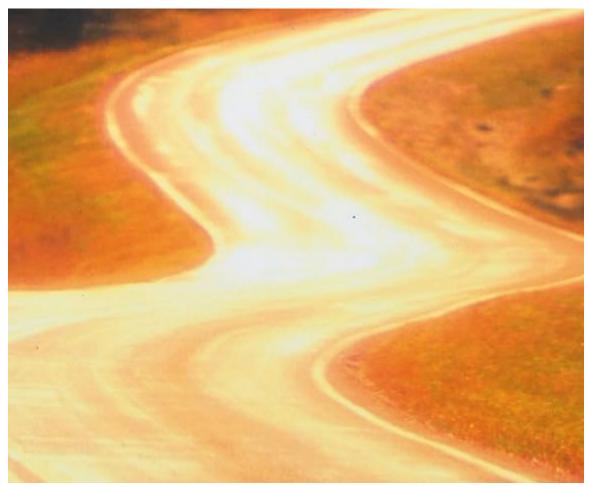


SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025



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## Order of Worship

Prelude Pastorale Max Reger

Donald Anderson, organ

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Stephanie Hamilton

Introit Create in Me a Clean Heart Rev. James Engel

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me, uphold me with thy free Spirit.

~ Psalm 51:10-12

\*Call to Worship

One: As a deer pants for streams of water,

All: Our soul thirsts for you, the living God.

When our tears are our food day and night,

Christ Jesus you weep with us; you are our bread of life.

You refresh and renew us; you call us to be vessels of love.

Holy Spirit, fill us. Flow through us with renewed hope and peace.

\*Hymn 403

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

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\*Prayer of Confession

God made flesh, you show us how to love all persons, yet we restrict our definition of loving our neighbor. You call us to pray for our enemies. When we try to pray for those we fear, and even those we love, we become weary. You beckon us to walk in step with the Holy Spirit, yet we often turn our own way. We stumble along, sometimes cynical, often numb. Forgive us, O God. Cleanse and embolden us, Christ Jesus. Open our hearts and ears to listen, Holy Spirit. Empower us to love with new purpose and steadfast hope.

\*Passing the Peace

Time for Young Disciples Cate Jobe

Children ages 3 years though 5th grade are invited to Children's Chapel. They may be picked up from the playground following worship.

Hymn 410 (vv. 1 & 2)

"God Is Calling through the Whisper"

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<sup>\*</sup>Please rise in body or in spirit.

Prayer for Illumination Rev. Janet Hatfield Legro

Scripture Reading 1 Kings 19:1-16 OT p. 311

Sermon "When Things aren't Working"

Anthem Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God Carl F. Mueller

Summer Choir

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me, uphold me with thy free Spirit.

Then will I teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners will be converted unto Thee.

~ Psalm 51:10-13

\*Affirmation of Faith Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

We are not alone; we live in God's world. We believe in God, who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, to reconcile and make new. We trust in God who calls us to be the church; to love and serve others; to seek justice and resist evil; to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. We affirm that there is more to life than what can be seen and that by the Spirit's presence, God is giving us what we need to be faithful and brave. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God!

(Adapted from the United Church of Canada)

\*Call to Offering

\*Doxology (Prayer of Thanksgiving)

**OLD HUNDREDTH** 

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God, above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*Hymn 377 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" HOUSTON

\*Charge and Benediction Rev. Janet Hatfield Legro

Postlude "Hornpipe" from Water Music (HWV 349)

G. F. Handel

Rev. Janet Hatfield Legro is an old friend of FPC. She is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ and served as a Covenant Pastor in this congregation from 2019 - 2022. Janet and her husband, Jeff, have recently returned from a sabbatical year in London and have resettled in Charlottesville. Janet leads a Centering Prayer group each week and continues her ministry as a spiritual director in the area.





This week's usher team includes: Jim Purser, Madelyn Chewning, Becca Ott, Richard Ott, Stephanie Purser

Elders at the doors: Gary Barranger, Jay Bryson, Charlotte Woodfin

# Please keep in your prayers those with special concerns:

- Susan Anthony (Jane Neer's sister), new diagnosis
- Christi Barranger, health concerns
- Bev Berwick (Jim Berwick's mother), health concerns
- Sarah Campbell (Kit and Pat Campbell's daughter), health concerns
- Dr. Jim Darden, health concerns
- Anne Lintner (Christa Santos' mother), health concerns
- Mary Lynn Lunn, recovering from foot surgery
- Hayley Mathews, recovering from surgery
- John Miller, in hospice care
- Barbara Mitchell (Judy Noble's mother), in hospice care
- Jane Neer, health concerns
- Betty Proffitt (Jenny Morris' mother), health concerns
- Sandra Putbrese (Cortland Putbrese's mother), health concerns
- Sharon Spencer, health concerns
- Amy Starr Redwine, health concerns
- Liese Rohr, recovering from surgery

#### Those Grieving:

- Chet Parsons and Shelly Barrick Parsons on the death of Chet's mother, and Harrison and Eleanor Parsons on the death of their grandmother, Faye Jones, on June 14.
- Sheila Smith on the death of her mother, and Heather and Matt Cooper on the death of Heather's grandmother, Julia Bonham, on June 15.
- Stanley and Sarah Elliott on the death of Stanley's father, and Davis, Graham, and Abigail Elliott on the death of their grandfather, Stanley Elliott, Sr., on June 17.

## We pray for members and family serving in the military:

Tripp Bowles, Jenny Sigel Burkett, Joshua Garber, Zach Kirk, Mason Louthan, Nathan Thomas Meade, Peyton Spivey, Pierce Tarry, and Will Watkins

## How can we pray for you?

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