Order of Worship

Song: #2 We Praise Thee, O God

Call to Worship

Song: #15 Step by Step

Song: #365 How Beautiful

The Lord's Supper

Song: #745 Humble Yourself

Offering

Song: #144 O Worship the King

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon "How's Your Vision?"

Song: #470 Victory in Jesus

Family Time

Song: #957 This World Is Not My Home

Closing Prayer

Please join us for a lite brunch in the fellowship hall immediately after our worship service this morning.

Join Us Again on Sunday & Wednesday Evenings

Grow in the love of God and His truth with us on Sunday and Wednesday evenings.

Sunday Evening Sermon: "Does Your Righteousness Exceed That of the Scribes and Pharisees? " Matthew 5:20 with Chris Gary

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: "The Prayers of Jesus." with Jeff Shy

You may access Sunday Bible Class, Sunday Evening Worship Service, and Wednesday Evening Bible Study on Zoom through our website.

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For The Record

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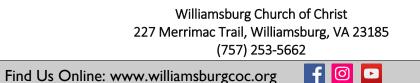
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Schedule Of Services

Sunday Morning Worship—9:30 a.m. Sun. Evening Worship—6:30 p.m. Wednesday Dinner—6:00 p.m.

Hrs: Tues - Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sunday Bible Class—11:00 a.m. Wed. Morning Bible Study-10 a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study—7:00 p.m.





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"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations. baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,"

Matthew 28:19

We Welcome You!

We are honored that you chose to visit with us today. We hope that you will stay around a few minutes after our service to become better acquainted. We are eager to know you! We hope you will come to see us as we see ourselves, a group of people who desire to live and love like lesus.

If you seek meaning and purpose in your life, we invite you to come and join us as we study God's word, the Bible, and find the true joy and fulfillment that can only be found in Him. Our doors and hearts are open. So, if you've been thinking, praying, searching, and hoping for a place to belong, we say again—welcome!

"The Great Commission"

Matthew 28 is the first of three accounts of what is commonly called "The Great Commission." The Great Commission contains some of the last words ever spoken by Jesus on earth.

Not to put a premium on anything Jesus said over another, but as humans, we understand that last words are vitally important in the minds of those who speak them. Given one last chance to impart nformation, all peripheral matters are ignored and the mundane vanishes.

It is called the Great Commission for several reasons. Primarily, I think the first is its scope. Here, Jesus commissioned His disciples to preach the gospel to every person on earth. This is in contrast to "the Limited Commission" of Matthew 10, wherein the apostles (and later the 70, cf Luke 9:1-6, 10:1) were commanded to preach only to the Jews and forbidden to preach to the Gentiles.

Second, I think it proper to think of the Great Commission in terms of its magnitude. While this commission has remained in force since the time it was given, there are now more than 7 billion people on the planet. Every single person in this great mass of humanity represents a soul. Every single soul is worth more than the whole world (Matt 16:26).

Christians must certainly live and make their way in this world. We must work with our hands to provide for our families, the work of the church, and those in need. We must spend time in worship and personal spiritual development. These are things of absolute necessity.

However, we cannot become so entangled in the peripheral affairs of this life so as to lose our focus on the great task that lies before us. The church alone has the responsibility of preaching the gospel to every person. The task cannot be carried out by religionists who refuse to preach even the most basic and fundamental truths of the message (e.g., the baptism of Jesus for the remission of sins).

The early church accomplished this task in less than forty years (Col 1:5-6, 23) because they went everywhere preaching the word (Acts 8:4). The manifold wisdom of God is made known to the world by the church (Eph 3:9-11). This is God's plan. There is no Plan B.

Church Family News

Young at Heart Potluck—Senior Potluck today, following Bible classes.

Care Bag Ministry— We are gathering gifts to fill Care Bags for our shut-ins and older members to brighten their day and let them know we are thinking of them. If you would like to donate, please place a small personal gift in the bag/bags of your choice on the table in the fellowship room. Care baskets will be delivered in mid-July.

Ready Set Move VBS 2023—Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School on Saturday, July 15th, and learn to Follow Jesus Here, There, and Everywhere! More exciting information to come! Fun for all!

Craft Day—Craft Day will be canceled on June 26th and July 3rd. It will resume on Monday, July 10th, at noon.

Wednesday Evening Dinner—Wednesday Evening Dinner will be canceled on July 5th. We will meet at 7 pm for our Wednesday Evening Bible Study.

Family Potluck—Please join us for our family potluck at noon on Sunday, July 2nd. Bring your favorite dish to share, and enjoy a delicious lunch and the opportunity to fellowship together.

Happy Birthday

Ivan Harris 6/3, Anthony Amoroso 6/4, Jackie Bronsberg 6/5, Jean Walker 6/9, Nancy Gilliam 6/10, Kara Neumann 6/14, Gordon Owsley 6/18, Bryant Clayton 6/20, Lena Stone 6/26, Tes Martin 6/27, Phil Harris 6/29

Wedding Anniversaries

Ezekiel & Ternon Lee 6/5, M.C. & Juanita Bailey 6/7, Bryant & Mariam Clayton 6/9, Walker & Jo Ann Knight 6/9, Chris & Angela Boykin 6/18, Robert & Eula Beasely 6/25, Tom & Kara Neumann 6/28

<u>Prayer Request</u>

Immediate Concerns:

Anthony Ricks - continuing to recover Sharon Moss - health Brian Waterhouse - scheduled for hip replacement surgery on June 26th Lena Stone - scheduled for surgery (July) Taylor Myers - health issues Ken Moran - prostate cancer Levi Abbott - health - in Children's National Hospital Margaret Rose - cancer K.P. Pressey - chemo & radiation

Long Term Concerns:

Regina Clark - MS Keith Bucknam - severe spinal pain Juanita Bailey - health Boisseau family - health India Johnson - health Amy Girimont - health Cheryl Brown - health Abbott Family

Shut-ins

Regina Clark Adassa Duncan

Family & Friends:

Cara Patrick's son - paperwork completed so that their family can be reunited & **stepfather** recovering from heart attack

Kay Himes' nephew, Carl Vandivier & friend, Sigrid Polson-Randolph - cancer Ann Greer's friend, Tammy - health Rene Kassing's grandson, Justin – cancer