

*Let Us Worship the Lord
in Spirit and Truth*

*Standing, as able

Prelude Heidi Jacobs

Greeting One Another in Christ: "Shalom to You" UM Hymnal #666

*Call to Worship adapted from Psalm 82 David Kinard

God has taken His place in the divine council;

The Lord holds judgment in the midst of the gods:

"Give justice to the weak and needy;

Deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

They have neither knowledge nor understanding,

they walk around in darkness.

Rise up, O God, judge the earth;

for all nations belong to you!

Let us praise the Lord who judges His people with mercy.

We will praise and follow the Lord wherever He leads.

*Singing Our Praises: "Friend of God" by Israel Houghton

*Opening Prayer

The Church in Ministry (Announcements)

Prayer for Illumination (requested hymn): "Thy Word" UMH #601

Good News from the Law: Genesis 12:10-20 NRSV

Good News for Children

*Good News from the Gospel: Luke 16:1-9 NRSV

Sermon: "Trouble on the Way to the Promised Land" Pastor Bruce

*Hymn of Response (request) "Amazing Grace" UMH #378, vs.1-4

*The Lord's Prayer (ecumenical version) UMH #894

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord, for your grace, **we give our thanks.**

Pastoral Prayer

Worshiping God with our Gifts (Tithes and Offerings)

Offertory: "I Know Who I Am" by Chris Tomlin & Israel Houghton

*Praising the Triune God UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

*Sending Song: "I Love You, Lord" by Laurie Klein

*Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude

Heidi Jacobs

Welcome to Pender United Methodist Church

If you are visiting with us, we are grateful that you have chosen to be our guests in worship.

If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to check out our weekly schedule on the front of this bulletin and our updated activities at our website: www.penderumc.org.

If our pastor or staff can help you in any way, please feel free to contact us using the information below.



6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 20, 2025

Church Staff

Pastor: Rev. Bruce Johnson -
Bruce.j@penderumc.org

Music Director: Patrick King -
music.director@penderumc.org

Administrative Assistant: Vicki Fitzgerald -
Office.admin@penderumc.org

Communications: Mary O'Connor -
webmaster@penderumc.org

Treasurer: Sunny Xue -
treasurer@penderumc.org

Handbell Director: Brian Stevenson -
brianzstevenson@gmail.com

Pianist: Heidi Jacobs

Facilities Manager: Sergio Saez

Pender Hill Preschool Director: Leslie Whitacre
Leslie.w@penderumc.org

Pender United Methodist Church
12401 Alder Woods Drive
Fairfax, VA 22033

Church Office: Mon-Thurs 10-4
Church Office Phone: (703) 278-8023
Church Website: www.penderumc.org

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship	10:00 am, sanctuary
Adult Sunday School	9:00 am, room 220
Youth Sunday School	10:15 am
Children's Sunday School	10:15 am
Impact Youth	Sun. 5:00 pm, youth room
Praying Our Faith	Sun. 9:00 am, room 218
Fun with Music (young children)	Mon. 10:00 am, room 202-204
Mary Martha Circle	Mon. 7:00 pm, Zoom
Bible Study	Tues. 7:00 pm & Thurs. 10:00 am, library
Handbell Rehearsals	Tues. 6:45 pm, sanctuary
Ruth Circle	Every 2 nd Wed. of the Month 9:30am
AA Meetings	Wed. 6:00 pm, library
Lectio Divina Prayer Group (https://penderumc.org/prayer/)	Thurs. Zoom
Choir Rehearsal	Thurs, 6:30 pm, sanctuary