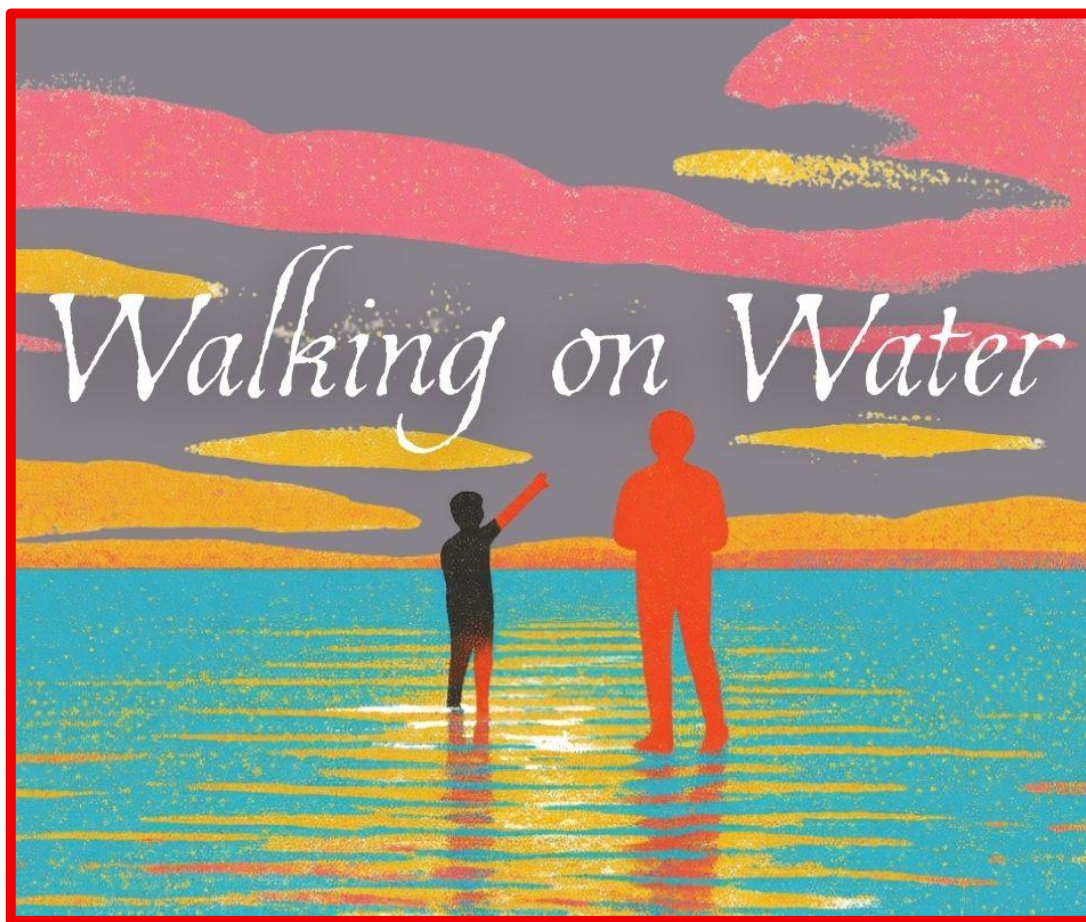




Williamsburg

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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August 16, 2026
8:15 and 11:00am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

My Prayer is to Thee
(Denis Eliot)

Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

When the winds are strong and the waves are rising,

God is with us in the storm.

When we feel alone and hope is difficult to see,

God is with us in the storm.

When we cry out, "Lord, save me,"

Jesus reaches out, the hand of pure love.

Christ has come into the storms of this world and risen to new life.

Thanks be to God for the good news of Jesus Christ!

Thanks be to God for love that meets us in every storm.

Now, with hope in our hearts, let us worship God!

Amen.

*HYMN

Open My Eyes, That I May See

UMH 454

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin, and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will,
we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry
of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

[a time of silent confession]

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love
toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

ANTHEM

My Anchor Holds
(Priscilla Jane Owens)

Men's Quartet

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 67 (529 OT)

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Where Children Belong

(11:00)

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.

Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

We welcome children of all ages to participate in Worship in the Sanctuary. At 11:00 am, Grades K-5 are
invited to Children's Worship in the Godly Playroom (215) to encounter God in story, song, and creativity.
Our Nursery, located in Rm. 203/205, is open for Pre-K and younger during both services and Sunday School.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church!

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"The Gospel in the Storm"

Rev. Madison Ailinger

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY CELEBRATION

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

Cantilena
(Charity Boyles)

Organ

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

PRESENTING THE BREAD AND CUP

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

[The minister continues this prayer of thanksgiving, concluding:]

And so, with your people on earth

and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy

(21 red book)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full – full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

[The minister continues the prayer, recalling the institution of the Lord's Supper, concluding:]

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died

(22 red book)

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Amen

(22 red book)

Amen, amen, amen, amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Those who prefer to remain in their seat may do so; simply notify an usher, and they will make sure the elements are brought to you. You may go forward to receive communion when an usher dismisses your row. You will be able to choose between dipping the bread in the cup or receiving an individual cup of grape juice. You may return to your seat via the side aisle once you have received. Persons requiring gluten free elements may obtain these at the station at the front or have it brought to them in their seat.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION (Please join in the singing:)

HYMNS

One Bread, One Body
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart
Now Let Us from This Table Rise
Take Our Bread
Fill My Cup, Lord (sing 2 times)

UMH 620
UMH 629
UMH 634
UMH 640
UMH 641

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world as those illumined by your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

UMH 474

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Go Forth in Faith
(Franklin Ritter)

Organ

The flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of Lauren Jean Morris by Elgin Morris.

WELCOME TO WUMC



We're delighted to have you with us! Between services, follow the signs to our Fellowship Area for coffee, connection, and our Kids Corner. We'd love to welcome you and answer any questions you may have. We're honored you chose us to worship with today!

ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES are available in the Narthex (or ask an usher for help). If you have a "t-coil" switch on your hearing aid, simply activate the t-coil switch. If that does not work, use one of the listening devices with a loop instead of the headphones. The loops are in the basket next to the devices. Leave the headphones and plug in the loop instead. *Please leave devices on the cabinet where you picked it up; do not put it back in the basket. That helps us know the batteries need to be charged.*

FAMILY MINISTRY CHECK-IN STATION

If your children are participating in the Nursery or Children's Worship, at any worship hour, visit the kiosk in the Atrium to check them in for the programs they will attend. This helps us ensure your children's safety by knowing who is present and ensures we have emergency contact and allergy information. The station will also print out a name tag for your child and a matching security tag for their adult to use at pickup time. Thank you for using this check-in system and for partnering with us to help your children have a safe, fun, and faithful experience at WUMC!

HAPPENINGS IN AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

BOOK OF EPHESIANS BIBLE STUDY With Pastor Madison

Thursdays, August 20 – August 27, 10:00am – 11:00am, Rm. 171.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP - For Students, Early Career Professionals August 20, 7pm

Come for conversations, spiritual growth, laughter, and connection with others. Contact Pastor Madison mailinger@williamsburgumc.org



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH CELEBRATE MORE LIFE BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, August 22, 9-2:00pm Atrium All donors will receive a \$20 Amazon Gift Card via email. Sign up tinyurl.com/uwf-blood-drive **GIVE BLOOD.**

GOODBYE SUMMER VENDOR FAIR – Saturday, August 29 9am – 3:00pm



Come shop at the WUMC "Goodbye Summer" event held in Fellowship Hall. Up to 50 Arts and Crafts Vendors will be there in addition to \$1 Raffles and baked goods for sale. Volunteers are needed to prepare baked goods and bring to the church kitchen Friday, August 28 between 2:00 – 5:00pm or early Saturday, August 29 before the Vendor Fair begins. All bake sale money will go towards UWF missions. Sign up at the table in the Atrium today.

WELCOME W&M STUDENTS TO WUMC & WESLEY BRUNCH Sunday,

August 30, Noon | Fellowship Hall

Sign up to help tinyurl.com/wesley-brunch or donate a financial gift to offset the cost. Write a check with "Wesley Brunch" in the memo or visit tinyurl.com/wumc-give select "Other Ministries" and put "Wesley Brunch" in the Memo.



The **Early Childhood Music School's Fall Semester** is just around the corner! If you are interested in signing up we have classes for as young as baby and me all the way to our keyboard classes. There are spots for adults as well. Classes start Monday, August 31. Also, if you or someone you know is interested in being a part of our team, please reach out to Mr. Anthony at mranthony.ecms@gmail.com



KIDS MORNING OUT - MEET THE TEACHER OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, September 2, 5:30 – 7:00pm | WUMC Classrooms

RESPIRE GARDEN PARTY – September 11, Noon – 2:00pm **SOLD OUT!**

You may purchase raffle tickets online or fill out a form located in the Church Lobby. Get yours tinyurl.com/wumc-garden to double your chances of winning!

CHURCHWIDE FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST – September 12, 8:30am Fellowship Hall

Church member Dr. Michael Finlan will explore the science and mystery surrounding the Shroud of Turin—believed to be the burial cloth of Jesus Christ. Michael will address the radiocarbon dating results, explain potential errors in those tests and examine three alternative dating methods that suggest the cloth may actually date back roughly 2,000 years. Sign up tinyurl.com/wumc-umm-breakfast

WRITING THE GOSPELS: Marvin Willard Sunday School

6 Sundays beginning September 13, 9:30-10:30am | Rm 174

LOVING YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF: Called, Equipped, Sent

8 Wednesdays beginning September 16, 6:30-8:00pm | WUMC

Register now: tinyurl.com/wumc-neighbor

THE BIBLE WITH AND WITHOUT JESUS - Bishop McKendree Sunday School

6 Sundays beginning September 20-October 25, 9:30 - 10:30am | Rm 102

Questions about any of the above classes, contact Deacon Troy tsims@williamsburgumc.org

UMM SPIRITUAL RETREAT: B1, Inspire1 September 18-19, 3:00pm-3:00pm

Massanutten Springs Camp & Conference Center, Harrisonburg, Virginia. Rev. Dr.

Clarence Brown will speak on discipleship, mentoring, and prayer life. There will be breakout sessions, fellowship time, and gospel singing; all registrations include dinner, breakfast, and lunch. *Cost:* \$150 per person (with overnight lodging) OR \$65 per person (without overnight lodging). The registration deadline is September 11. Register now vaumc.org/ummretreat/



PIZZA WITH THE PASTORS Sunday September 20, 12:15-2:00pm | Rm 303

followed by an optional building tour This is a casual, quarterly gathering after the 11:00am service to meet our pastors, connect with others, and ask questions about life at WUMC. Questions? Contact Deacon Troy tsims@williamsburgumc.org. Register now at tinyurl.com/pizza-pastor

SAVE THE DATE – PARTY OF EIGHT September 27, 6:00pm | WUMC

Potluck dessert and organize groups. Register online. Questions? Contact Deacon Troy tsims@williamsburgumc.org

MUSIC REHEARSALS RETURN

SANCTUARY CHOIR - Thursday, August 20, 7:00pm Choir Room.

Questions? Contact Lou-Anne Smith lsmith@williamsburgumc.org.

Register now at williamsburgumc.org/music-ministries/

HANDBELL CHOIRS

Koinonia Bells - Tuesday, September 1, 11:00am Bell Room

Covenant Ringers - Thursday, September 3, 5:30pm in the Bell Room

SANCTUARY ORCHESTRA - Monday, September 14, 5:30pm Atrium.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP

UNUSED GREETING CARDS?

Looking for unused "general" greeting cards (no Christmas or Easter) that you'd like to part with for a card-writing project. Drop off in the Collection Closet.

CREATION CARE TEAM

Summer picnics, festivals, and fairs can mean more disposable cups, plates, straws, and utensils entering the landfill. Make it a habit to switch to reusable water bottles, utensils, and containers. Try to keep a set of reusable items in your bag or car so you're always prepared.



CARE COMMITTEE

The CARE Committee is a dedicated group of volunteer members who provide rides to medical appointments, meals for the sick, and funeral receptions. Our August Coordinators are Karen Red (757) 532-6893 and Nathalie BacsKay (757) 604-7279. Call at least 2 days in advance for assistance. Questions? Contact Pastor Madison mailinger@williamsburgumc.org

MAGAZINES FOR WESLEY

The Wesley Foundation will be working on a collage activity soon and would like old, donated magazines. Please give them to Paige, Campus Minister at Wesley Foundation by August 26.

STEWARDSHIP As we travel this summer, the 90+ ministries we support through your generous giving continue Christ's work to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, care for families in need, and offer hope in Christ's name. Thank you for your continued faithful generosity throughout the year.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY

At WUMC, our goal is to help Children, Youth, and their families become disciples of Jesus Christ through nurturing relationships, practicing an active faith, and connecting their stories with God's Story. Questions? Contact Zach Griggs zgriggs@williamsburgumc.org

- **Children (K–5th Grade):** Faith formation through worship, Godly Play Children's Worship, Messy Church, music programs, and more.
- **Youth (6th–12th Grade):** Holistic faith formation through Bible study, spiritual practices, creative expression, and mission opportunities.

YOUTH GROUP MOVING TO EVENINGS THIS FALL-WUMC Youth Rm

Beginning August 23, reNEW Youth Group will move the regular weekly gathering time to 5:30 – 7:30pm on Sundays. Join us next week for Church Olympic Games.

AUGUST 9 ATTENDANCE

Worship Attendance Total.....	462
In Person 11:00am.....	210
Modern Worship 9:30am.....	74
In Person 8:15am.....	110
Online.....	68

Deadline for Bulletin
MONDAY, NOON

Please submit to Nancy Reynolds
nreynolds@williamsburgumc.org.

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WAYS TO GIVE

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give..." 2 Corinthians 9:7



TEXT TO GIVE

"GIVETOWUMC" to 73256 to give using your mobile device. You do not need an account to give; simply text your gift amount in any format (\$10, 10, 10.00). Receipts are sent via email.

CASH/CHECK

Donations can be made via our collection plate on Sundays, mail, or the church office Mon - Fri. Your generosity is deeply appreciated and makes a real difference in the lives of those we serve!

GIVING MAKES AN IMPACT

Your generosity changes lives and empowers ministries. Visit our Resources page at williamsburgumc.org/articles to read stories about the difference your giving makes in our community and beyond.

OUR CHURCH STAFF

BRIAN JOHNSON, **Lead Pastor** (x110)

MADISON AILINGER, **Pastor of Congregational Care** (x114)

TROY SIMS, **Minister of Discipleship** (x108)

MARY ELLEN BAKER, **Finance Manager** (x106)

ELLEN BUSHMAN, **Director Respite Care** (x118)

JOSH CLAYTON, **Digital Media Specialist** (x107)

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