



WILLIAMSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
COMMUNION SUNDAY • SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

Living the Revolutionary Way of Jesus
Love Radically • Serve Boldly • Live Courageously

PRAYER FOR PREPARATION

Almighty God, whose ways are far beyond our understanding, help us to trust your judgments so that we may do your will by loving you and one another. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

THE GATHERING
PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Nancy Hammond

PRELUDE

Aria Pastorella

Rathgerber

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: We gather as God's people:

All: To seek direction in the living of our lives.

Leader: We gather as God's people:

All: To be still and hear what God would have us do.

Leader: We gather as God's people:

All: To be renewed, restored and recreated.

Leader: We rejoice that we are God's people:

All: To serve, to love and to sing God's praise.

*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 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
 2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
 3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
 4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God, which shines on you to - day.
 pro - claim the cap - tives' lib - er - ty, good ti - dings to the poor.
 bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

Echoing imagery from Isaiah 61:1–2 and other passages, this text was created as an inclusive-language alternative to an older hymn using this late 19th-century tune. Because it is a song of encouragement rather than a song of praise, it is not directed to God but to people.

TEXT: Ruth Duck, 1974
 MUSIC: William H. Walter, 1894
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FESTAL SONG
 SM
 (this tune in a lower key, 815)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Amid the countless things that human beings cannot fully comprehend about God, there stands this: God so loves us as to bathe us with grace and feed us with mercy and forgive us our sins. Confident in the love of God, let us pray together.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord God, while we were still slaves to sin, you died for our salvation. Yet we still worship the false gods of the world, forgetting that you are Lord. Loving worldly wealth, we have not loved you with our whole heart nor loved our neighbors as ourselves. Trusting worldly strength, we have not trusted your word nor followed the Word-made-flesh. Forgiving by worldly norms, we have not shown mercy to others as you have shown mercy to us. Forgive us yet again, we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

*A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

*KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy

Schubert

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy;

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - - cy.

The musical score is for a Kyrie titled 'Lord, Have Mercy' by Franz Schubert. It is written in D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The score consists of two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (bass clef). The lyrics are: 'Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy;' and 'Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - - cy.' The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Friends, hear the good news of the gospel: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ. And Christ died for us; Christ rose for us; Christ reigns in power for us; Christ prays for us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*GLORIA

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI (Creatorex)

Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly

Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

WEEKLY WONDERING QUESTIONS

Melody Dillon

I wonder how you have loved your neighbors this week?

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Nancy Hammond

Holy Spirit, as your word is read and preached, pass among your gathered people, opening minds to increase understanding, opening hearts to bind us together in your love. In Jesus' name we ask it. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Matthew 18:15-20

Nancy Hammond

This is the Word of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

PSALM 119:33-40 (NRSV) (unison)

Nancy Hammond

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,
and I will observe it to the end.
Give me understanding, that I may keep your law
and observe it with my whole heart.
Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for I delight in it.
Turn my heart to your decrees
and not to selfish gain.
Turn my eyes from looking at vanities;
be gracious to me according to your word.
Confirm to your servant your promise,
which is for those who fear you.
Turn away the disgrace that I dread,
for your ordinances are good.
See, I have longed for your precepts;
in your righteousness be gracious to me.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 13:8-14

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

SERMON

“Love Fulfills the Law”

Rev. John E. Morgan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 300

We Are One in the Spirit

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,



we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
 we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
 we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
 and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:



And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

A parish priest at St. Brendan's on the South Side of Chicago in the 1960s was very involved in the local Civil Rights movement and needed something for his youth choir to sing at ecumenical, interracial events. Finding nothing, he wrote this song in a single day.

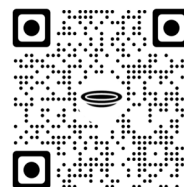
***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED** (unison)

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.

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

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Kathleen Thomerson

Arr. Erick Dewar and Dan Forrest

I want to walk as a child of the light;
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world;
The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain:

In him there is no darkness at all;
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God:
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God;
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
And show me the way to the Father. (Refrain)

(Anthem continues on the next page.)

I'm looking for the coming of Christ;
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
We shall know the joy of Jesus. (Refrain)

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major (one sharp). The melody is in the Treble clef, and the bass line is in the Bass clef. The lyrics are written below the staves.

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**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Williamsburg Presbyterian Church welcomes all who believe in Jesus Christ to share the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us today. We receive the elements by means of intinction, taking a piece of bread and dipping it into the cup. For those who desire an individual serving, regular or gluten free, they will be on a table in front of the baptismal font and on the small tables located in the balcony. If you are seated on the main floor of the sanctuary, you are invited to come forward to the chancel area by way of the center aisle and return to your pews by the side aisle. If you are sitting in the balcony, an usher will guide you to the sacrament. If you are unable to come forward easily, please signal to one of the ushers or elders so the communion elements can be brought to your seat.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: Eternal God...

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE MEAL

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me
Becky McKinley and Chris Bechtler, duet

Adoro te devote (1697)
arr. K. Lee Scott

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
And, with words that help and heal, Thy life would mine reveal;
And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions brotherly, speak Christ's sincerity.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
Show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee;
Separate from sin, I would, and cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be, give him who gave me thee.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
Help my now thy power to see, I would be like thee;
'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, thine the victory.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Living Christ, as you open the scriptures to us you make yourself known in the breaking of the bread. Let us now go forth from this place, fed at your table and filled by the Spirit, to walk with you all the days of our lives, and proclaim the glory of your resurrection to all the world. Amen.

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.

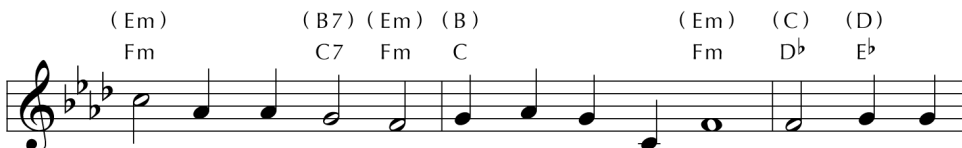


HYMN 719*Come, Labor On**

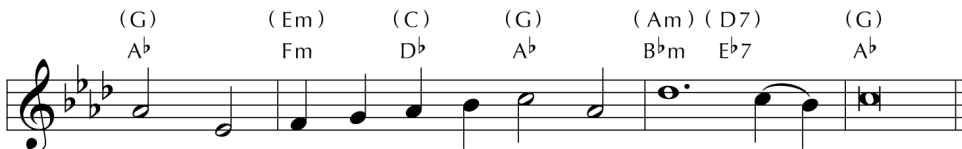
ORA LABORA



- 1 Come, la-bor on. Who dares stand i - dle on the har - vest plain
 2 Come, la-bor on. Claim the high call - ing an - gels can - not share;
 3 Come, la-bor on. Cast off all gloom - y doubt and faith - less fear!
 4 Come, la-bor on. No time for rest, till glows the west - ern sky,



while all a - round us waves the gold - en grain? And to each
 to young and old the gos - pel glad - ness bear. Re - deem the
 No arm so weak but may do ser - vice here. Though fee - ble
 till the long shad - ows o'er our path - way lie, and a glad



ser - vant does the Mas - ter say, "Go work to - day."
 time; its hours too swift - ly fly. The night draws nigh.
 a - gents, may we all ful - fill God's righ - teous will.
 sound comes with the set - ting sun, "Well done, well done!"

Using Jesus' harvest imagery in John 4:35–38 and Matthew 9:37–38/Luke 10:2, this urgent text sounds a compelling call to Christian service. The words gain energy from the strong unison tune in the English cathedral style, whose name echoes the Benedictine motto "Prayer is work."

TEXT: Jane Laurie Borthwick, 1859; rev. 1863, alt.
 MUSIC: Thomas Tertius Noble, 1918

ORA LABORA
 4.10.10.10.4

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*POSTLUDE****Variations on "Come, Labor On"**

Hancock

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.

∞ TODAY'S MUSIC NOTE ∞

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" was written in the middle of a terrible heat wave in St. Louis in 1966. The author was planning to leave town to visit family and escape the heat. Inspiration struck right before she left, as she walked around the house humming and writing while her mother reminded her that it was time to pack.

The text is unusual for a hymn in that it doesn't rhyme, though the repetition of Jesus' name helps to soften the effect. The verses move from *following* Jesus to wanting to *look at* and *be with* him, outlining the shape of the author's life of faith.

∞ THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ∞

The flowers are given today to the glory of God and in memory of her husband, Richard John Eichhorn by Linda Eichhorn.

✧ THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY ✧

PASTOR

Rev. John E. Morgan, Pastor and Head of Staff

Rev. Pam Hrnair, Associate Pastor

MUSIC MINISTRY

Chris Bechtler, Director of Music

Norman Elton, Organist and Assistant Director of Music

Becky McKinley and Chris Bechtler, duet

WPC Chancel Choir

LITURGIST

Nancy Hammond

GREETERS

9:30am Harley Stewart, Anne Nordin

11:00am JD Due, Rebecca Caprio

USHERS

9:30am Matthew Underwood, Pat Underwood, Nick Nicastro, David Littell

11:00am Bob Bolstad, Jean Scott, Shanna Due, Nate Green

WEEKLY WONDERING QUESTION

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

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOST

Sue Rennagel, John Smith, Skip Perry

***WILLIAMSBURG LANDING USHERS**

Dick Sahlen, Dottie Teubner, Linda Eichhorn

***WINDSOR MEADE USHER**

Ray Whitney and Peter Moriarty

WINDSOR MEADE COMMUNION SERVERS

Happy & Ralph Simmons

AUDIO AND VIDEO TECHNICIANS

Roy Knox, and John Schoenberger

*Satellite campuses

≈ WPC'S PURPOSE STATEMENT ≈

*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.*

≈ CHILDREN'S STATEMENT ≈

Children are welcome at WPC! We have Sunday School for all ages at 9:30am and a nursery for children ages 3 and below during both services. 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 ≈

All youth in 6th-12th grade are invited to join us every Sunday evening for WPC Youth Group! We meet from 5:30-7:00pm and enjoy dinner, singing, and a variety of activities from Bible study to Gaga Ball. Youth group resumes on September 13th with a potluck.

High schoolers in 9th-12th grade are invited to join for a midweek Bible study that will resume on Wednesday, September 9 from 7:00-8:00pm. Please reach out to Melody Dillon with any questions.

≈ FAMILY STATEMENT ≈

Every 1st Sunday is WPC Family Sunday! During Sunday School, families are invited to gather upstairs in Room 227 for coffee, breakfast treats, and informal conversation and community building. Then, during the 11:00am service, all kids in preschool-5th grade are invited to sit together and help lead the congregation in Embodying the Psalm. The first WPC Family Sunday of the year will be on October 1st.

✧ WORSHIP: WEEKLY WONDERING QUESTION ✧

In our effort to be an intentional and intergenerational church, we 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.

✧ 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 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.
- **The Caregivers Support Group** will meet in room 222 on **August 31, and September 14.**

✧ 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, added to the prayer chain, or 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 for this week. During the week, please call the church office.

Pastor-on-Call

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

Upcoming Memorial Services for WPC Members and Friends:

- Robin Hellier, who went to be with Our Lord and Savior on Friday, August 21, 2026. A visitation will be held at Nelsen Funeral Home, 3785 Strawberry Plains Rd., Williamsburg, VA 23188, US, on September 11, 2026, from 12:00pm to 1:00pm; light lunch will be served. A funeral service will be held at 1:00pm followed by a committal service at Williamsburg Memorial Park.
- A graveside service for Rita Wright. Cedar Grove Cemetery, September 11, 2026 at 11:00am.
- Dorothy Geyer's mother, Lillian Geyer, who went to be with Our Lord and Savior on Friday, August 21, 2026. A memorial service is planned for Saturday, November 7, 2026, in our sanctuary followed by a reception.

Please pray for the families who have lost loved ones:

- The family of Sid Wilson, husband of Tanya Wilson.
- The family of Nell Stowe, mother of Dru Stowe.
- The family of Dennis Lykins, husband of Kathy Lykins.

Please pray for:

- Barbara Coughlan
- Gail Jamerson and Edward Woodley, wife and brother-in-law of our sexton, Hugh Jamerson
- Barb Timko's brother for his strength during chemo and radiation treatment.

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 🌀

- **Usher and Greeter, Coffee Fellowship, and Flower Sharing Sign Ups in Stevenson Hall TODAY-Are you looking for an opportunity to share your smile and meet new people?** Please stop by the tables in Stevenson Hall between services today through Sunday, September 20 to learn more and sign up. Representatives from these ministries will be available to answer your questions. No previous experience necessary and all ages are welcome! Feel free to sign up online from the comfort of your home by going to: mywpc.org/usher; mywpc.org/greeter; mywpc.org/coffee; mywpc.org/flowers; mywpc.org/tutor.
- **Be a part of World Communion Sunday.** The Worship Ministry invites you to participate by providing bread that represents your heritage or that is a family favorite. The breads will be assembled into a centerpiece for October 4, 2026. If you have questions or want to volunteer to provide bread, please contact Ruth Cobb by September 28, 2026.
- **Older Adults Resource Room Launches September 27.** We are pleased to announce the opening of the Older Adults Resource Room, an initiative of **WPC's Aging on Purpose Ministry**, on September 27, 2026! Stop by the Resource Room, Room 123, across from the Nursery, between services or following 11am worship to take a look, learn more about our vision, and meet the Resource Guides: *Allen Hogge, Nancy Moul, Ann Schulte, Diane Schwarz, and Faith Shartzer*.

The Resource Room has a collection of information on local resources related to lifestyle and housing options, health and safety, financial and legal matters, personal and in-home care, and more. Beginning October 1, 2026, Resource Guides will accept appointments to provide personal assistance for those seeking to plan and prepare for retirement, meet current or emerging needs for care, or address other issues related to aging well. We look forward to your input and collaboration as we seek to care and support one another in the way of Jesus.

- **Volunteers Needed to Help at Grove Christian Outreach Center on United Way 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 18 from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm**. There are indoor jobs (shopping with neighbors, organizing the pantry and clothing closet) and outdoor jobs (painting, yard cleanup, and gardening). If you can help us in this worthwhile endeavor, please contact Tom Moul* and let him know if you would like to work inside or outside and your t-shirt size. Thanks for volunteering!
- **Send Your Cookies and Prayers to Prison. Showing God's Love in Prison.** In October WPC members will be joining a group of Kairos Prison Ministry Volunteers going to Greenville Correction Center. Their purpose is to remind the prisoners that God loves them.

One of the ways of showing God's love is through cookies. While the cookies aren't God's love, they are a symbol of his love or Agape. The inmates don't realize this at the beginning of the workshop on Thursday morning but they do by Sunday afternoon after four days of talks, discussion and prayers. The Holy Spirit is at work and all who attend see it for themselves.

Cookie Kits are available in the Welcome Center. Kits for making 3 dozen include 3-quart freezer bags, special instructions and directions for baking cookies which are due by September 29.. Please stop by and pick up one.

- **September Monthly Grief Group: September's monthly grief group will meet on Wednesday, September 9, at 10:00am.** Please note that this is a change from our regular meeting day, which is the first Wednesday of the month.

- **The Path Ahead: Spirituality and Purpose in Later Life.** *What if growing older is not simply about what we lose, but about what God is still calling us to become? The Path Ahead: Spirituality & Purpose in Later LifeSM* challenges stereotypes of aging as a season of decline and invites us instead to see later life as a time of spiritual growth, renewed purpose, and possibility.

Join Pastor Pam for this six-week class beginning September 16 at 1pm in Room 220. Through conversation and contemplative practices, we'll explore how God's call does not retire when we do. Instead, God invites us to adapt, grow, and discover what faithful living can look like in this season of life. Learn more and register: mywpc.org/pathahead.

- **Why Is Jesus Revolutionary? Our mission statement calls us to be “revolutionary in our hope and love.” But what does that mean—and what made Jesus revolutionary?** Join JD (Jonathan) Due for a four-week Sunday morning class exploring Jesus and his teachings within the Roman world in which he lived. We'll look at what Rome considered revolutionary, the religious and political world surrounding Jesus, the radical nature of his words and actions, and the lasting impact of his life on culture, philosophy, and faith.

Classes will be held Sundays at 9:30am in Room LL049 on September 20 and 27 and October 11 and 18, with no class on October 4. Instructor: JD Due. **No registration is needed.** Come explore what Jesus' revolution meant then—and what it might mean for how we live with revolutionary hope and love today.

- **On Saturday, September 26, members and friends of WPC are invited to step into a remarkable chapter of Presbyterian—and American—history with a visit to Historic Polegreen Church in Hanover County.**

Our day will take us from the story of religious dissent and the struggle for freedom of conscience at Polegreen to Union Presbyterian Seminary, where we'll share lunch and explore the role clergy played in the American Revolution. We'll begin at 11am with a guided visit to Historic Polegreen Church, followed by lunch and a presentation by Pastor John Morgan at Union Presbyterian Seminary.

Participants can travel directly to Polegreen or meet at WPC to carpool or ride the church bus. Carpool and transportation arrangements will be confirmed with participants after signing up. A boxed lunch from Richmond's Garnett's Cafe is \$15 per person; selections will be made when registering. Learn more and register at mywpc.org/polegreen.

- **The WPC Book Club will meet on Monday, September 28, at 2pm in Room 220 (and on Zoom) to discuss** *The Bully Pulpit: Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and the Golden Age of Journalism*, by Doris Kearns Goodwin.
- **New Member Luncheon—November 1.** Join us immediately following the 11:00am worship service in Stevenson Hall for a relaxed and joyful luncheon. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know others, meet the pastors and church leaders, and discover the many ways you can connect with our community to worship, grow in our faith, and serve our community.

***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, SEPTEMBER 6 • COMMUNION SUNDAY

- 9:30am Nursery open during both worship services
9:30am Sunday School for Children, Youth and Adults / CE Wing and Lower Level
9:30am In-person Worship / Sanctuary • *Live-Stream Worship; visit mywpc.org to access*
10:30am Coffee Fellowship Hour / Stevenson Hall
11:00am In-person Worship / Sanctuary • *Listen at FM93.5 The Burg.com*

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

- 9:30am Presbyterian Women's Circle 1 Ruth / Stevenson Hall
5:00pm Christian Education Ministry Mtg / Rm 227

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

- 12:00pm PW Circle 8 - Deborah / Off-Site • Contact Cathy Cheney
1:00pm Staff Mtg / Zoom
2:00pm Stewardship Committee Mtg / Rm 220
5:00pm CE Children's Subcommittee / Rm 227
6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg / 220
6:30pm PW Circle 5 - Eunice / Rm 222
6:30pm UKirk Dinner & Dialogue / Stevenson Hall and Kitchen
7:00pm AA Williamsburg Big Book Study / LL009 and LL049

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

- 7:30am Men's Bible & Bacon Study / Stevenson Hall
10:00am PW Circle 14 - Martha / Rm 227
10:00am Finding Hope Grief Support Group / Rm 222
10:30am WPC Library Committee Mtg / Church Library
5:00pm Nominating Committee Mtg / Rm 220
6:00pm Joyful Ringers Rehearsal / Bell Rm
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Rm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

- 9:00am Sanctuary Cleaning
9:30am PW Circle 7 - Anna / Rm 220
4:30pm Carol Choir and Junior Choir Rehearsal / Children's Choir Rm
5:00pm Worship Ministry Mtg / Rm LL010
7:00pm Deacon Mtg / Stevenson Hall
7:30pm Westminster Ringers Rehearsal / Bell Rm Lower Level

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

∞ NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP ∞

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

Pastor John E. Morgan begins a 4-week sermon series on the Parables.

"The Parables of Matthew" based Matthew 18:21-35