



WILLIAMSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 28, 2026

*Joyfully led by the Spirit,
We are revolutionary in our hope and love.
Welcoming all, we nurture and equip people to
Serve God and care for our community in the way of Jesus.*

PRAYER FOR PREPARATION

Steadfast God, you greet us as a loving parent and patiently love us beyond all measure. Great is your faithfulness. May we offer that same kindness to all whom we encounter, knowing it is Christ whom we greet as we welcome others. Amen.

THE GATHERING PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(9:30) Jason Chen
(11:00) Madeleine Chen

PRELUDE

Vacation Bible School
Trio on *We Gather Together*

(9:30)
(11:00) Dixon

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord,
All: and proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.
Leader: Your steadfast love endures forever.
All: Your faithfulness is as high as the heavens.
Leader: Happy are those who sing your praise
All: and extol your righteousness all the day.

Please rise in body or spirit. The people's responses are in **bold type**.



Our sanctuary is equipped with a T-coil hearing loop. Look for the blue sticker on the pews.

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C7 F C F B^b C Dm

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
 F C F Dm7 Gm C

safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
 Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm

how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
 Gm C F B^b

vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

Refrain

(D) (G) (F#7) (Bm) (Em) (Bm)
 F B^b A7 Dm Gm Dm

love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

(F#m) (Em) (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
 Am Gm F Gm C7 F B^b F

all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshipping community.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Let us confess our sins to God, whose loving-kindness endures forever.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O Lord, you taught us to love you and our neighbor, but we have not lived in right relationship or walked in the light of your love. Forgive us for the wrongs we have done; we know that the wages of sin is death. Yet we trust in your gift of forgiveness, which is freedom and life in Christ. Amen.

*A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

*KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy

Weaver



*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Sisters and brothers, your sins are forgiven by the mercy of Christ. Be at peace, for you have been freed from sin that you may serve with righteousness, to the glory and praise of God.

*GLORIA

Glory Be to the Father

Weaver

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and
to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it. As it was in the be -
gin - ning is now and ev - er shall be, world_ with-out end. A - men.

WEEKLY WONDERING QUESTION

Melody Dillon

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

(9:30) Jason Chen
(11:00) Madeline Chen

Loving God, as we hear your Word this day, send your Spirit to equip and inspire us, that your grace-filled hospitality may be the center of our lives. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Romans 6:12-23

(9:30) Jason Chen
(11:00) Madeline Chen

This is the Word of God for the people of God!
Thanks be to God!

PSALM 89:1-4, 15-18 (NRSV) (unison)

**I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.
I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.
You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn to my servant David:
'I will establish your descendants forever
and build your throne for all generations.' "**
**Happy are the people who know the festal shout,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance;
they exult in your name all day long
and extol your righteousness.
For you are the glory of their strength;
by your favor our horn is exalted.
For our shield belongs to the Lord,
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

SECOND LESSON: Matthew 10:40-42

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Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Welcome All"

Rev. John E. Morgan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 264

At the Name of Jesus

KING'S WESTON



1 At the name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,
 2 Hum - bled for a sea - son to re - ceive a name
 3 Bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,
 4 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,

(C) (G) (Am) (C) (Dm)
 F C Dm F Gm



ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;
 from the lips of sin - ners un - to whom he came,
 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,
 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;

(G) (Em) (Am) (G) (D) (G)
 C Am Dm C G C



'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord,
 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,
 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast,
 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,

(Am) (G) (Em) (Dm) (C) (G) (Am)
 Dm C Am Gm F C Dm



who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;
 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.
 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

This may well be a hymn based on a hymn, for scholars say that the passage behind it (Philippians 2:5–11), though not in the style of Greek poetry, shows traits of a communal creedal statement capable of being sung. It is set here to one of the composer's most sonorous tunes.

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

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.

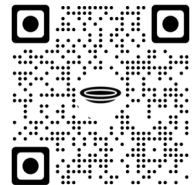
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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

O God, We Kneel Before Your Throne

Ruth Griffioen
arr. Bruce Brown

O God, we kneel before your throne
To honor you, whose name is known
To all your family by your love
On earth below and heaven above:

Refrain:

How wide, how long, how high, how deep
Is the love of Christ!

(Anthem continues on the next page.)

O Christ, we bow in faith to pray,
Come live within our hearts today;
And fill us till we overflow
With love surpassing all we know. (Refrain)

O Spirit, grace us with your power
So that our weakened faith may flower;
Come breathe your sacred harmony
That we with all your saints may see (Refrain)

Now to the One who can do more
Than we could dream of asking for,
Our joyful praises ever ring
As generations rise to sing: (Refrain)

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise

God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***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:

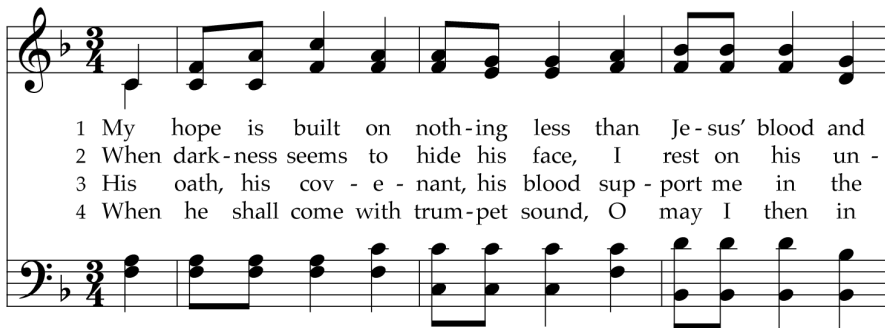
- Click on the *Welcome to WPC!* Click here to sign the Friendship Register banner at the top of the website page
- Visit mywpc.org/friendship or scan the QR code at the right to access the online friendship register.



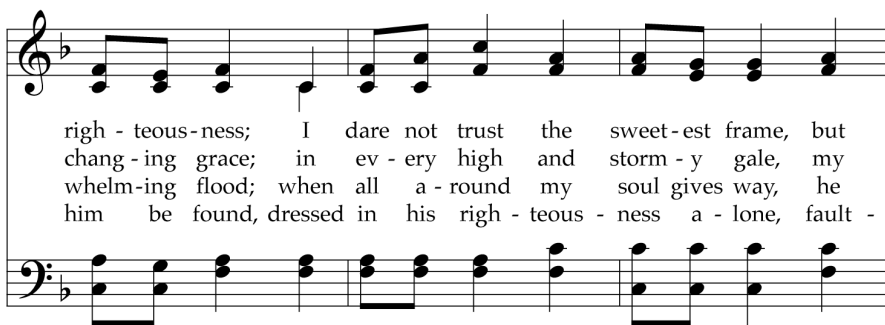
*HYMN 353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

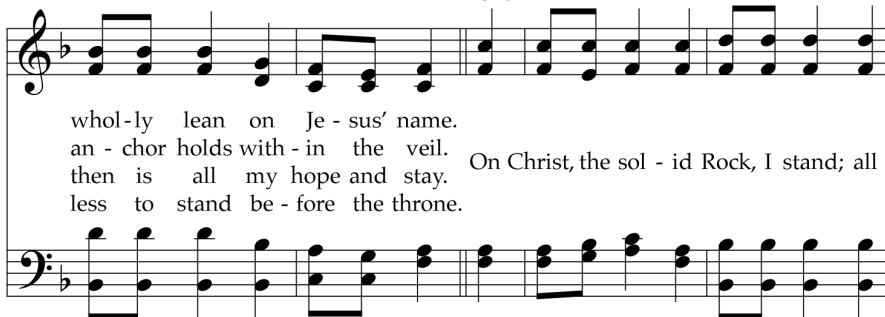


1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and
2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un -
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in



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.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord

Cherwien

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.

✧ INTRODUCING TO WORSHIP: WEEKLY WONDERING QUESTION ✧

In our effort to be an intentional and intergenerational church, we have implemented a new weekly worship practice called “**Weekly Wondering Question.**” During this time, you are encouraged to apply your own meaning to a faith concept from the sermon. You are invited to engage with the Weekly Wondering Question by either wondering silently to yourself, or by turning to your neighbor and having a quiet discussion.

We hope this new practice will help all ages to think differently about their faith and engage in non-judgmental curiosity. There is no “right” or “wrong” answer to these questions, so feel free to use your imagination! It is our prayer that this practice will help us live out our WPC purpose statement to be joyful, revolutionary, and welcoming as we seek to follow the way of Jesus.

✧ TODAY'S MUSIC NOTE ✧

“O God, We Kneel Before Your Throne” was composed by WPC member Ruth Griffioen. She wrote the text and tune for a hymn competition on the occasion of the 125th anniversary of Calvin College in 2001. The text won, but the committee had already hired a composer to write a tune for the text, so it was initially published with a different tune. Today’s anthem includes Ruth’s original text and tune, arranged for choir by Bruce Brown.

✧ THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ✧

The flowers are given today to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Robert G. and Betty J. Armstrong by her friends and family.

✧ THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY ✧

PASTORS

John E. Morgan, Pastor/Head of Staff

Pam Hrcir, Associate Pastor

MUSIC MINISTRY

WPC Vacation Bible School Participants under the direction of Rebecca Elton

Norman Elton, Organist and Assistant Director of Music

WPC Chancel Choir

LITURGIST

(9:30) Jason Chen

(11:00) Madeline Chen

GREETERS

9:30am Janie Cortina, Bill Riffer

11:00am Elizabeth Padgett, Rebecca Caprio

USHERS

9:30am Matt Underwood, Harley Stewart, John VanAken, Bruce Graham

11:00am Gene D'Orsogna, Ellen D'Orsogna, Ruth Cobb, Nancy Archibald

WEEKLY WONDERING QUESTION

Melody Dillon, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOST

Happy and Ralph Simmons, Julia Smith, Sarah Smith

***WILLIAMSBURG LANDING USHERS**

Martha Jean and Jerry Howell

***WINDSOR MEADE USHER**

Ray Whitney and Peter Moriarty

AUDIO AND VIDEO TECHNICIANS: Matt Slack and John Schoenberger

*Satellite campuses

☞ CHILDREN'S STATEMENT ☞

Children are welcome at WPC! The nursery for children ages 3 and below is only open during the 9:30am service until August. Sharing Faith with Children will be during our 9:30am service beginning this Sunday. We also have children's worship bags and sensory objects available to be borrowed while in the building. Please ask an usher if you need assistance in locating anything.

The way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to The Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know, and let us show them, that they are at home in this house of worship. Parents, feel free to sit near the front where children can see, explain the parts of the service to them, and invite them to learn by watching and copying. And relax, God put the wiggle in children, so don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

☞ YOUTH STATEMENT ☞

Sunday School and regular youth group activities are paused during the summer and will resume in September. If you would like more information about youth group summer trips and activities, please reach out to Melody Dillon.

☞ FAMILY STATEMENT ☞

WPC Family Sunday will resume in the fall at our 11am service. Thank you for supporting our monthly Family Sunday.

☞ T-LOOP ENABLED ☞



Did you know you can receive amplified sound in the Sanctuary with a t-loop enabled hearing aid? The "loop" signal is strongest in certain pews along the center aisle. Look for the blue symbol pictured here.

☞ 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.
- **The monthly grief group meets the first** Wednesday of the month, at 10am in room 227 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.
- **Caregivers Support Group** meets weekly Mondays at 1:00pm in room 222 on the second level.

∞ 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*.

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. During the week, please call the church office.

Pastor-on-Call

Pastor Pam Hrnrcir • phrnrcir@mywpc.org • 757-508-4668

Please pray for:

- Barbara Coughlan, Nell Stowe, and Gail Jamerson, wife of our sexton, Hugh Jamerson.

Please pray for those:

- Recovering from various surgeries, who are homebound; who have family and friend concerns, affected by fires and natural disasters, serving in the military services and their families; serving our country in leadership roles, experiencing homelessness and hunger; affected by the wars in Iran, Gaza, Israel, Sudan, and Ukraine.

🌀 ANNOUNCEMENTS 🌀

- Chris Bechtler, Director of Music, is spending time with family.
- **Vacation Bible School for children ages 4 years through 5th grade has concluded for the year.** Congratulations and heartfelt thanks to Melody Dillon, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries, and to the many dedicated volunteers whose time, energy, and love made this year's VBS such a wonderful success.

This morning, the children who attended Vacation Bible School will sing during the prelude at our 9:30a.m. worship service. We invite you to arrive a few minutes early to enjoy their joyful presentation and celebrate all they have learned.

- **Squares will be on vacation in July and August.** They will resume meeting in September. "Lord, thank you for the people who come across our path or Into our life for a reason, season, or lifetime."
- **A New Chapter for Our Church Library:** Thank you for your generous donations of books to our church library. We truly appreciate your support. At this time, we are unable to accept additional book donations while our newly formed Library Committee reorganizes and refreshes the library. The committee is working to organize the collection, clear storage areas, tidy the shelves, and make the library more welcoming and accessible for everyone.

Our weekly youth volunteer, *LaRue Burkey-Hundt*, has faithfully maintained the Children's Library section since March 2025 while volunteering alongside Vanessa Gamble, Church Secretary. We are grateful for her faithful, behind-the-scenes ministry and for the care and dedication she brings to this important part of our church's library.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to improve this wonderful resource for our church family.

Members of the newly formed Church Library Committee are *Eric Beckhusen, Sharon Del Custer, Cynthia McCraw, Bobbi Mendel, Donna Powell, Elaine Riggle.*

- **Free Bell Choir Concert: WPC is pleased to host the visiting Walsh Memorial Bell Choir from Morris Plains, New Jersey. Join us for a free handbell concert in our sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 1, 2026.** The concert will last approximately one hour and promises to be an enjoyable evening of beautiful music and inspiring performances. You, your family, and your friends are cordially invited to attend. This is a special event you won't want to miss! We look forward to seeing you there.
- **If you've ever thought of becoming part of Presbyterian Women (PW) or joining a PW Circle, the time is NOW.** Presbyterian Women (PW) invites all women to participate in this diverse, vibrant, and caring community of women dedicated to growing in faith and serving our neighbors in the way of Jesus. Our 2026-27 PW/Horizons Bible Study, United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other: Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, by Rev. Dr. Rhonda Mawhood Lee, begins in early September. Nine unique Circles, small groups of 8-20, meet together monthly, September-May, to study and nurture faith, support missions, and enjoy and care for each other.
Contact Gini Campbell*, Membership Chair, for more information and guidance on finding the Circle or niche most comfortable and convenient for you.

- **Assisi Pilgrimage with Pastor Pam (April 2027)** Travel to Assisi, Italy, to explore the lives of St. Francis and St. Clare, timeless witnesses to simple living, care for the poor, and joy in God's creation. Experience the beauty of this historic place while deepening your faith and sense of purpose. Learn more at mywpc.org/assisi. Contact Pastor Pam (phrncir@mywpc.org) with any questions.
- **Summer with the WPC Book Club: The WPC Book Club will gather for their informal "book chats" on tomorrow, Monday, June 29, and Monday, July 27, at 2 pm in Room 220.** Bring your favorite book (or whatever you're currently reading) and enjoy a free-wheeling conversation! In August we will hold a joint evening meeting with the Earth Care Committee on Monday, August 17, 2026, at 7:00p.m. in Room 220 (and on Zoom). We will discuss *Second Nature: A Gardener's Education*, by Michael Pollan.
- **Habitat for Humanity Fall Trip** - The Hunger and Homeless Team is planning the annual fall trip to the Eastern Shore to help with Habitat for Humanity's current home build. The dates for this year are Thursday October 8 thru Saturday October 10 2026. Space is limited. Contact Chuck Timko* via text, email or voice call ASAP to join the trip.
- **Summer Meals for Kids Returns: 9 years of supporting Williamsburg-James City County Public Schools students.** Once again, we are partnering with Williamsburg Community Chapel, Walnut Hills Baptist Church, and Williamsburg Baptist Church to prepare lunches for 300 children who receive meal assistance while school is in session. Lunches are prepared at the Meals on Wheels location at WISC, 5700 Warhill Trail. We begin at 8:20am and are finished by 11am. Our team is responsible for Wednesdays, June 17-August 19. Contributions of home-baked cookies for the lunches are welcome & a great outlet for your baking talents! **Learn more and sign up at mywpc.org/summer-meals.** Thanks for helping to serve those in need. Donate by making checks payable to Williamsburg Area Meals on Wheels (subject line—Summer Meals for Kids) P.O. Box 709, Williamsburg, VA 23187
- **The Virginia-based Foundation for Rehabilitation Equipment & Endowment (F.R.E.E.) collects, sanitizes, and gifts donated mobility equipment to low-income uninsured or under-insured adults in Virginia.** If you have gently used medical devices (e.g., crutches, bath and toilet aids, manual and powered wheelchairs, Hoyer lifts and other specialty equipment; NO walkers or canes, there are an abundance of those now) that you no longer need or hope never to again need, the Historic Triangle Rotary Club will pick up your donation for delivery to Williamsburg F.R.E.E. to arrange pickup, contact Joe DiNuzzo or Tom Bozek at contact.rctht@gmail.com to arrange a pick-up.

***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, JUNE 28

9:30am ONLY Nursery open during 9:30am worship service

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

11:00am In-person Worship / Sanctuary
Listen at FM93.5 The Burg.com

MONDAY, JUNE 29

1:00pm Caregiver Support Group Rm 222

2:00pm WPC Summer Book Club / Rm 220

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

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

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

10:00am Finding Hope Grief Support Group / Rm 227

7:00pm Walsh Memorial Bell Choir Concert / Sanctuary

THURSDAY, JULY 2

9:00am Sanctuary Cleaning

FRIDAY, JULY 3

SATURDAY, JULY 4 • HAPPY 4TH OF JULY

Church Office closed on Monday, July 6 for the Holiday.
Reopening on Tuesday, July 7.

☞ NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP ☞

JULY 5, 2026

Pastor John E. Morgan's sermon "All Who Are Weary"
will be based on Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30.