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As Americans take to the roads for cookouts at the lake this weekend, we here in Williamsburg again get to contemplate a unique irony: celebrating our nation’s independence from a foreign power...in said foreign power’s foreign colonial capital! Of course, we as Christians always have plenty to contemplate with respect to freedom and independence.

What is the nature of freedom? Surely there’s more to it than being able to have whatever our hearts desire? Join us this Sunday as we explore an image Pastor Meghan raised last Sunday – the yoke that Jesus offers to all who choose to follow him (Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30). Perhaps together we can explore what it means to be set free to live truthfully!
IN OUR OWN BACKYARD!
4th of July Events in Colonial Williamsburg

As the 4th of July approaches, we thought we’d share that our beautiful neighborhood of Colonial Williamsburg will be abuzz with vibrant family activities and patriotic festivities throughout the weekend. It's a fantastic opportunity for us to enjoy the spirit of the holiday right in our own backyard!

As a church deeply rooted in our community, we cherish every opportunity to connect with our members and neighbors beyond the walls of our church. We truly hope that our paths cross at one of the exciting community events happening over the long weekend!

Wishing you a blessed Independence Day, filled with joy, peace, and the presence of loved ones. May we all embrace the spirit of freedom and unity that this special day represents.

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MUSIC MINISTRY

WORSHIP MUSIC

The music this Sunday, July 2, spans many years and genres! Our organist, Tom Marshall will play late Renaissance and Baroque selections from Gabrieli (1533-1585); Couperin (1668-1733), and Handel (1685-1759) for service music.

The opening hymn is “Christ for the World We Sing” (1769) and the closing
The Summer Choir’s anthem is a combination of the same text set by two different composers: “There’s a Spirit in the Air” by John Wilson (1979) and Richard Redhead (1853). Brian Wren wrote this text in 1969, and you will most likely be familiar with the second tune by Redhead.

**ADULT FELLOWSHIP**

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

It’s not too late to join these studies during the Sunday School Hour. To get connected with any of these classes, contact Deacon Troy here.

**Marvin Willard Adult Sunday School**
When: 9:30-10:30 am
Where: Room 174 or via Zoom
Invitation to Genesis Disciple Bible Study
Zoom Meeting ID: 898 9889 4713 | Passcode: 172197

**Walking the Footsteps Small Group Experience**
When: 9:30-10:30 am
Where: Room 160
A Small Group gathering for a deepened experience of the Christian journey of faith.

**Bishop McKendree Adult Sunday School**
We’ll be returning from Summer Break on September 10th to share our stories and summer adventures!
**Searchers Adult Sunday School**
**When:** 9:30-10:30 am  
**Where:** Room 309 or via Zoom  
Invitation to Psalms Disciple Bible Study  
Meeting ID: 879 6350 3829 | Passcode: 595342

**Aldersgate Fellowship Adult Sunday School**
**When:** 9:30-10:30 am  
**Where:** Wesley Hall  
Facts, Stories and Songs with Dianne Colton

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**SUMMER BIBLE STUDY STARTS NEXT WEEK!**

**When:** Begins July 5th at 7:00 pm onsite and July 6th at 10:30 am on Zoom  
**Where:** Fellowship Hall & Zoom

Grab your Bible and join us for our Pastors’ Summer Study: “Untraveled Waters: Navigating the Greatest Bible Stories You Never Heard.”

Through some intentionally less-than-familiar passages, we will learn together how “all scripture is inspired by God and is useful” (as Paul says in 2 Timothy 3:16).

We launch in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, July 5 at 7:00 pm; the same study will also take place online beginning Thursday, July 6 at 10:30 am.

**Zoom Meeting ID:** 856 6443 3476  
**Passcode:** 615816

We will paddle for six weeks, and you are welcome to glide between studies if it suits your schedule.
experience and the guidance of the Holy Spirit! Hope to see you!

Biblical novices are always welcome, and this time we can just about promise that there will be surprises for everybody in the Bible’s least explored backwaters.

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SUNDAY’S WORSHIP LEADERS

**Worship Leaders:** Dave Rochford, Troy Sims, Zach Griggs  
**Director of Worship Arts:** Lou-Anne Smith  
**Organist:** Tom Marshall  
**Readers 8:15:** Mike Starry | **11:00:** Nathalie Bacskay  
**Acolyte 8:15:** Linda Upshaw | **11:00:** Ella Bullock  
**Assisting with Communion 8:15:** Ginger Barr, Bo Bohannon, Wendy Geiger, Terri Morgan | **11:00:** Linda Baker, Gerald Bullock, Betsy Harrison, Karen Red  
**Greeters 8:15:** Joyce Hedgepeth, Steve Tingen | **11:00:** Mary Jane Harper, Deborah Hewitt  
**Sound and Livestream:** Todd Lindley, Lily Alexander, Anthony Williams

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SERVICE TIMES

We offer in-person worship in the Sanctuary on Sunday at 8:15 am and 11:00 am, and livestream our 11:00 am services.

Our goal at WUMC is to provide the means for us all to worship in a way that keeps our loved ones and ourselves safe! You are welcome to wear a mask at any of our services if you desire; these will be provided at our Hospitality/Welcome Desk on request. With respect to Communion, we are pleased to offer several means to receive the elements, including a gluten-free option. We will share about these prior to and during Communion services.

**Worship Online**
If you are not able to attend in-person, we invite you to enjoy the livestream online. You can watch at any of the below locations during our 11:00am service.

**Watch on our Website**
**Watch through our Facebook Page**
**Watch through our Youtube Channel**

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**Did you Record That?**
We sure did! If you missed the Livestream Worship Services, recordings are available on our website. Visit the LiveStream Services page under Worship or click here for **Service Recordings**. Here you will not only find the current service, but also a playlist from services past.

To request a hard copy of the Pastors' Sermons please email info@williamsburgumc.org.

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