



Williamsburg

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Welcoming Neighbors - Nurturing Faith - Transforming Our World

*Do not let any unwholesome talk
come out of your mouths*



*but only what is helpful
for building others up.* Ephesians 4:29

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost - Sunday, July 14, 2024

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

PRELUDE

Idyll: Fairest Lord Jesus
(Gerald Bales)

INTROIT

Rule of Life
(arr. Cynthia Wilson)

Summer Choir

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 24

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who may stand in his holy place?

**Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not trust in idols
or swear by a false god.**

These will receive blessing from the Lord, vindication from God our Savior.

**Such is the company of those who seek the Lord,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**

*HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

UMH 64 (red book)

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

You know, O God, that we often struggle to live as a distinctive people.

Too frequently our witness appears pale and insufficient.

**We acknowledge Jesus by our lips, but go out the door and deny him
by our actions. We hesitate to bear his Good News to others,
preferring instead to enhance our own status and power.**

Forgive us, Lord, and hear our reckoning of the painful gap
between who we know you made us to be, and who we are.

[a time of silent confession]

Awaken in us, this yet-unlived day and new-born week,
to live joyfully and truthfully, and to share that new way
with those we live among, work with, and encounter.

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

Ephesians 4:22-32 (194 NT)

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

O Breath of Life
(Carlton R. Young)

Summer Choir

MESSAGE

No Grist for the (Rumor) Mill

Dave Rochford

*HYMN

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

UMH 402 (red book)

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS Bob and Sherry Phipps, Rick and Wanda Sills (8:15)
Rachel Fowler (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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895 (red book)

OFFERTORY *Eternal Life* Lou-Anne Smith, mezzo-soprano
(Olive Dungan)

*DOXOLOGY UMH 94 (red book)

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN *Let There Be Peace on Earth* UMH 431 (red book)

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION *May the Words of my Mouth* Summer Choir
(Hal H. Hopson)

POSTLUDE *Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals!*
(Sigfried Karg-Elert)

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the Glory of God in honor of the 140th anniversary of the birth of Carlton Coleman Casey, July 12, 1884.

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 757-993-9862 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.

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!

Building Debt Note-Burning and Potluck Celebration Today



Please join us after the 11:00 a.m. service today for a potluck luncheon in our newly-renovated Fellowship Hall, where we will 'burn the note' on our 2007 building addition! We will also give thanks for all those whose generosity enabled us to pay off our loan *22 months early*,



and reflect on how God has filled this expanded space with so many worthy ministries. We have high hopes for what is next!

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.

Today 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 "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 Meals for Kids' Food Drive – Sunday, July 14

Today, WUMC is hosting a Food Drive to collect juice boxes, fruit and snacks for the Summer Meals for Kids program. Currently, the program is providing lunches for 260 children each week day. The Meals on Wheels van will be parked at the Wesley Foundation (change of location) so that congregants can load their food donations directly into it. Monetary donations can be made with checks payable to Williamsburg United Methodist Church (WUMC) with "Summer Meals for Kids" in the subject line. Thank you for your support of this annual Local Outreach project!

Looking Ahead

Find support, fellowship and hope among others experiencing grief. Using Dr. Alan Wolfelt's book, *Understanding Your Grief* and the accompanying journal, Rev. David Hindman and Stephen Ministry Leader Nancy Rivero will guide you through a 6-week series, Sundays August 11 through September 22 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. We will not meet Labor Day weekend.

If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Meghan Roth Clayton at mclayton@williamsburgumc.org

Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/Wumcgriefgroup>



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Elevate your Health at WUMC

Join us Mondays & Wednesdays from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall for heart-boosting chair aerobics, muscle-strengthening lightweight training and equilibrium-enhancing balance exercises.

Tables Of Listening:

Informed & Thoughtful Conversations

Wednesday at Noon, July 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 both 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: tinyurl.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.

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.

Gratitude Walking Group

Due to the oppressive heat, we will temporarily suspend walking on Wednesday afternoons. Watch the announcements as we plan to return to walking...when it gets cooler.

Today's Worship

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

Director of Worship Arts: Lou-Anne Smith **Organist:** Tom Marshall

Acolytes 8:15: Gwen Hinton **11:00:** Shane Johnson, Johanna Foley

Readers 8:15: Linda Upshaw **11:00:** Dianne Colestock

Greeters 8:15: Steve Tingen, Fran Hermance **11:00:** Marijane Harper, Trish Kline

Ushers 8:15: Roy Geiger, Janet Henke, Russ Henke, Chalonne Hoover, Mike Johnson, Tom Justice, Monty Mason, Dan Squier, Cindy Garman-Squier, Brent Whitaker

11:00: Drew Alexander, Valerie Dobson, Van Dobson, Walter Hall, Greg Johnson, Bonnie Knizatko, John Tressler, JD Tressler

Sound and Livestream: Jimmy McCarter, Lily Alexander, 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.

July 7 Worship Attendance.....	446
In Person 11:00 a.m.....	200
In Person 8:15 a.m.....	145
Online.....	71
Messy Church Camp (Kids).....	30



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)

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)

Ryan LaRock, *Campus Minister, Wesley Foundation* (757) 229-6832

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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 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.