



WILLIAMSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 28, 2024

PRAYER FOR PREPARATION

Triune God, shepherd of your people Israel, you provide for us far more than we expect or imagine possible. Calm our fears; speak peace to us; lead us beyond ourselves. Gather us with all the saints in the church to glorify you for your mighty deeds. We pray in the strong name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE GATHERING

PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

PASTORAL GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Elaine McBeth

PRELUDE

Andante

Mendelssohn

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: Your creation gives thanks to you, O God.

All: And we, your faithful, bless you.

Leader: We shall speak of the glory of your realm and tell of your power.

All: We shall let all people know your mighty deeds and glorious splendor.

*HYMN 634

To God Be the Glory

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*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold type face congregation participates in word or song.

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To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!
 2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
 and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
 but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

ADORATION

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

and give him the glory: great things he has done!

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Let us confess to our God, for the Lord is just in all God's ways and kind in all God's doings. The Lord is near to all who call, to all who call on God in truth.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God, you uphold those who are falling and raise up all who are bowed down. Therefore we confess our sins—both things we have done and things we have left undone—in every confidence that you will open your hands to us in an embrace of forgiveness and love. Amen.

A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

*KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy

Weaver



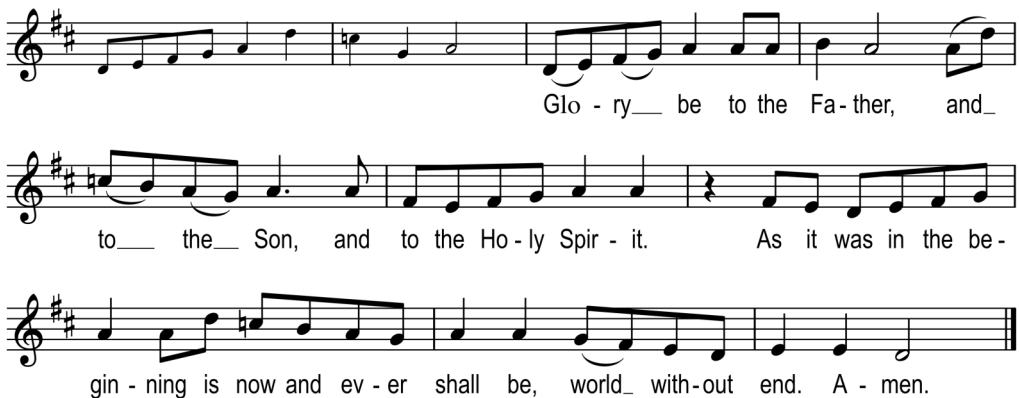
*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Dearly beloved, through the power of the Spirit that is at work within us God forgives our sins and strengthens our inner beings. So now live knowing the love of Christ, which surpasses all knowledge and fills us with the fullness of God.

*GLORIA

Glory Be to the Father

Weaver



(9:30) At this time any and all children through the 5th grade are invited to come forward for Sharing Faith with Children.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Holy God, may this your Word give us the power to comprehend, with all the saints, the length and width, the height and depth of the love of Christ and fullness of life in you. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: *John 6:5-14*

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

PSALM 145:10-18 (responsive)

Leader: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful shall bless you.

**All: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your power,**

Leader: to make known to all people your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

**All: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

Leader: The Lord is faithful in all his words
and gracious in all his deeds.

**All: The Lord upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.**

Leader: The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.

**All: You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.**

Leader: The Lord is just in all his ways
and kind in all his doings.

**All: The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.**

SECOND LESSON: *Ephesians 3:14-21*

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Sermon Series: *The Epistle to the Ephesians*
"May Christ Dwell in Your Hearts"

Pastor John E. Morgan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN 702**

Christ Be Beside

BUNESSAN

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: FROM A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH** (unison)

In life and in 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. 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.

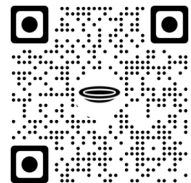
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

OFFERING

Thank you for your continued faithful stewardship to WPC. May our offerings continue to help us be the light for our neighbors and our siblings in Christ all over the world. Offering envelopes can be found inside the friendship register book. We invite you to make your offering or pledge payment in one of the following ways:

- Place your offering into the plates as you exit the sanctuary
- Visit mywpc.org/offering or scan the QR code at the right to give online
- Mail your offering to the church office at 215 Richmond Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

arr. Benjamin Harlan

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty.
Hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Fill me till I want no more,
Fill me till I want no more.

(Offertory continues on the next page.)

Christ Be Beside Me

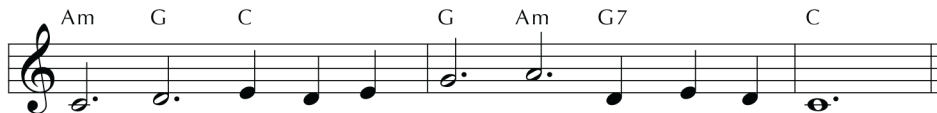
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1 Christ be be - side me; Christ be be - fore me; Christ be be -
 2 Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all a -
 3 Christ be in all hearts think - ing a - bout me; Christ be on



hind me, King of my heart. Christ be with - in me; Christ be be -
 round me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleep - ing, Christ in my
 all tongues tell - ing of me. Christ be the vi - sion in eyes that



low me; Christ be a - bove me, nev - er to part.
 sit - ting, Christ in my ris - ing, Light of my life.
 see me; in ears that hear me Christ ev - er be.

This text adapts part of a traditional Irish prayer associated with St. Patrick (see also no. 6). Such a prayer for protection is known as a *lorica*, from a Latin word for "breastplate" or "armor." It is set to a Gaelic melody that gained wide popularity in the 1970s.

TEXT: James Quinn, SJ, 1969
 MUSIC: Gaelic melody; arr. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985
 Music Arr. © 1987 Faith Alive Christian Resources

BUNESSAN
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Open now the crystal fountain,
 Whence the healing stream doth flow.
 Let the fire and cloudy pillar
 Lead me all my journey through.
 Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
 Be thou still my strength and shield,
 Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan
 Bid my anxious fears subside.
 Bear me through the swelling current.
 Land me safe on Canaan's side.
 Songs of praises, songs of praises,
 I will ever give to thee,
 I will ever give to thee.

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be-low; praise

God a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

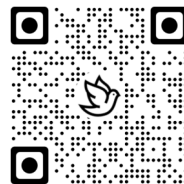
***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

GOING OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

*INVITATION AND THE LORD'S DAY GREETING

We are glad you are worshiping with us today. If you are joining us online, please remember to 'sign' our online friendship register:

- Click on the *Welcome to WPC!* Click here to sign the Friendship Register banner at the top of the website page
- Visit mywpc.org/friendship or scan the QR code at the right to access the online friendship register.



*HYMN 353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Allegro Maestoso" from Sonata II

Mendelssohn

The service of worship concludes after the postlude. The music can be enjoyed or used as an opportunity for prayer. You may remain seated; if you wish to depart, please do so quietly and without disturbing those who choose to stay.

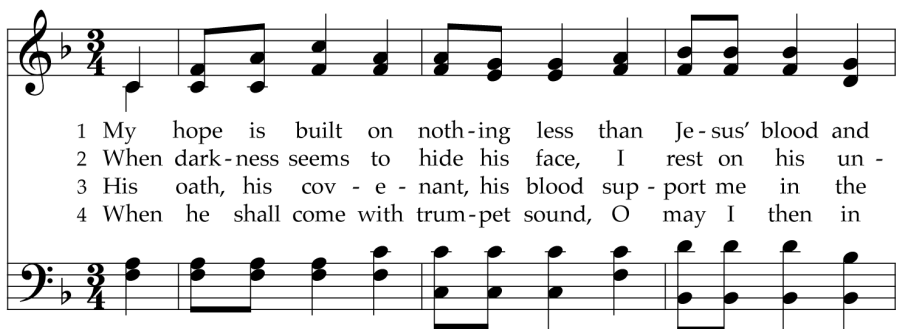
≈ NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC ≈

The text of "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" is rich with Biblical imagery. The verses all ask for God's leadership—of pilgrims through barren land, by the fire and cloudy pillar, and when we are at our earthly life's end—and each ends with a note of hope. The text was in 1762, and the tune in 1907, both by Welshmen. Arranger Benjamin Harlan is a composer, church musician, and advocate for congregational singing. He served over a dozen churches and on the faculty two seminaries.

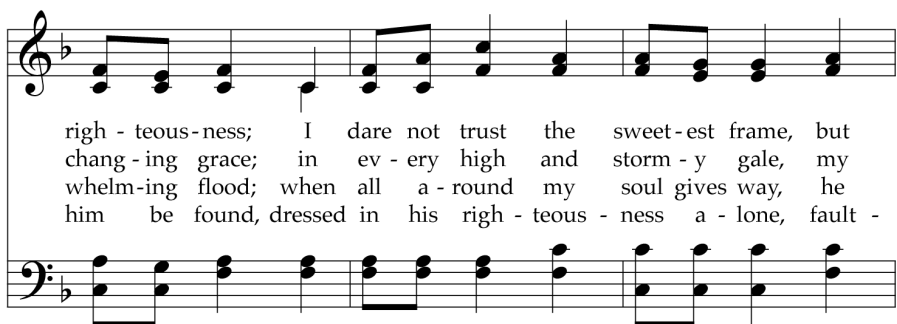
≈ THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ≈

The flowers are given today to the glory of God and in loving memory of her daughter, Colleen Louise Trimble by Pat Trimble.

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 353

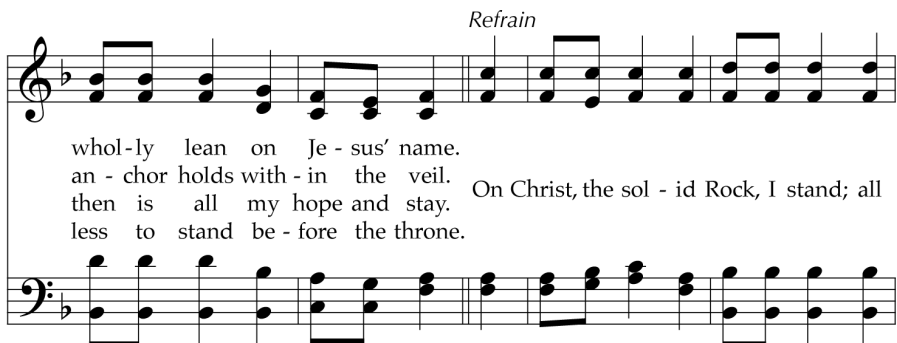


1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and
 2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un -
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in



righ - teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but
 chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my
 whelm-ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he
 him be found, dressed in his righ - teous - ness a - lone, fault -

Refrain



whol-ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; all
 then is all my hope and stay.
 less to stand be - fore the throne.



oth-er ground is sink-ing sand; all oth - er ground is sink-ing sand.

This hymn develops the imagery of Jesus' remark (Matthew 7:24-27/Luke 6:47-49) that those who believe in him and act on that belief are like someone who builds a house on a rock. The text is set to a tune created for it by a prolific 19th-century American composer and editor.

✧ **THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY** ✧

PASTOR

John E. Morgan, Pastor/Head of Staff

Pam Hrcir, Associate Pastor

MUSIC MINISTRY

Christopher Bechtler, Director of Music

Norman Elton, Organist and Assistant Director of Music

GREETER

9:30am Bill Riffer

11:00am Cheryl Roettger, Maxine Cunningham

USHERS

9:30am Nick Nicastro, Anne Nicastro, David Littell, Penny Coley

11:00am Gene D'Orsogna, Ellen D'Orsogna, Kirk Lovenbury, Judy Austin

LITURGIST

Elaine McBeth

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

Jim Kirkpatrick

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOST

Happy & Ralph Simmons, Ford Moseley

***WILLIAMSBURG LANDING USHERS**

Martha Jean and Jerry Howell

***WINDSOR MEADE USHER**

Paul Hotinger

AUDIO AND VIDEO TECHNICIANS: Jim Marshburn and John Schoenberger

*Satellite campuses

~ WPC Elders, Deacons & Staff ~

SESSION: CLASSES OF 2025, 2026, 2027

Moderator: John E. Morgan

Clerk of Session: Diane Schwarz

Administration: Faith Shartzter* (25), Sarah Houghland (25), Margie Newcomer (26), Larry Pulley (26)

Christian Education: Sallie McLain* (25), Kelly Kirkpatrick (26), JD Due* (26), Kathryn Hall (27)

Christian Outreach: * Jim Winthrop* (25), Joseph Kinard (27)

Communications: Ellen Peters (27)

Facilities: Dale Trowbridge* (25), Jerry Howell (26), Ric Cheston (27)

Resources: Elaine McBeth (25), Jay Eaton (26), Marc Moyers (27)

Worship: Becky Mckinley* (27)

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE:

Al Thomas* (25), Jim Austin (26), Joseph Kinard (26), Hank Vernon (25)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: CLASS OF 2024-25

Moderator: Jerry Howell*, Ric Cheston**, Roban Graham, Ellen D'Orsogna, Jay Hardy, Dave McLain, Bev Whitley

**Moderator*

***Second Chair*

BOARD OF DEACONS: CLASSES OF 2025, 2026, 2027

Moderator: Copper Perry (25) **Vice-Moderator:** Eric Beckhusen (26)

Pastoral Advisor: Pam Hrcir, Associate Pastor

Secretary: Jo Ann Youhas (25)

CARE TEAMS

Care Connections: Harold Herring (25), Jennifer LaDow (26), Lee Saxton (26), Suzanne Stuart (27)

Grief: Copper Perry (25), Bev Whitley (27)

Brookdale and Other Asst. Living: Robin Sabo (26)

Patriot's Colony: Sue Rennagel (25)

Williamsburg Landing: Doris Gilfillan(26), Carolyn Lodzieski (26)

Windsor Meade: Happy Simmons (25), Martha Burian (26)

MINISTRY TEAMS

Celebrations and Concerns: Sarah Horner (25), Laura Osman (27)

Christian Fellowship: Happy Simmons (25), Sue Rennagel (25), Sarah Dulaney (25), Jim Carey (27)

Flower Sharing: Laura Bechtler (25): Leigh Sutherland (26), Carol Thomas (26)

New Member: Deborah Rockafellow (25), Eric Beckhusen (26), Rodney Lawrence (27)

Memorial Receptions: Rebecca Caprio (26), Jo Ann Youhas (25), Karen Lauritzen (27), Julia Smith (27)

Memorial Services: Ford Mosely (27), Jack Lassiter (27), Kathy Chambers (27), Dave Littell (25)

STAFF

Pastoral Staff: John E. Morgan, Pastor/Head of Staff; Pam Hrcir, Covenant Pastor for Congregational Care

Program Staff: Melody Dillon, Director of Children and Family Ministries; Adrian Williams, Director of Youth, Campus, and Adult Ministries

Music Staff: Chris Bechtler, Director of Music; Norman Elton, Organist, Assistant Director of Music; Rebecca Elton, Carol Choir Director

Administrative Staff: Stephen Foster, Director of Finance and Administration; Vanessa Gamble, Church Secretary; Martha Reier, Administrative Assistant; Sherry Volk, Director of Communications; Barbara Walker, Accounting Assistant

Facility Staff: Elbert Fleming, Facility Manager; Hugh Jamerson, Sexton

Audio Booth: John Schoenberger, Technician

❧ SUPPORT FOR OUR MEMBERS ❧

- **In need of one-on-one prayer? Please look for a Stephen Minister in the Fellowship Hall or the church foyer after the morning services. They will find a private place to talk and pray with you. Just look for the blue Stephen Ministry name tags.**
- **Monthly grief support group** meets the first Wednesday of the month at 10am in room 220 on the second level. During this meeting we check in with one another and occasionally watch videos about a specific grief topic. All are welcome to attend.

❧ PRAYER CONCERNS, JOYS, & TOUCH NOTES ❧

To share a joy or concern, please visit www.mywpc.org, select GET CARE on the menu bar, then PRAYER REQUEST from the drop-down menu. Complete the form and click SEND REQUEST on the bottom of the form. Per your instructions, your request will be shared with our pastors, prayer chain or will be included in the worship bulletin. If the internet is not available to you, please call the church office (757) 229-4235 with your request. The Prayer Chain Coordinator is: Jo Ann Youhas (handbellringer2@gmail.com). Please notify Jo Ann when you would like to remove your name from the prayer chain.

If you are in need of a pastor after hours or on the weekend with an emergency request, please contact the Pastor-on-Call listed below for this week. To reach a Pastor during the week, please call the church office.

Sunday, July 28 – Saturday, August 3

Pastor John E. Morgan • jmorgan@mywpc.org • 757-903-7800

The WPC Family extends its deepest Christian sympathy and prayers to:

- The family of WPC member, Samuel “Sam” Bowlin, who died Saturday, July 20, 2024. A memorial service will be held in our sanctuary followed by a reception in Stevenson Hall on Saturday, August 10, 2024 at 1:00pm.
- The family of WPC member, Joan S. Boyd, who died Saturday, June 15, 2024 in West Grove, PA. A funeral service for Joan was held on Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at John M. Taylor Funeral Home in Annapolis, MD.

Please pray for:

- Clara Crumbly, Wolf Koenig, Nell Stowe, Doris Gilfillan, Carole McNeel, Ellie Thuermer, Stephen Custer
- Those who have recently lost loved ones, those recovering from various surgeries and our sick and shut-ins who are at home or facility bound.
- Those serving our country in the military services and their families.
- Those affected by the wars in Gaza, Israel and Ukraine.

⌘ CONGREAGATIONAL MEETING • SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2024 10:30AM ⌘

A Congregational Meeting of the Congregation for the purpose of electing Beverly (Bev) Whitley to the Nominating Committee, will be held on Sunday, August 11, 2024, between services.

All members of WPC are invited to attend.

⌘ ANNOUNCEMENTS ⌘

- Adrian Williams, Director of Youth, Campus and Adult Ministries is at the Montreat Conference with our high school youth.

- Our popular summer series, Music for Two, returns next Sunday, August 4, 2024, with a month of exciting duets featuring organist Norman Elton and a wide variety of guest musicians.** Each will be featured in worship throughout the month of August. **Invite a friend!**

This year, we welcome:

Sunday, August 4: Percussion and Piano - Ragtime music on xylophone with Levi Cull from the Langley Band.

Sunday, August 11: Piccolo and Organ - Modern, spritely music for piccolo/flute and organ with Yuna Langehennig from the Langley Band.

Sunday, August 18: Piano and Organ - Three beautiful hymn settings with Mark Romig on piano.

Sunday, August 25: Bassoon and Organ - A lovely sonata for an instrument that rarely gets center stage, with Thomas Scheider from the Richmond Symphony.

- **Are you seeking a way to more deeply serve and engage with WPC? Do you love kids and value faith formation and education?** Children's Ministries needs you! We are seeking Sunday School teachers for our youngest children for this school year. All curriculum is provided, along with all of the support, training, and resources that you could need. Please contact Melody Dillon with any questions or to express interest.
- **The Nomination Committee has commenced its task of identifying and proposing candidates for the Elder and Deacon Class of 2028.** To aid us in this effort, the committee welcomes input from those in the congregation. If you are interested in being considered as an Elder or Deacon candidate or would like to propose someone to be considered as a candidate, please submit your interest or suggestions by Monday, August 12, 2024. Submissions can either be emailed to the committee moderator Jerry Howell* or mailed to the church office, 215 Richmond Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

- **Family Listening Sessions:** WPC Families, please join our new Director of Children and Family Ministries, Melody Dillon, for listening and feedback sessions on August 15 for elementary school families and August 22 for middle school families. **Each session will begin at 5:00pm in room XXXX.** Share your thoughts and feedback on your experience at WPC so far, discuss your hopes and ideas for the future, and bring forward any concerns that you may have. Children, especially middle schoolers, are encouraged to attend and share their experiences! There will be pizza provided. Please RSVP via the link below before 8am the day of the meeting.

Sign Up Genius for August 15:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4DADAC2AA2FDC61-50405956-family>

Sign Up Genius for August 22:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4DADAC2AA2FDC61-50406105-family>

- **A new opportunity to show off your WPC “Spirit!”** New WPC car magnets are now available! Each magnet is 6” in diameter and the logo is full color. Please note that this is not a fundraiser for any ministry or group. If you would like to purchase a car magnet for \$4, please reach out to Jodie Davis* who is able to take venmo, cashapp, zelle, etc. or stop by the Church Office to pay with check or cash.
- **The WPC Book Club and the Earth Care Committee join together for the August book discussion.** In case you want to get started reading, the WPC Book Club has selected their book for a joint meeting with the Earth Care Committee on Monday, August 12, 2024, at 7pm (**please note evening time**) in Room 220 (and on Zoom) to discuss *The Hidden Life of Trees*, by Peter Wohlleben.
- **Save the Date for Day of Caring:** WPC’s Outreach Ministry is sponsoring a work day at the Grove Christian Outreach Center as part of the United Way Day of Caring on Friday, September 20. Please consider joining us to help our neighbors in need and put the date on your calendar.

***Contact information can be found in our online directory.**

You may also contact the church office at 757-229-4235.

More information about the events and announcements listed above can be found on our website at mywpc.org/news/ or on the church calendar.

☞ THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS ☞

SUNDAY, JULY 28

Montreat Youth Conference

9:30am In-person Worship / Sanctuary; Live-Stream Worship; visit mywpc.org to access

10:30am Fellowship Coffee Hour / Stevenson Hall

11:00am In-person Worship / Sanctuary; Broadcast on FM93.5 The Burg and AM740 or wmbgradio.com

Note: The nursery for our youngest set will be available during the 9:30am worship service through Labor Day Weekend! The nursery will not be open during the 11:00am service.

MONDAY, JULY 29

Montreat Youth Conference

8:30am WYO Summer Camp / Throughout WPC

1:00pm Caregiver Support Group / Rm 123

TUESDAY, JULY 30

Montreat Youth Conference

8:30am WYO Summer Camp / Throughout WPC

1:00pm Staff Meeting / Zoom

2:00pm From His Hand Motel Meals Prep / Kitchen

7:00pm AA Williamsburg Big Book Study / LL009 and LL049

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

Montreat Youth Conference

8:30am WYO Summer Camp / Throughout WPC

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

Montreat Youth Conference

8:30am WYO Summer Camp / Throughout WPC

9:00am Sanctuary Cleaning

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

Montreat Youth Conference

3:00pm Williamsburg Youth Orchestra Concert / Sanctuary

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

Montreat Youth Conference

☞ NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP ☞

August 4, 2024 • 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Pastor John begins a series on the Epistle to the Ephesians.

The sermon "*Live Worthy of your Calling*" will be based on Ephesians 4:1-16.