



WILLIAMSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 14, 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

O Holy God, revealed to us from the mountain, we give thanks and bless your name. Make us a holy community, lift us up on eagles' wings, and bring us to you. Speak and we will listen. Amen.

THE GATHERING PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

John Smith

PRELUDE

Jazz Prelude on *Just as I am*

Utterback

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: Worship the Lord with gladness!

All: We come into God's presence with singing.

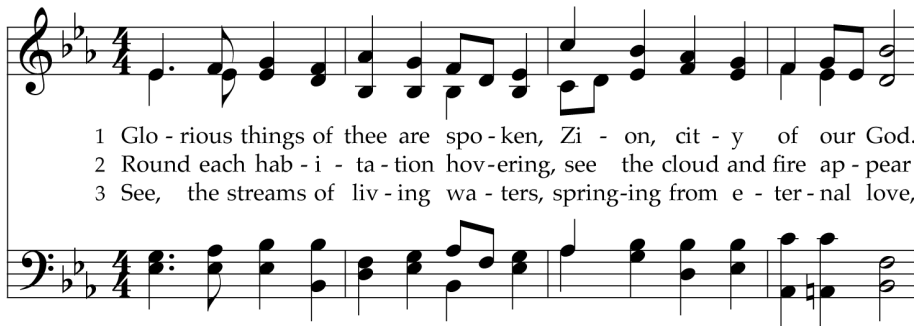
Leader: For the Lord our God is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

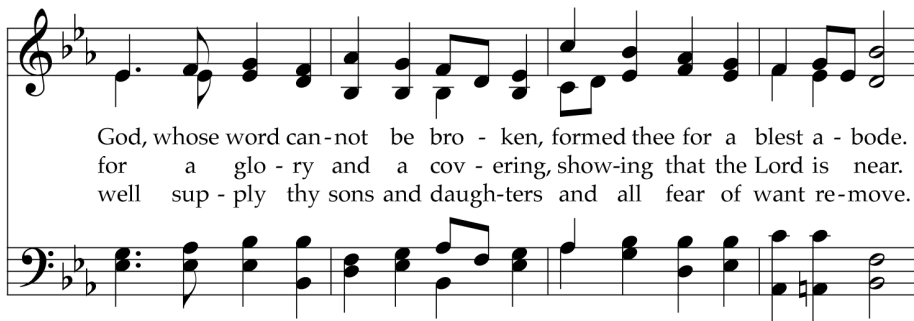
Please rise in body or spirit. The people's responses are in **bold type**.



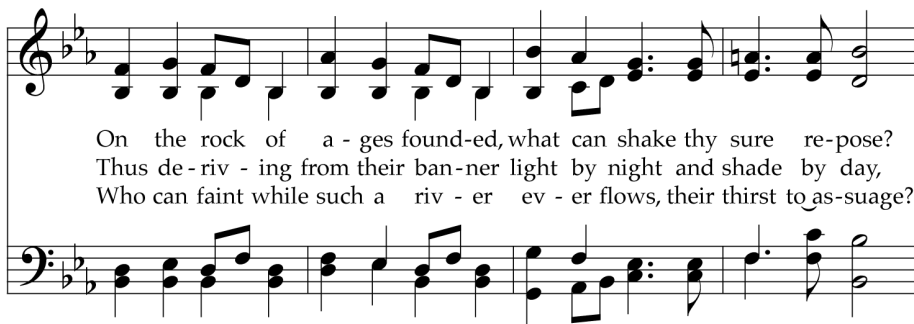
Our sanctuary is equipped with a T-coil hearing loop. Look for the blue sticker on the pews.



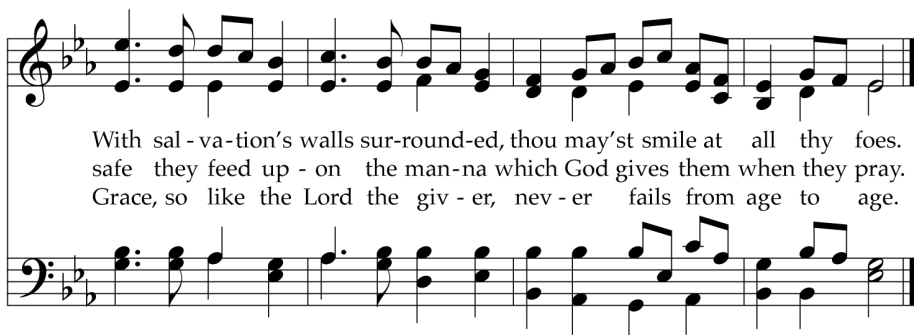
1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God.
 2 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 3 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,



God, whose word can - not be bro - ken, formed thee for a blest a - bode.
 for a glo - ry and a cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.



On the rock of a - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 Who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er flows, their thirst to as - suage?



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them when they pray.
 Grace, so like the Lord the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.

The Nazi appropriation of this tune for propoganda purposes has clouded a noble piece of music first associated with this text in 1889. In a 1779 collection, the author indicated that this hymn is primarily based on Isaiah 33:20–21 with allusions to several other passages.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Through our Lord Jesus Christ we have obtained access to the grace in which we stand.
With confidence in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Loving God, without your grace we are like sheep without a shepherd. Sometimes we are harassed by sin and feel helpless against its power. Sometimes, in our sin, we use our own power to harass the helpless. We are wolves in sheep's clothing, innocent as serpents and wise as doves. Forgive us, O Lord, and bring us home. Restore us to your flock and fold, we pray: through Jesus Christ our Good Shepherd, Amen.

*A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

*KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy

Weaver



*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Friends, God loves you. God wants to be in relationship with you. God allows nothing to come between you and God. Believe this and know that you are forgiven and freed to love and serve. Alleluia. Amen.

*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.

**(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)

John Smith

God of joy and wonder, breathe your Spirit upon us. Open our hearts and ears to hear these ancient words and be surprised. Open our minds and our eyes to see our place in your living word today and every day. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Romans 5:1-8

John Smith

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

PSALM 100 (NRSV) (unison)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**Serve the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.**

Know that the Lord is God.

**It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise.**

Give thanks to him; bless his name.

**For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever
and his faithfulness to all generations**

SECOND LESSON: Exodus 19:2-8a

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

SERMON “With Great Specialness Comes Great Responsibility”

Rev. Pam Hrcir

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 833

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

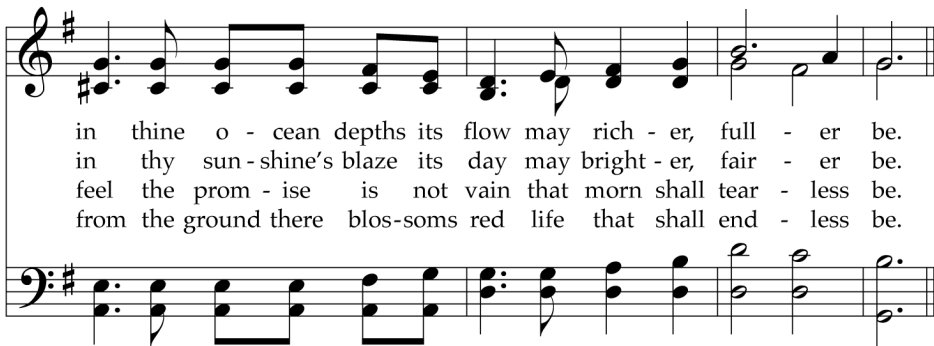
ST. MARGARET



1 O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my
2 O Light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my
3 O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not
4 O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not



wea - ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that
flick - ering torch to thee; my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, that
close my heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, and
ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and



in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.
in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.
feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.
from the ground there blos - soms red life that shall end - less be.

This intense hymn of commitment to God (addressed as Love, Light, and Joy) closes with an invocation of the ultimate testimony to those attributes (the Cross). The composer, a Scotsman, named this specially-composed tune for the 11th-century patroness of Scotland.

TEXT: George Matheson, 1881, alt.
MUSIC: Albert Lister Peace, 1884, alt.

ST. MARGARET
8.8.8.8.6

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: FROM THE CONFESSION OF BELHAR (unison)**

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ.

We believe that this unity can be established only in freedom and not under constraint; that the variety of spiritual gifts, backgrounds, convictions, languages and cultures are, by virtue of the reconciliation in Christ, opportunities for mutual service and enrichment within the one visible people of God.

We believe that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

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.

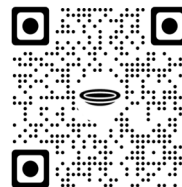
OFFERING TALK

Gini Campbell

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

Anthem to the Trinity

arr. Howard Helvey

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart.

This is my Father's world,

He shines in all that's fair.

This is my Father's world,

And to my listening ears

All nature sings

And 'round me rings

The music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world!

I rest me in the thought

Of rocks and trees,

Of skies and seas.

His hand the wonders wrought.

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature

O thou of God and man the Son!

Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,

Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown!

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart.

Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move.

Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,

And make me love thee as I ought to love.

Please stand and join the choir in singing the Doxology.

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDRETH

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.

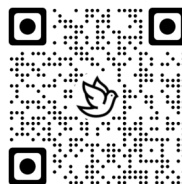
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er
 2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der and hear the
 3 And when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion and take me

all the *worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees, when I look down from
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then *I shall bow in

hear the *roll-ing thun-der, thy power through-out the
 loft-y moun-tain gran-deur and hear the brook and
 bur-den glad-ly bear-ing, he bled and died to
 hum-ble ad-o-ra-tion, and there pro-claim, "My

**Author's original words are "works," "mighty," and "shall I bow."*

(Hymn continues on the next page.)

This tuneful retelling of the salvation story began in Swedish and was translated into German and then into Russian before reaching its English form. Despite such linguistic and musical revisions, it continues to be a meaningful source of comfort to many people.

Refrain

u - ni - verse dis - played:
 feel the gen - tle breeze: Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to
 take a - way my sin:
 God, how great thou art!"

thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my

Sav - ior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Trompette Jubilante Penfield

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.

∞ THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ∞

The flowers are given today to the glory of God and in remembrance of their parents,
Lois & Joseph Loy and Cecilia & Ralph McGirk
by Kay & Jim Loy.

∞ THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY ∞

PASTOR

Pam Hrcir, Associate Pastor

MUSIC MINISTRY

Christopher Bechtler, Director of Music

Norman Elton, Organist and Assistant Director of Music

WPC Chancel Choir

PROGRAM STAFF

Melody Dillon, Director of Children and Family Ministries

LITURGIST

John Smith

GREETERS

9:30am Molly Lawrence, Bill Riffer

11:00am JD Due

USHERS

9:30am Matt Underwood, Tony Annoni, John VanAken, Bruce Graham

11:00am Bob Bolstad, Martha Jean Howell, Jerry Howell, Ric Cheston

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

Laura Bechtler

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOST

Steve Young, John Speigel, Jackie Speigel

***WILLIAMSBURG LANDING USHERS**

Bill & Janice McGuire, and William McGuire

***WINDSOR MEADE USHER**

Ray Whitney and Peter Moriarty

AUDIO AND VIDEO TECHNICIANS: Dick Sahlen 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 support group resumes meeting 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 • phrncir@mywpc.org • 757-508-4668

Joy:

- Thank you for your prayers! Happy to report that my brother Jimmy had surgery on Tuesday May 26th to remove a brain tumor. The surgery and post op period went very well. He was sent home on Friday the 29th, and continues to recover. There will be treatments (chemo/ Radiation) once pathology is completed, but he is doing well. Continued prayers for treatment options and strength. *Barb Timko*

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 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 ↻

- Pastor John is spending time with family.
- **Our VBS team is in need of a few decorating items!** If you have any of the following items that you are willing to let the CE team borrow from June 22-26, please contact Melody Dillon (mdillon@mywpc.org). Items needed: **faux Christmas trees (any size), white blankets, fake snow, winter sports equipment (snow board, skies, etc), lava lamps.** Thank you!
- **The Open Door Concert Series team seeks someone to write grant applications and prepare year-end reports.** Position available immediately. Experience nice but not necessary. Lots of coaching available. Contact Tom Bozek* or Norman Elton [nelton@mywpc.org] for more information.
- **WPC Food Drive • Saturday, June 13 • 10am – Noon** We are hosting a food drive to support Summer Meals for Kids in the WPC back parking lot. Just drive up, and a volunteer will take your donations! Request List: (*Please avoid items with nuts & peanut butter*) *Juice Boxes • Individual servings of granola bars, chips, pretzels, cheese crackers, fruit strips, raisins, Rice Krispie treats, cookies, etc. • Fruit Cups • Applesauce Cups or Pouches.*
If you're unable to attend the Food Drive, please consider using the Amazon Wishlist on the WPC website at mywpc.org/summer-meals. All items will be shipped directly to Meals on Wheels! Questions? Please contact Jim Winthrop*
- **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.
- **Vacation Bible School registration is open!** The theme this year is "Snowball Mountain Challenge." Registration is free and open to all. Find registration for children and for volunteers online at mywpc.org/vbs-camper and mywpc.org/vbs-volunteer. VBS is for all children aged 4 years through 5th grade and will take place from June 22-26. If you have any questions, please reach out to Melody Dillon (mdillon@mywpc.org).
- **Summer with the WPC Book Club: The WPC Book Club will gather for their informal "book chats" on 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 pm 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. For future announcements, add your name to the CO1-08: Habitat for Humanity group in the Shelby System.

- **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.
- **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 F.R.E.E. foundation collects, sanitizes, and gifts donated medical equipment to low-income, uninsured or under-insured adults in Virginia.** If you're ready to clear your closet of gently used medical devices (e.g., walkers, canes and crutches, bath and toilet aids, manual and powered wheelchairs, Hoyer lifts and other specialty equipment) that you expect to never need again, the Historic Triangle Rotary Club will pick up your donation gladly for delivery to Williamsburg F.R.E.E. A big "thank you" goes to T. McLain, Jo Ann Youhas, Karen Thuermer and Mike Hawley, Janet Spring and others for their donations. We're certain there is more gently used medical equipment out there that you no longer want. 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 14

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 15

1:00pm Caregiver Support Group Rm 222

TUESDAY, JUNE 16

1:00pm Staff Mtg / Zoom

2:00pm Stewardship Committee Meeting / Rm 220

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

7:00pm Administration Ministry / Rm 220

7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Rm

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

9:00am Sanctuary Cleaning

5:00pm Christian Outreach / LL010

5:30pm The All-American Alumni Band Concert / 412 N Boundary Street*
WPC Sanctuary backup location in case of rain.

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

8:00am The Music Post Concert Rehearsal / Sanctuary

9:00am What's Next Leadership Training / Stevenson Hall

4:00pm The Music Post Concert / Sanctuary*

***Concerts are free and all are welcome.**

☞ NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP ☞

JUNE 21, 2026

Pastor John E. Morgan's sermon "*Finding and Losing*"
will be based on Matthew 10:24-39.