



Williamsburg

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Welcoming Neighbors - Nurturing Faith - Transforming Our World



Pentecost Sunday - May 19, 2024

8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services

PRELUDE

Spirit of God
(Lani Smith)

INTROIT

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying
(Ken Medema)

Sanctuary Choir

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

by John Henry Newman, modified

Come, O Holy Spirit!

Come as Holy Fire and light a fire of love and action in us!

Come, O Holy Spirit!

Come as Holy Wind and cleanse us within!

Come, O Holy Spirit!

Come as Holy Light and lead us in the darkness!

Come, O Holy Spirit!

Come as Holy Truth and dispel our ignorance!

Come, O Holy Spirit!

Come as Holy Power and enable our weakness!

Come, O Holy Spirit!

**Come as Holy Life and dwell in us as individuals,
drawing us together in community!**

*HYMN

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

TFWS 2120 (black book)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Pentecost, you infuse us with your Spirit, urging us to vision and to dream,
**but we confess that too often we look only to the past or do not trust
your leading into a new place of hope.**

Your Spirit, O God, invites us into the truth that is the full essence of Christ,
**but we confess that we too often want to define truth on our terms,
not the way of life Jesus has shown.**

With these confessions – and confessions unspoken – we pray that the gift
of your presence in the Holy Spirit may find voice in our lives,
**that our babbling may be transformed into discernment
and the flickering of many tongues light the way of an
unquenchable fire of compassion and justice for all. Amen.**

MOMENT OF TEACHING

We welcome children of all ages to participate in Worship in the Sanctuary. At 11:00 a.m.,
Grades K-5 are invited to encounter God in story, arts, and song in the Children's Worship Room.
Our Nursery, located in the Education Wing, is open for Pre-K and younger during both services.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 8:11-19, 22-23, 26-30 (158 NT)

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

I Will Sing with the Spirit
(John Rutter)

Sanctuary Choir

MESSAGE

Groaning

Deacon Troy Sims

*HYMN

There's a Spirit in the Air

UMH 192 (red book)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895 (red book)

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

Récit de Cromorne (Veni Creator Spiritus)
(Nicolas de Grigny)

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94 (red book)

**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 up-lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN

Blessed Quietness

TFWS 2142 (black book)

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying
(Ken Medema)

Sanctuary Choir

POSTLUDE

Come Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire
(J.S. Bach)

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God in memory of
our son Matthew Hershberger by his parents.

*At the conclusion of our services, those wishing to hear the Postlude in its entirety are invited to remain seated.
Please take the opportunity to meet your neighbors.*

***congregation invited to stand**

THIS ALSO IS OUR WORSHIP

Welcome to Williamsburg United Methodist Church

If an event or ministry below captures your interest, we would love to know about it. Please call us at 757 229-1771.

Welcoming Neighbors – Nurturing Faith – Transforming Our World

A Special Welcome to Our Guests

To those visiting with us today, we are delighted to have you worship with us. Please stop by the Hospitality Table in the Connection Corner area after the service, so a team member can provide you with a welcome gift. Come back to be with us again!

BE SURE TO DROP BY THE ATRIUM TODAY to get your picture taken in front of the Pentecost Banner! We plan to use the photos to create a Mosaic!

Adult Sunday School Classes

The following groups are meeting each Sunday at Church from 9:30–10:30 a.m. **Aldersgate Fellowship:** Wesley Hall, **Bishop McKendree:** Rm. 102, **Marvin Willard:** Rm. 174, **Searchers:** Rm. 303, **Walking the Footsteps:** Rm. 160, **Perspectives:** Rm. 171, **Young Adults:** 12:30 Den. Questions relating to Sunday School Classes? Contact Deacon Troy tsims@williamsburgumc.org or visit www.tinyurl.com/wumc-adult-ss

General Conference Follow-Up Conversation

Bring your own lunch and join us at Noon, May 29, in Fellowship Hall for a discussion with Warren Harper (lead lay delegate to the General Conference from Virginia) and Bishop Pete Weaver (who has presided over previous General Conferences) to reflect on outcomes from the recent General Conference and what it might mean for the future. If you have questions about this event, contact Pastor Dave Rochford drochford@williamsburgumc.org. Let us know you're planning to attend at tinyurl.com/gc-followup



Youth Opportunities

Join us today, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m., for *ReNew* Youth fellowship. Lunch provided. We hope to see you there!

4th Friday - Movie Night

Join us May 24, 6:00 p.m. in the Youth Room for pizza, popcorn, and a showing of Disney Pixar's *Brave*. We'll follow Princess Merida on her quest to save her family's kingdom as she discovers what it really means to be herself and a good leader. We hope to see you there for this fun evening with family and friends. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/WUMC4f>

Gratitude Walking Group

Join us at **4:00 p.m.** each Wednesday at the back parking lot entrance of WUMC for delightful strolls down Duke of Gloucester Street in Colonial Williamsburg. We'll kick off our walks with brief moments of gratitude and enjoy being in each other's company!

Pastors' Bible Study - 1 Corinthians: Faithful Living in Divisive Times

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Rm 103

Thursdays, 10:30-12:00 p.m. via Zoom



ATTENTION ALL MEN - We want to hear from you!

We'd love to hear your dreams and visions for our ministry for men at WUMC. Please consider filling out our Men's Ministry Survey. Questions? Contact Deacon Troy Sims tsims@williamsburgumc.org. Visit tinyurl.com/wumc-men-survey to complete the survey.

WUMC Memorial Day Observance on Sunday, May 26, 10:35 a.m.

Remembrance on the Front Lawn

&

Apex UMC, Apex, North Carolina Youth Choir and Handbells, 11:00 a.m.



Music Notes

Summer Choir is almost here: June 2-August 25. Rehearsals are 30 minutes prior to the service and will be easy-to-sing anthems, hymns and praise songs. Questions? Contact Lou-Anne Smith, Director of Worship Arts lsmith@williamsburgumc.org

CARE Committee...

...will provide rides to the doctor or will provide help when you are sick. Mary Liz Sadler 757 229-8063 and Betsy Ziskind 757 291-3635 are the May coordinators. If you need **CARE**, please let the coordinators know at least 2 days in advance to arrange for assistance.

Dementia Support Group

For caregivers taking care of loved ones with various forms of dementia. Please join us for information and support. Contact Conny Jude cjude@williamsburgumc.org for more information.

Hiring

The Wesley Foundation at The College of William & Mary has a part-time (20 hour per week) non-exempt Administrative Assistant job opening providing administrative support for the Director (Campus Minister), clerical support for the Wesley Board, and general operational support for the Wesley House. Daily interactions with guests, college students and house residents are required along with a focus on using Microsoft Office Programs, Gmail, and social media.

For the complete job description go online to <https://vaumc.org/job/administrative-assistant-wesley-foundation-william-mary/> To apply, send a cover letter, resume and two references to the Wesley Board Personnel Committee.

This Week At WUMC

Monday, 5/20

2:00 Hope in the Mts. Sub Committee
4:30 Stephen Ministry
6:30 UWF Executive Committee

Tuesday, 5/21

5:30 Worship Committee
7:00 Finance Committee
Global Outreach Committee

Wednesday, 5/22

7:00 Pastors' Bible Study

Thursday, 5/23

10:30 Pastors' Bible Study ZOOM

UMCOR Hygiene Kit Collection

We can make an impact close to home and far away with Kits! This year, to ensure compliance with stated requirements, we will not be accepting individual items. Instead, we invite you to contribute towards covering the cost of the items for the kits. Each kit adds up to \$16, but any donation, big or small, is valued and deeply appreciated. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of those much in need. Financial donations should be made out to "WUMC" must be marked "UMCOR Hygiene Kits." We will soon announce the day and time to pack the kits.

~ *Global Outreach Team*

Mindfulness, Meditation & Prayer Workshop



After the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service on June 2, join retired psychiatrist Steve Nichols and Pastor Meghan in Rm. 103 for a simple lunch and seminar on prayer, meditation and mindfulness. If you enjoyed the Good Friday worship of quiet and silence, you will appreciate this workshop. Many of us are longing for stillness and peace. Let's explore ways to experience God's still, small voice together. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/mindfulnessworkshopwumc>

Celebrating Our Methodist Heritage: Walking Tours and a Potluck!

Walking Tours: Friday, May 24 at 5:00 p.m. and
Sunday, May 26, following a Potluck Lunch at 12:15 p.m.

Embark on a journey through the rich history of the Methodists of Williamsburg! On Aldersgate Day, Friday, May 24, Pastor Dave and our own Anne Hardister will lead an evening walking tour of Colonial Williamsburg, offering colorful glimpses of our congregation's history - at the very places where our story began, 251 years ago. Join us at 5:00 p.m. in the church parking lot; comfortable shoes are recommended, as we will walk about 1.4 miles. Then on "Aldersgate Sunday," founder of the Methodist movement John Wesley will preach at each of our morning services. Following his inspiring message, join us for a special potluck lunch at 12:15 p.m., and then we will go and burn those calories with a reprise of Williamsburg Methodist history walking tour. Come join us as we mark the prominent place of our town in the story of our Church, Commonwealth and nation.

Today's Worship Leaders

Worship Leaders: Troy Sims, Dave Rochford

Organist: Tom Marshall

Hymn Leaders 8:15: Ginger Barr **11:00:** Jenn Staggs

Acolyte 8:15: Gayle Justice **11:00:** Aaron Yaneza

Readers 8:15: Warren Harper **11:00:** Cindy Banek

Greeters 8:15: Judi French, Joyce Hedgepeth **11:00:** Cindy Banek, Sue Swadley

Ushers 8:15: Roy Geiger, Janet Henke, Russ Henke, Chalannes Hoover, Mike Johnson, Tom Justice, Monty Mason **11:00:** Grace Bradley, Jen Bradley, Jim Bradley, Bonnie Knizatko

Sound and Livestream: Anthony Williams, Todd Lindley, Josh Clayton

Nursery Care Team: Marcella LeGrand, Aubrey Olsen

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The Deadline for *This Also Is Our Worship*: Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. Please submit to Nancy Reynolds.

May 12 Worship Attendance.....	500
In Person 11:00 a.m.....	210
In Person 8:15 a.m.....	142
Messy Church.....	79
Online.....	69

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Welcome to Williamsburg United Methodist Church

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PART OF WUMC?

Speak with any of our Pastors, Revs. Meghan Roth Clayton, Dave Rochford or Troy Sims, after the service or call 757 229-1771. They will be delighted to get to know you.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Live streaming of worship... will be available each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. <https://www.williamsburgumc.org/worship/livestream-services>, and the recorded service will be available at <https://www.williamsburgumc.org/worship/sunday-worship> by mid-afternoon Sunday. Upon entering the Sanctuary, understand that we are posting images to our media platforms. If you are uncomfortable with this, please let the ushers know you need to sit in an area away from camera angles. We are happy to accommodate!

Assisted Listening devices... are available from the ushers. Those with a "*t-coil*" switch in their hearing aids can simply activate the switch. Please advise an usher if you have this need.

Need a Quiet Place During Worship? The Den, located behind the Sanctuary, is open as a quiet place during Worship. It's equipped to watch worship livestream, has a partitioned feeding area and a diaper changing station for parents and caregivers.

Nursery Care is available for Pre-K and younger in Room 207. Our trained and background- checked care providers are ready to welcome your little ones during Worship and Sunday School.

CLASSES, GROUPS, AND BIBLE STUDY...

Please see the church website at www.williamsburgumc.org for a variety of choices. These are conducted both in person and by Zoom. We are always eager to welcome guests and new friends.

MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church held every second Tuesday, 5:30–7:30 p.m. This is an all-age worship experience that includes crafts, games, Celebration Time and dinner. Questions? Contact Zach Griggs

FAMILY MINISTRIES

We are committed to walking alongside families of all kinds on the lifelong journey of faith. Children are invited to grow in relationship with God and each other through Messy Church, Children's Worship, and fun fellowship events. Youth meet weekly on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. to have fun, engage current events theologically, respond creatively to scripture, and imagine how God is calling them to mission. Resources are available for parents and caregivers, and Zach would love to talk with you anytime about the joys and challenges of family life. Contact Zach at zgriggs@williamsburgumc.org to learn more. Interested in Youth Choir? Contact Anthony Williams awilliams@williamsburgumc.org

PRAYER

Contact the church office to speak to a pastor or submit a prayer request via the church website. Prayer concerns will be added to the prayer chain if desired or shared with the pastors and our intercessory prayer group. Prayer cards are located at Connection Corner and in the Narthex.

SUPPORT AND CARE

We are a Stephen Ministry Church and provide trained, strictly-confidential lay pastoral care for our congregation and community. Contact one of the Pastors for information on how you be connected to one of our Stephen Ministers 757 229-1771.

GIFTS

Supporting the missions of WUMC is easier than ever! You can give in multiple ways: Scan our QR code, text your gift amount to 757-992-9868 (WUMC), give online www.tinyurl.com/WUMCGiveNow, drop your offering in the plate on Sundays or bring your gift to the Church. Your support sustains the vibrant life of our church and reaches those in need in our community and around the world. Thank you for partnering with us in making a difference!

