

Welcoming Neighbors - Nurturing Faith - Transforming Our World



light

will shine out of darkness

2 Corinthians 4:6a

Sunday, June 9, 2024 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services

PRELUDE

Prelude on 'Dix' (Wayne Wold)

INTROIT

In the Lord I'll be Ever Thankful (Jacques Berthier)

Summer Choir

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Some days we sense our weariness more than we perceive God's strength. Yet it is only through God that we become witnesses to a greater truth and a stronger way in the world.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

At times we feel shunned because of our differences and judged because of our beliefs. But through the gift of Jesus Christ, we have become a holy people, one body, a new family.

Our hope is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

When overwhelmed by the busyness of life, we at times overlook those who are alone. But God calls to us, reminding us to be alert to those we do not see as our kin.

Our peace is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

At times we may struggle to listen, but God's call upon us does not go away.

Our life is in the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Praise the Lord!

*HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth (verses 1, 4-6)

UMH 92 (red book)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God who calls us each by name,

you who embolden the meek and open the ears of the deaf,

we confess to you that at times we have failed to listen for and to hear your call. Too often we have hesitated to step forward for you and stand up for our neighbors who needed a champion. We expect others to speak to injustice; we consider our own faith to be a private matter. Forgive us our halting witness, our passionless discipleship, and our propensity to repeat the mistakes of the past.

Hear now, O God, our effort to lay before you what shackles us...

[a time of silent confession]

Awaken in us, this yet-unlived day, the joy of an answered call to share abundant life with others.

Amen.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS Eric and Stefani Brigham, Pam Werner

(11:00)

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ

and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Miles Brigham

(11:00)

Born September 29, 2023 Son of Eric and Stefani Brigham

CONGREGATIONAL PLEDGE

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Miles and this family with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others.

We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

SUNG RESPONSE

God Claims You

TFWS 2249 (black book)

(sing "Miles" for child's name)

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.

READING OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

Mark 3:20-35 (37 NT)

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM We Know That Christ is Raised

Summer Choir

(Charles Villiers Stanford)

MESSAGE Blood Kin

Dave Rochford

*HYMN God Made from One Blood

TFWS 2170 (black book)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895 (red book)

BLESSING OF GRADUATING SENIORS

(11:00)

Lily Alexander, Caiden Billups, Eliza Moore, Ethan Powell, Liana Staggs

Gracious God, we thank you for the years we have shared with these graduating Seniors. It was our blessing to watch them grow and learn; our prayer is that their life of learning would continue, that they may search out the height and depth of spiritual wisdom and understanding.

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May their lives reflect the source of your radiance, Lord; may they continue to delight you by living gracefully and growing in the knowledge that comes from walking with You.

Strengthen them, provide for them, so that they will have everything they need to hold on to hope, endure hardship with patience and joy, and run the course that waits before them, full of promise. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF THE BOB STIVENDER ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

OFFERTORY Ein Feste Burg
(Johann Nicolaus Hanff)

*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!

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN In Unity We Lift our Song TFWS 2221 (black book)

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION May the Peace of God Go with You Summer Choir

(Hal H. Hopson)

POSTLUDE In Unity We Lift Our Song

(James Pethel)

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of my parents, Bill and Shirley Alexander and my niece, Alisa Wash by Teri Sim.

Giving

Your giving supports over 90 summer ministries and missions and is only a click away! We now offer convenient online and text giving, so you can give anytime, anywhere – even on the road! Make a one-time contribution or set up **recurring gifts** – **a great option for those of us traveling during the summer months**. Whether you're donating from the pew or on your way to the beach, your support sustains vibrant ministries that reach those in need in our community and around the world!



For **text giving**, simply send a text message to 757-992-9868 with the amount you would like to contribute (for example, 35). To **give online** scan our QR Code or visit www.tinyurl.com/WUMCGiveNow. Or give by dropping your offering in the plate or stopping by the church office.

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.

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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!

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

Youth Opportunities

Join us today at 5:00 p.m. at New Quarter Park (1000 Lakeshead Dr.) for a cookout with burgers and hot dogs, games, and fun to celebrate all that has happened this school year and launch into a great Summer together. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Bring your whole family and let's enjoy spending time together!

Pick-up Choir...

...starts June 17 at 5:15 p.m. in the Atrium for 7th grade through adult. Bring your instrument! Contact Lou-Anne Smith at Ismith@williamsburgumc.org for further info.

A Love Offering for Max Blalock

In gratitude for Rev. Max Blalock and his 14 years of ministry with the W&M Wesley Campus Ministry, we invite you to prayerfully consider contributing to a love offering. We will present this gift to Max in worship on June 16. If you would like to make a financial gift, Janet Henke, Wesley Foundation Board Chair, will receive them before June 16. Questions? Please contact Pastor Meghan 757 229-1771.

CARE Committee...

...will provide rides to the doctor or will provide help when you are sick. Karen Red 757 532-6893 and Mary Ann Durboraw 757 871-1455 are the June coordinators. If you need **CARE**, please let the coordinators know at least 2 days in advance to arrange for assistance.

Summer Book Study

Tuesdays, 10:30-12:00 noon, meeting Bi-Weekly starting June 25 OR Sundays, 2:30-4:00 p.m., meeting Weekly starting June 30

Join Deacon Troy Sims and fellow disciples in this study using Brian McLaren's book, *The Great Spiritual Migration: How the World's Largest Religion Is Seeking a Better Way to Be Christian.* This book claims that – notwithstanding the dire headlines about the demise of faith and drop in church attendance – Christian faith is not dying. Rather, it is embarking on a once-in-an-era spiritual shift. For millions, the journey has already begun. For more info or to register, visit tinyurl.com/wumc-2024-summer-book. Questions? tsims@williamsburgumc.org

This Week At WUMC

Monday, 6/10

5:30 KMO Board Meeting

6:30 Local Outreach Committee

Tuesday, 6/11

3:30 Dementia Support Group

5:30 Messy Church

Wednesday, 6/12

4:00 Gratitude Walking Group

7:00 Pastors' Bible Study

Thursday, 6/13

10:30 Pastors' Bible Study ZOOM

Saturday, 6/15

8:30 Churchwide Breakfast

United Women in Faith Circles

Sisters in Mission will meet June 10, 6:30 p.m. in Room 309.

Friendship Circle will meet June 11, 10:00 a.m. in Room 174.

Carol Scott Circle will meet June 11 for lunch at Tuscany Restaurant.

Sisters in Grace will meet June 11, 1:00 p.m. in Room 309.

NGSS CHURCH

Messy Church

Join us June 11, 5:30 p.m. for Messy Church: **Splashing in the Waters of Baptism.** We'll enjoy the warm

weather by playing water games outside (weather dependent) and walking in the story of John the

Baptist. Then, we'll celebrate the baptism of one of our Messy Church kids! We hope to see you there for fun, worship, friendship and dinner.

What is God's Dream? A Messy Church Summer Camp! July 7-9, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

We are excited to launch something new this Summer: a three-night Messy Church Camp to explore God's dream for the world from Micah 6:8.



This new discipleship is a ministry to our community, and we need YOU to help be a part of this work! Please share your contact information and select the ministry area where you would prefer to serve below. Zach Griggs, Family Ministry Coordinator, will be in touch with you about training and planning needs soon! Visit the link below or scan the QR code to sign up to serve https://tinyurl.com/Messy-Summer

WUMC Power Shut Down

Starting June 17, electrical power will be shut down in the original section of the church to replace the panels installed in 1963. This upgrade, a significant part of the Legacy Campaign fundraising, is expected to be completed by June 29, barring any unforeseen issues.

During this time, there will be no air conditioning or lights in the education wing, including the Sanctuary, Wesley Hall, and Respite. Wherever possible, events and activities in these areas are being reassigned to rooms in the 2006 building section, which will continue to have lights and air conditioning.

Your WUMC Trustees understand that this necessary upgrade will be disruptive to church programs and personnel, but it is a temporary inconvenience for what we hope will be a long-term improvement. We thank you for patience and understanding.

Beginning June 16, please observe a posted schedule in front of Connection Corner with assigned rooms during the upgrade June 17 – June 28.

Today's Worship Leaders

Worship Leaders: Dave Rochford, Meghan Roth Clayton, Troy Sims **Director of Worship Arts:** Lou-Anne Smith **Organist:** Tom Marshall

Acolyte 8:15: Hawley Mason 11:00: JD Tressler Readers 8:15: Terri Morgan 11:00: Cindy Banek

Greeters 8:15: Judi French, Barbara Neary 11:00: Jan Boykin, Lois Cunningham

Ushers 8:15: Roy Geiger, Janet Henke, Russ Henke, Chalonnes Hoover, Mike Johnson,

Tom Justice, Monty Mason, Dan Squier, Cindy Garman-Squier, Brent Whitaker

11:00: Marijane Harper, Jim Jones, Joann Lawson, George Sallwasser, Susan Sallwasser,

Buz Wilson

Sound and Livestream: Jimmy McCarter, Lily Alexander, Josh Clayton **Nursery Care Team:** Marcella LeGrand, Aubrey Olsen

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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 <u>www.williamsburgumc.org</u> 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 <a href="mailto:regreen:r

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.