

WILLIAMSBURG
UNITED
METHODIST
CHURCH

Welcoming Neighbors
Nurturing Faith
Transforming Our World

March 10, 2019

First Sunday in Lent

Encounters with Christ:
Men and Women of Faith



“Lent is a time for discipline, for confession, for honesty, not because God is mean or fault-finding or finger-pointing but because God wants us to know the joy of being cleaned out, ready for all the good things God now has in store.”

— N.T. Wright

PRELUDE

THE POWER OF THE CROSS

(arr. Peggy Bettcher)

In Nomine Dei 8:15 a.m.

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

(arr. Peggy Bettcher)

Covenant Ringers 11:00 a.m.

INTROIT

THE GIFT OF LOVE

(Traditional English Melody)

Sanctuary Choir 8:15 a.m.

INTROIT No. 1

(Emily Borling)

Bells of Praise 11:00 a.m.

*HYMN 117 *red book*

O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come! Dwell in the shelter of God, the shelter of holy love.

Trust in Christ Jesus, our Refuge and our Strength.

Abide in God's house, the household of love.

In God we dwell secure.

*OPENING PRAYER

**God, our Guide and Guardian,
lead us on this journey of faith.**

Through the days and weeks of Lent,

help us walk your path to the cross;

strengthen us to resist the demons that would lead us astray.

Walk with us, Christ Jesus.

Be our shelter and our salvation,

even as we seek to be your disciples. Amen.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

THE HEAVENS ARE TELLING

(Mark Patterson)

Canticles of Praise 11:00 a.m.

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.

EPISTLE LESSON

ROMANS 10:8B-15 (160 NT)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

JOHN 4:5-30, 39-42 (94 NT)

SERMON

Meeting Jesus at the Well

Rev. Bill Jones

*HYMN 156 *red book*

I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY

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

IN CHRIST ALONE

(Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend)

Sanctuary Choir

OFFERTORY

OUT OF THE DEPTHS

(Richard Frost)

Sanctuary Choir

*DOXOLOGY 95 *red book*

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

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 568 *red book*

CHRIST FOR THE WORLD WE SING

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

AN IRISH BLESSING

(H. Hallström)

Sanctuary Choir

*POSTLUDE

FUGUE-FINALE ON "ST. ANNE"

(Paul Manz)

This year's **Daily Lenten Devotions** are from the Society of St. Andrew, a ministry devoted to ending worldwide hunger. "Seasons of Joy and Gladness" is available in the Narthex and at the Connection Corner desk.

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

Monday, 3/11

5:15 Orchestra Practice
6:30 Local Outreach
7:00 WUMM Book Group

Tuesday, 3/12

11:00 Bell Choir

Wednesday, 3/13

5:30 Recharge
6:00 Discipleship Classes
7:00 Sr. Pastor Bible Study

Thursday, 3/14

10:30 Sr. Pastor Bible Study
5:30 Bell Choir
7:00 Sanctuary Choir

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."

Senior Pastor's Bible Study

"Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week," will begin Wednesday evenings and Thursday mornings March 13/14. Authored by Amy-Jill Levine, we will delve into the history surrounding the last days of Jesus' life through her DVD and study book. From Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem to his prayerful agony in Gethsemane, Levine brings forward aspects and details that open doors for beginners as well as seasoned readers of the Bible. She shows how the text raises ethical and spiritual questions for the reader, and how we all face risk in our Christian experience.

Recharge Dinner

Join us on March 13, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. for a delicious dinner of *beef taco casserole, cornbread and dessert*. The cost for the meal is only \$6/adult, \$3/child (ages 3-12) with a \$20.00 family maximum. Please make a reservation online at <http://www.williamsburgumc.org/connect/recharge-wednesday>, call the Church Office by noon on Tuesday or by completing a dinner form found at Connection Corner or in the Sanctuary pew racks.

Our Lenten Offering

Each year members and friends of Williamsburg United Methodist Church make a special offering during the season of Lent. This year's recipients from **Global Outreach** are:

- UMCOR Sunday
- Abukloi - We Can!
- Methodist Border Friendship Commission

From Local Outreach are:

- The Williamsburg House of Mercy
- Literacy for Life
- Summer Meals for Kids

For more detailed information, please see the March issue of *The Messenger*.



Youth

Children

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!

LEARN, GROW, MAKE FRIENDS

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

We have classes for preschool through 5th grade.

Room 207-Preschoolers

Room 302-Kindergarten through 2nd grade

Room 301-3rd grade through 5th grade

Confirmation Class

Pastor Meghan and Youth Director Andy invite youth in the 8th grade, and 9th-12th who have not been confirmed, to participate in our 2019 Confirmation Class. This class offers an opportunity for people to recognize God's work of grace in their lives and embrace being disciples of Jesus Christ. Pastor Meghan will hold an interest meeting during the Sunday School hour, 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 17 in Room 161. Confirmation sessions will be held May 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in Rm. 180-182. Recharge dinner will be provided at no cost to the participants. Confirmation Sunday will be on Pentecost Sunday, June 9.

Youth Group

Morning: Join us this morning 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Center, Rm. 180. Mission moment with Pastor Meghan and we will assist her with a Children's Sunday School class.

Evening: Join us at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Center, Rm. 180 to watch Andy's Zambia trip videos building a home in Lusaka for Habitat for Humanity.

Next Sunday: St Patrick's Day! Breathe Café will be feasting on some Irish food (freshly baked in house) and enjoying some Irish shenanigans - 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. (note earlier start time). Bring a mixing bowl.

Please hold Andy, Michael and Parker in your prayers over the weekend as they participate in the York River District retreat.

You Are Invited

Parents of Little Ones (POLOs) will host a group discussion Wednesday, March 20, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. in the Den. We will talk about potty training (tips for success, hearing from other parents, and sharing what worked for you) and introducing a new sibling! These two areas can be challenging for families and we want to help. This is open to ANY parent or caregiver in the community. Join us.

Children

Youth



United Methodist Women

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE: March 12, 10:30 a.m. Den.

CAROL SCOTT CIRCLE: March 12, 1:00 p.m. Den.

SISTERS-IN-FAITH CIRCLE: March 12, 7:00 p.m. Rm 309.

WILLIAMSBURG LANDING CIRCLE: March 19, 10:30 a.m. Williamsburg Landing, Main Building, 1st floor, next to kitchen.

UMW Sunday

Please plan to participate with us for our annual Williamsburg United Methodist Women's Sunday on March 24. We are proud to welcome Rev. Nancy Robinson as our guest speaker for a service focused on the legacy of the United Methodist Women's 150-year history. Join us for a birthday celebration in the Atrium after each service for coffee and birthday cake – we're 150 years old this year and proud of it!

United Methodist Women's Service Project – Blood Drive

In commemoration of the 150th birthday of United Methodist Women, our Williamsburg UMW unit will host a blood drive with the American Red Cross on Saturday, March 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. You may secure an appointment for your donation by registering online at redcrossblood.org Sponsor Code: Williamsburg UMC or by signing up at the Crossroads Table between services on Sunday March 24. Our goal is 30 pints of blood. Your single donation can save up to 3 lives. Help us to reach our goal and be in service to our community!

Messy Church in March

Our next Messy Church will be Tuesday, March 12 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Our theme for March is, "Dusty Drawing, based on a story found in John 8:1-11 about forgiveness, kindness and friendship. Who is the kindest person you know? How can we follow the example of Jesus and reach out to others who are in need of a kind word or a friendly hand? And why was Jesus writing words in the sand? Come to Messy Church, and we will learn more about this story through Messy crafts (using items from the trash!), Messy games (throwing something really messy!) and of course, our always unpredictable "Celebration Time." Dinner this month will be breakfast: pancakes with all the fixings. Messy Church is free, and we invite you to join us! Any questions about Messy Church, please contact Cindy Banek (229-1771).



Periodically we have an introductory meet and greet, CONNECT 101, on Sunday morning in the Parlor from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. The next opportunity will be Sunday, March 31. Join us! Simply complete the blue card in the pew rack and place in the offering plate or contact the Church Office (229-1771).

Silver Saints in March

The next meeting of the Silver Saints will be Wednesday, March 13 at noon in Fellowship Hall. Please bring \$1.00 for the fried chicken and a side dish or dessert to share and donations for FISH, our local food pantry. Scott Brubaker from Apex Physical Therapy will discuss the benefits of Physical Therapy, especially for people who suffer from dementia such as Alzheimer's Disease. There will be plenty of time for questions after the presentation. Silver Saints is a fellowship group for those 50 plus years-old. We enthusiastically welcome new people. If you have questions, please call Eloy Villa (564-0083).

Book Club

The UMW Book Club will meet on Monday, March 11, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Susan Griffin, 116 Heathery, in Ford's Colony. We will be reading and discussing from the Leadership Development category *Because I am a Girl, I can Change the World*, by Rosemary McCarney with Jen Albaugh and Plan International. All are welcome. Questions? Contact Carol Brinkley (258-0617) or cpbrinkley@aol.com

TODAY'S SERVICE

Clergy: Bill Jones, Meghan Roth Clayton

Director of Music Ministries: Lou-Anne Smith

Assoc. Dir. of Music for Children and Youth: Anthony Williams

Organist: Tom Marshall

Readers 8:15: Ann Hardister **11:00:** Linda Rhodes

Greeters 8:15: Hal and Anne Campbell **11:00:** Linda Jones, Marilyn Riddle

Ushers 8:15: Scott Hunter, Mike Johnson, Valerie Lamb, Bill Mershon, Carrie van Leliveld **11:00:** Dick Bennett, Jen Bradley, Rick Cason, Wil Colton, Bill Hill, Mel Jones, Ian Kersey, Linda Logerwell, Rhoda-Jo Stress, John Tressler, J.D. Tressler, Ashton Whitaker, Brent Whitaker, Price Whitaker

Sound System 8:15: Jimmy McCarter **11:00:** Roger Helmick

Worship Attendance.....531
Sunday School 252

The deadline for

This Also Is Our Worship is Tuesday, 5:00 p.m.

CARE Committee...

...will provide rides to the doctor, helps with funeral receptions or will provide help when you are sick. Jan Boykin (565-2950) and Sally Burri (565-9893) are the March coordinators. If you need **CARE**, please let the coordinators know at least 2 days in advance to arrange for assistance.

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Cindy Banek, Dir. of Adult Discipleship & Christian Ed. (x 258)

Lou-Anne Smith, Director of Music Ministries (x 107)

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

Andy Glascott, Youth Director (x 259)

Nancy Reynolds, Administrative Assistant (x 252)

Greg Whiteside, Facilities Manager (x 355)

Laura Pittman, Director Kids Morning Out (x208)

Meghan Roth Clayton, Associate Pastor (x261)

Helen Casey-Rutland, Min. of Congregational Care (x 357)

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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. Please sit in the outer edges of pews located on the floor facing the Chancel.

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.

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?

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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.