

Welcoming Neighbors - Nurturing Faith - Transforming Our World



Bear witness to the love of God in this world, so that those to whom love is a stranger will find in you generous friends.

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost - Sunday, June 30, 2024 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services PRELUDE Sonata in Bb (G.F. Handel)

INTROIT In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful Summer Choir

(Jacques Berthier)

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 130

Wait for the Lord, like those who hope in God's mercy.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Watch for God, like those who eagerly await the morning.

We watch for God, whose power redeems us.

Hear God's hopeful word, like those who long for pardon.

Sing praise to God and rejoice in God's love.

*HYMN

Jesus, Have Mercy (Carolyn Winfrey Gillette) Tune UMH 145 (red book)

Jesus, have mercy! May we see clearly. You gave a gift we cannot repay. You had it all, but loving us dearly, even your life, Lord, you gave away.

Jesus, have mercy when we're uncertain, hiding our talents high on our shelves. As we've been blessed, may we be an offering - healing your world by giving ourselves.

Jesus, have mercy! May we give freely so that the church has plenty to share. May we bring tithes and offerings gladly, reaching to those in need everywhere. Jesus, have mercy! Give us new vision; show us new ways to build up your church. We are your people, called into mission! Help us to bring your hope to the earth.

OPENING PRAYER

UM Book of Worship (485)

O God, source of all that makes life possible, giver of all that makes life good: We gather to give you our thanks, yet we confess that we have often failed to live our thankfulness. What we have we take for granted, and we grumble about what we lack. We have squandered your bounty, with little thought of those who will come after us. We are more troubled by the few who have more than by the many who have less. Forgive us, O God. In this hour of worship, accept our thanksgiving; and teach us to make gratitude and sharing our way of life; through the grace of Jesus Christ. 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

2 Corinthians 8:7-15 (183 NT)

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM There Is Joy in Serving Jesus Summer Choir

(Carolyn Winfrey Gillette)

MESSAGE Together in Ministry Meghan Roth Clayton

*HYMN Cuando El Pobre (When the Poor Ones) UMH 434 (red book)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895 (red book)

COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS

Jessie Boudreaux, Cindy Freeman, Susan Sallwasser, Mimi Croswell

Almighty God, look with favor upon these Stephen Ministers who today reaffirm commitment to follow Christ and to serve in his name. Give them courage, patience, and vision; and strengthen us all in our Christian vocation of witness to the world and of service to others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY Aria in F
(G.F. Handel)

A WORD FROM ANNUAL CONFERENCE Mike and Angela Johnson

*DOXOLOGY UMH 94 (red book)

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me TFWS 2153 (black book)

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

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

(Hal H. Hopson)

POSTLUDE Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

(David Paxton)

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the Glory of God by Barbara Stahl in loving memory of my parents, William and Myrtle Pfile, wedding anniversary on June 27.

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

Youth Arts and Mission Tour Homecoming Concert

Join us today at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary to say "Welcome Home" to our WUMC Youth as they conclude their travels in North Carolina. You'll hear the pieces they've performed while on tour in addition to stories and images from their travels. This will be a wonderful evening to experience the witness of how God is transforming lives through missions, arts, and relationships.

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: On Summer Break, Marvin Willard: Rm. 174, Searchers: Rm. 303, Walking the Footsteps Small Group: Rm. 160, Perspectives: On Summer Break.

Join the Searchers Sunday School Class for **Taste & See: Discovering God Through Food.** This study that helps us consider: 1) As we break bread, we find the satisfaction of our deepest hungers in the community our souls crave; 2) As we share our lives, we taste and see God's fruitfulness; 3) When we're tempted to lose heart, we find courage in learning from stories of God's ways; and 4) In the midst of a busy life, we can all create space to taste and see God's goodness. Questions relating to Sunday School Classes? Contact Deacon Troy tsims@williamsburgumc.org or visit williamsburgumc.org/classes-groups

Beginning Sunday, July 14, during the Sunday School hour, join the Marvin Willard Sunday School Class in Rm. 174 for **Embracing Interfaith Cooperation**, a video-based study featuring author and civic leader, Eboo Patel. Together over 5 weeks you'll explore what it means to be "literate" about other faiths, how interfaith cooperation "works," and the skills needed for interfaith cooperation. To get connected to the class leaders, contact Deacon Troy Sims tsims@williamsburgumc.org.

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

July Book Club

The Carol Brinkley Memorial Book Club will meet on Monday, July 8 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. We are reading "The Four Winds," by Kristin Hannah. This book is an absolute pageturner, and you will not be able to set it down until you are finished! The story is set in the Dust Bowl of north Texas during the 1930's and follows the life of a woman and her extended family as they try to live through the trauma of endless drought, the Depression, and unsuccessful migration to California. Anyone is invited to join us for discussion! Contact Cindy Banek, banek1@cox.net for the Zoom link.

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

Registration is open! 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! Together we will learn how to do justice, love kindness, and walk with God. Each night will begin with a light dinner before groups rotate through stories, crafts, music, missions, and more. Friends, neighbors, and family are invited to join us. Can't make it for each night? Just sign up for the nights your children are available!

Children who have completed 3yr Pre-K through completed 5th grade may participate alone. Younger children are invited to participate with an accompanying adult.

Scan the code to register your children today! Want to offer your gifts and service?

Visit the link https://tinyurl.com/Messy-Summer to sign up to serve.

This Week At WUMC

Wednesday, 7/3

4:00 Gratitude Walking Group

Thursday, 7/4

Independence Day Holiday (Office Closed)

Tables Of Listening: Informed & Thoughtful Conversations

Wednesdays at Noon, July 10, 17
Bring your own lunch!
Wednesday at 6:00 p.m., July 24
Bring your own supper!

The UMC General Conference has come and gone, but we want to continue our "Tables of Listening" conversation. Join us for one or all of these sessions, as we eat and talk about what's next. To guide our discussion, we'll use the WUMC Uniting Vision (found on the church website at williamsburgumc.org/welcome/our-values-beliefs/ if you would like to see it in advance!). Please let us know if you are coming by filling out the form here: tinvurl.com/listen-summer-2024.

CARE Committee...

...will provide rides to the doctor or will provide help when you are sick. Betsy Ziskind 757 291-3635 and Barbara Glover 757 229-1198 are the July coordinators. If you need **CARE**, please let the coordinators know at least 2 days in advance to arrange for assistance.

Pick-up Orchestra...

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

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 757-992-9862 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.

SAVE THE DATE...Building Debt Note-Burning Celebration and Potluck Lunch July 14 following the 11:00 a.m. service in Fellowship Hall

Today's Worship

Worship Leaders: Meghan Roth Clayton, Dave Rochford, Troy Sims

Director of Worship Arts: Lou-Anne Smith

Musicians: Tom Marshall, Matthew Heidel, Troy Sims **Acolytes 8:15:** Gayle Justice **11:00:** JD Tressler **Readers 8:15:** Mike Starry **11:00:** Dianne Colestock

Greeters 8:15: Steve Tingen, Linda Upshaw 11:00: Michele Gates, Tom Gates

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, James Jones, Joann Lawson, George Sallwasser, Susan Sallwasser,

Buz Wilson

Sound and Livestream: 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.

June 23 Worship Attendance 364

In Person 11:00 a.m. 160

In Person 8:15 a.m. 133

Online 71

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Barbara Blanton, Finance Manager (x 355)

Nethea Calloway, Full Charge Bookkeeper (x 351)

Josh Clayton, Digital Media Specialist (x 256)
Meghan Roth Clayton, Pastor of Congregational Care (x 261)

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Zach Griggs, Family Ministries Coordinator (x 251)
Cornelia Jude, Director Respite Care (x354)

Thomas Marshall, Organist (757 713-0584)

Laura Pittman, Director Kid's Morning Out (x208)

Nancy Reynolds, Administrative Assistant (x 252)

Dave Rochford, Lead Pastor (x 260)

Michelle Roy, Dir. of Congregation & Community Engagement (x 250)

Troy Sims, Minister of Discipleship (x 258)

Lou-Anne Smith, Director of Worship Arts (x 107)

Rick Viancour, Facilities Manager (x 355)

Anthony Williams, Assoc. Dir. of Worship Arts, Dir. Early Childhood Music (x 108)

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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 rgriggs@williamsburgumc.org to learn more. Interested in Youth Choir? Contact Anthony Williams awilliamsburgumc.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.