

WILLIAMSBURG
UNITED
METHODIST
CHURCH

Welcoming Neighbors
Nurturing Faith
Transforming Our World

August 19, 2018

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost



*O God of every nation, of every race and land, redeem your whole creation
with your almighty hand; where hate and fear divide us, and bitter threats are hurled,
in love and mercy guide us, and heal our strife-torn world.*

William W. Reid, Jr., UMH 435

PRELUDE

WINE OF PEACE
(Charles Camilleri)

INTROIT

WALKING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD
(arr. Dean McIntyre)

Summer Choir

*HYMN 539 *red book*

O SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

All who are weary and heavily burdened,

Come to the Water of Life.

All who are longing for peace and for justice,

Come to the Water of Truth.

All who are yearning for love and acceptance,

Come to the Water of Healing and Hope.

All who are listening for God's call and guidance,

Come to the Spring of Life in the Desert.

*OPENING PRAYER

God of grace, fountain of joy and life,

we gather today to give you thanks and seek new life.

We confess that sometimes

we are tired, discouraged, aimless, and scared.

We forget that you are the source of our strength and our life.

Forgive us. Set us right.

In this hour, peel away the scales from our eyes.

Scrape the hardness from our hearts.

**Unclench our spirits, and free us to embrace the power of your love,
for ourselves and for all people. Amen.**

MOMENT OF TEACHING

11:00 a.m.

Please invite our children forward, singing:

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.

Children may depart for The Worship Place in Room 207, or return to their seats. 11:00 A.M. ONLY

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 56:1-7 (686 OT)

For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us...

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

ACTS 8:26-38 (127 NT)

SERMON

THE ODD COUPLE OF ACTS

Rev. Helen Casey-Rutland

*HYMN 2218 *black book*

YOU ARE MINE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

PRAYER RESPONSE

WATER, RIVER, SPIRIT GRACE
(O.I. Cricket Harrison)

Summer Choir

OFFERTORY

Blest Are They
(David Haas)

Summer Choir

*DOXOLOGY 94 *red book*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 2172 *black book*

WE ARE CALLED

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

AS WE PART FOR TOWNS AND CITIES
(Jackson Henry)

Summer Choir

*POSTLUDE

TOCCATA
(Johann Krueger)

**congregation standing as able*

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the Glory of God in honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of their marriage on August 31, 1968 of Roger and Elane Strange.

THIS ALSO IS OUR WORSHIP

THIS WEEK AT WUMC

Today

8:15 Worship Service

9:15-11:00 Atrium Refreshments

9:30 Small Groups, Youth Group,
Sunday School

11:00 Worship Service
The Worship Place

Monday, 8/20

6:00 Safe Sanctuaries Training

6:30 Communication

7:00 Stephen Ministry

Tuesday, 8/21

5:30 Worship

Thursday, 8/23

6:00 Trustees

WELCOME! WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

We invite you to participate in all the ministries and activities of the congregation. Join us for coffee and fellowship in the Atrium before and after Sunday School.

If you are a first-time guest, we invite you to fill out the pink card in the pew rack and take it to the Atrium after worship where you will receive a "Welcome Gift."

Opportunity for Remembrance

The Worship Committee has purchased a few new hymnals to replace worn ones and would like to extend to the congregation the opportunity to place one in honor of or in memory of a loved one, family member, etc. Please submit a \$25 check made out to WUMC, with HYMNAL in the memo line. Include this notice with the name or names below as you wish them to appear on the bookplate and return to the church office. No more than three names per hymnal. Questions? Call Nancy Reynolds (229-1771).

If you choose both memory and honor for a hymnal, please annotate by each name you list with either m or h.

This Hymnal Presented to the Glory of God
in memory of and/or in honor of:

By _____

Phone# _____

Training Tomorrow: Safe Sanctuaries

If you are paid staff or a volunteer with children, youth and/or vulnerable adults, you will need to attend a Safe Sanctuaries Training event Monday, August 20, 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner will be provided. Please confirm your attendance by contacting Cindy Banek (229-1771). A make-up date is scheduled for Friday, September 7 from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Annual Church Picnic Next Sunday

Sunday, August 26, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. New Quarter Park, Queens Lake

Crafts and games, potluck dinner at 5:00 p.m., closing Celebration Time. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. The church will provide beverages, fried chicken and hamburgers. All are invited to attend!



Children

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Nursery available all
Sunday morning
Room 203

Worship Activity Bags
available outside
Sanctuary doors

All Children Are Welcome at WUMC.
If you are a visitor or guest, we invite you to join in!

Youth Group

Sunday: Join us this morning in the Youth Center at 9:30 a.m. as we dive into "*Monsters Inc*" and face our fears; popcorn included. **Sunday Evening:** Join us this evening at Kilwins on Prince George Street for ice cream from 6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m.

Kid's Morning Out



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Register your children, ages 12-30 months

by September 30, 2018 at
<http://www.williamsburgumc.org/connect/youth-children> or you may contact Laura Pittman, Director (229-1771)

Blessing of Kid's Morning Out September 6, 5:45 p.m.

Join us for a brief ceremony to bless our program, teachers and facilities before we open our doors! All are welcome to attend. We would love your support as we kick off our school year!

For Enrolled Families:

Paperwork Appointments will be held August 21 – September 5. If you haven't signed up for a timeslot, please see Laura Pittman.

Volunteers Needed

If you have an interest in sharing God's love with children, we want you! The children's ministry is seeking leaders and helpers for The Worship Place during 11:00 worship. Safe Sanctuaries training will be provided for those who have not received it. Contact Martha Hernandez (229-1771).

Ministries

Join us September 9 for a brand-new year of Sunday School! The Worship Space for children ages 3 – 5th grade continues to happen during the 11:00 a.m. service. Questions? Contact Martha Hernandez, Director (229-1771).

Register Now for ECMS!

ECMS Registration is open for the 2018-2019 year. Children should be 2 months – 7+ years by September 30. Multiple levels of group piano and guitar for adults are also available. For more information contact Anthony Williams (229-1771 Ext 108)

Music

Joyful Noise Ringers (gr 2-6)

Bells of Praise (gr 7-12)

Canticles of Praise (gr 7-12)

Praise Band (gr 6-12)

Wesley Choir (gr 1-6)

For fall enrollment, Contact Anthony Williams, Director (229-1771)

Youth



School Supplies

Place donations in the designated Atrium closet through the end of August. Thanks!

- **Wide-ruled or college ruled black & white composition notebooks**
- *Back packs, large enough to fit a lunch box and school supplies – no wheels*
- *Wide-ruled or college ruled loose leaf paper ●24 and 48 box crayons ●Colored pencils*
- *3-ring binders, 1", 2", especially 3" ● 5 or 8 tab divider sets for binders*
- *Pocket folders, with or without brads ●Boxes or packs of tissues*
- *Glue sticks and liquid glue ●Sticky note pads ●Washable markers ●Highlighters*
- *#2 yellow wooden pencils or mechanical pencils ●Pencil pouches, boxes or cases*
- *Ballpoint pens, blue or black ●Rectangular erasers or pencil top erasers*
- *3 x 5 ruled white index cards ●Black dry erase markers*
- *2 or 4 gigabyte flash drives for working on computers*
- *Children's blunt tipped or sharp scissors*

United Methodist Women

Williamsburg United Methodist Women invite all the ladies, especially those with children, to join us for our Ice Cream Social on Sunday, September 16, 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Grandchildren, Wesley students and men are welcome, too. Betty Forbes, Trustee of Ferrum College, will speak about the 150th Anniversary of UMW and their amazing legacy, locally, nationally and globally. Child care will be available during Betty Forbes presentation. Please call the Church Office if child care is needed.

The UMW book club will meet Monday, September 10 at the home of Carol Brinkley, 207 Old Cart Road. Those who are working toward a Plan 1, 2, 3 or 4 Certificate, submit your report to Carol by August 31.

Servant Leaders For 2019

The best church leader is a team of diverse talents, skills, experiences, strengths and abilities. Our shared faith, goals and respect will guide us to effectively support and lead our church. NOMINATIONS for servant leaders for 2019 will begin in September and will be completed with the election of church leaders at the Fall Charge Conference. Complete an online Servant Leaders Interest Form <http://www.williamsburgumc.org/se/rve/at-wumc> or complete a form available at the Connections Corner Desk by September 1. Please pray that God can use your availability to serve as a church leader at WUMC in 2019 and beyond.

Church in the World Committee is being formed, under the auspices of the Church Council, to address the missional priorities and justice-related ministries of WUMC by addressing their systemic causes through faithful advocacy, education and action. The committee will be guided by the *Social Principles* of the UMC in the *Book of Discipline*. Please complete a "Servant Leader" form online at our church website (see above) or a printed form available at the Connection Corner.

CARE Committee...

...will provide rides to the doctor, helps with funeral receptions or will provide help when you are sick. **August** coordinators are Gloria Daniel (253-1107) and Sue Steberl (565-5907). If you need **CARE**, please let the coordinators know at least 2 days in advance to arrange for assistance.

Reconciling Evolution & Faith

Senior Pastor's midweek Bible Study begins Wednesday, September 5 and Thursday, September 6. How do Christians make sense of evolution or the Big Bang next to the claims of Jesus and the creation accounts of Genesis? These questions are much more than merely intellectual; they stretch to the deepest level of Christian faith.

ReCharge Dinners begin on September 5.

TODAY'S SERVICE

Clergy: Helen Casey-Rutland, Bob Parsons, Max Blalock

Director of Music Ministries: Lou-Anne Smith

Guest Organist: Sue Hunter

Readers 8:15: Gwen Hamrick **11:00:** Karen McPherson

Greeters 8:15: Buddy and Brenda Cockrell **11:00:** Hasbrouck and Mera Hughes

Ushers 8:15: John Ayscue, Al Horine, Liam Joyner, Bill Mershon, Dick Morgan, Bob Simmons, Carrie van Leliveld **11:00:** Joye Barnes, Lee Barnes, Gene Bruss, Richard Coggins, Donna Coggins, Kay Colton, Wil Colton, Bill Hill, Barbara Monteith, Marty Monteith, Bob Spencer

Sound System 8:15: Lyman Hubbard **11:00:** Roger Helmick

Worship Attendance463
Sunday School..... 119

Campus Ministry

The Wesley Foundation Board is looking forward to the arrival of new students August 24 and the start of another academic year. As their campus ministry partner, we are looking for volunteers to serve on the board in the following roles: missions/service, campus and community communications, endowment advisor and property advisor. Please contact Pastor Meghan Roth Clayton mclayton@williamsburgumc.org

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Bill Jones, *Senior Pastor* (x 260)

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Andy Glascott, *Youth Director* (x 259)

Anthony Williams, *Assoc. Dir. of Music for Children and Youth and Dir. Early Childhood Music School* (x 108)

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Martha Hernandez, *Director of Children's Ministry* (x 359)

Max Blalock, *W&M Campus Minister* (229-6832)

Welcome To
WILLIAMSBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
We Are Glad You Are Here!

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Children can find soft **activity bags** just outside the Sanctuary.

Large print bulletins and **assisted listening devices** are available from the ushers. Those with a **"t-coil"** switch in their hearing aids can simply activate the switch.

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES, GROUPS, AND BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL AGES 9:30 a.m.

Look inside or ask at Connection Corner just inside the parking lot entrance.

Visitors and guests are always welcome in every class and group!

MESSY CHURCH 2nd TUESDAY EACH MONTH

5:30 p.m.

Come as you are for all ages and families—crafts, games, music, dinner and more!

CHILDREN of all ages are always welcome in worship!

Nursery care for ages 3 and under is available all Sunday morning in the Nursery, Room 203.

Children ages 4 years old through 5th grade are invited to ***The Worship Place***, in Room 207 after the Moment of Teaching during the 11:00 a.m. service.

YOUTH GROUP grades 6-12 meets Sundays 9:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Center, Room 180.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

A Welcome Folder and brochures about church ministries are available at Connection Corner by the parking lot entrance and just inside the Jamestown Road entrance. Our website is filled with detailed information about our church, ministries, people, events and much more.

Check us out on www.williamsburgumc.org

INTERESTED IN BEING A PART OF WUMC?

Periodically we have an introductory meet and greet CONNECT 101 on Sunday morning in the Parlor, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Watch the church bulletin for the next date, complete the blue card in the pew rack and place in the offering plate, fill out on line or contact the Church Office.

PRAYER

Share prayer concerns on prayer cards located at the Jamestown Road entrance, at Connection Corner, in the pew racks, or by submitting the online prayer request on the Church website.

Prayer concerns will be added to the prayer chain and shared with the pastors and intercessory prayer group.

PASTORAL CONCERNS

We are a Stephen Ministry Church and provide trained, strictly confidential lay pastoral care for our congregation and community. Call one of the Pastors for information on how you can be connected to one of our Stephen Ministers.