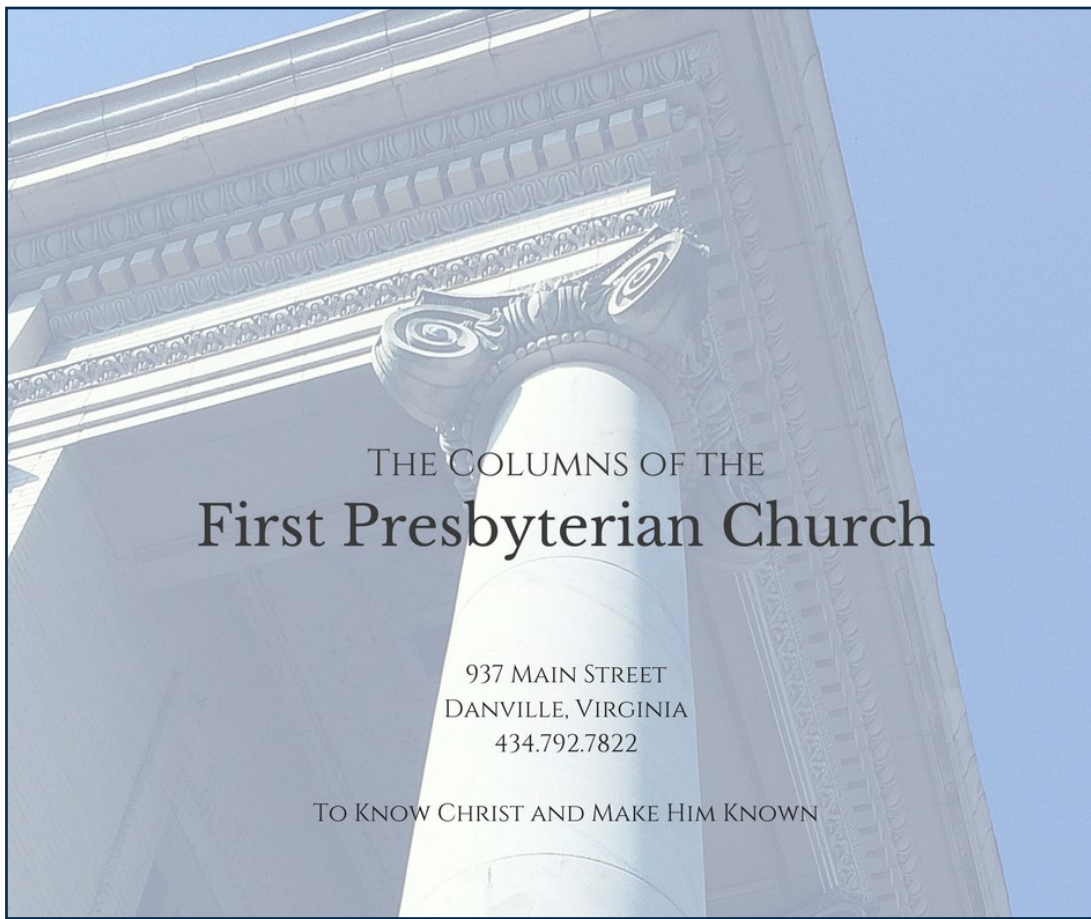
PASTORAL CONCERNS— Martha Bell, Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller’s grandmother), Chuck Bolt, Lisa Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Bill Brown, Mary Bray (Jarrod Brown’s Aunt), Claire Campbell, John Cao, Nelson R. Clark, Judy Cox (Kristen Cox’s sister-in-law), Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Pauline Fitts, 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), John Rodgers (Jackson Weller’s Uncle), Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberry, Corbet and Emily Weller, Tom West

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, Russell Vandiver



Sunday School Rally Day Breakfast will take place August 6 at 9:30 a.m. in Overbey Fellowship Hall. All Sunday School classes are invited to attend. We will recognize and thank Sunday School teachers and promotion for students.

Back to School Commissioning Service Will take place on August 6 during the Morning Worship Service. We invite students to bring their backpacks as we commission them as Missionaries in their schools this year.

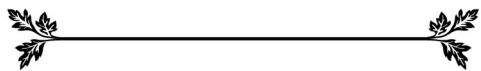
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SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School	Brenna Takata
Children’s Sunday School	Music
Elders at Front Door	David Zook
Friendship Period	Joan Reynolds, Marie-Louise Crane
Deacon to Receive Offering	Harriet Beale
Officers to Count Offering	Kile/Barrett
Church School Superintendent	Gail Davis
Liturgist	Jarrold Brown
Time for Young Disciples	Allen Thompson
Sound System	Dick Stoakley
Ushers	Team 4
Flower Ministry	Outlook Bible Class
Weekend Custodian	Ron Tanner
Childcare Specialists	Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler
Saturday Lunch Ministry Aug. 5	Eddie Blount, Jeanne Nostrandt



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**THIS WEEK AT
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**

MONDAY, July 31

10 a.m. Staff Meeting

TUESDAY, August 1

7 p.m. Property Committee

WEDNESDAY, August 2

6 p.m. Youth

THURSDAY, August 3

FRIDAY, August 4

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, August 5

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

SUNDAY, August 6

9:30 a.m. Sunday School Rally Day Breakfast
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School:
 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