

Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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**Can I not do with you,
just as this potter has done?
says the LORD.**



**Just like the clay in
the potter's hand,
so are you in my hand.**

Jeremiah 18.6

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 8, 2013, 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

The Prelude

*Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

*The Call to Worship

The Lord has examined me and he knows me.

The Lord knows everything I do, and he understands all my thoughts.

The Lord's knowledge of me is too deep.

It is beyond my understanding.

Come, let us worship God who has complete knowledge of us.

*Hymn

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

UMH 117

The Opening Prayer

Awesome God, we marvel at your complete knowledge of us, and cannot comprehend how, knowing us so fully, you still depend on us to carry out your will. Humbly we come before you to offer our prayers of thanksgiving, and to beseech you to fill us with your Holy Spirit that we might be molded into disciples worthy of your trust. **Amen.**

Time of Sharing and Prayer

Celebrations of God's Grace and Prayer Concerns

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer (UMH 895)

The Children's Message

*Hymn

"He Touched Me"

UMH 367

Prayer for Illumination

Holy and merciful God, we have come to hear your word. Help us to bear it. Break down in us all that resists your will and plant in us a willingness to turn, for we would live; we would be your disciples. By your Spirit, come to us, now, in ancient texts, in everyday visions, in the need of our neighbor; we pray in the name of Jesus, our light. **Amen.**

The Scripture Reading – Jeremiah 18:1-11

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This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Message

The Receiving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Response: *"In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful"* (2x)

In the Lord, I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near,

Lift up your voices: the Lord is near.

***The Doxology** (UMH 95)

***The Prayer of Dedication:** Loving God, you know your children of every race and nationality. You understand our needs even better than we ourselves. Today we present our gifts and ourselves to be used by you in meeting those needs in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. **Amen.**

***Hymn**

"Trust and Obey"

UMH 467

***The Charge and Blessing:**

Go into this week rejoicing that your life is blessed by God's creative love; that your heart is filled with Jesus' discerning love; that your mind is inspired by the Holy Spirit's empowering love.

May God make safe to you each step, May God open to you each door, May God make clear to you each road. May God enfold you in loving arms. **Amen.**

Postlude

"Bless the Lord" (2X)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's Holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Assisting with Worship Today:

Scripture Reader: Lucy Willard (8:30am)

Greeter: Linda Newton (8:30am)

Stephenie Newton (11:00am)

Assisting with Worship September 15:

Scripture Reader: Pam Hunter (8:30am)

Greeter: Stephenie Newton (11:00am)

Please volunteer to read scripture, serve as a greeter, teach children's church or give a brief children's message during the worship service.

All Sundays in September and October are open.

All are Welcome to our service of worship this morning. We are glad you are here. Our hope is that you will feel God's blessing during this time with us.



Our Vision is to be a beacon in the name of Jesus Christ to the world, to make disciples of Jesus Christ and to send them forth to proclaim God's Word and serve God's will everywhere and always.

Our Mission: "19Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." -- Matthew 28:19-20

MINISTERS:

PRESIDING BISHOP:

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

PASTOR:

LAY LEADER:

MUSICIAN:

All Members
Young Jin Cho
Theodore Smith
Michael B. Reaves
Marie Williams
Gwen Henderson



THIS WEEK AT CHURCH: September 8 - 15, 2013

TODAY Loose Change Collection
8:30am Worship
9:45pm Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Upcoming:

Thursday, 9/19 Picnic Shelter Reserved (Girl Scouts) (6pm)
Friday, 9/20 Serve Dinner at the Thurman Brisben Center (4pm)
Saturday, 9/21 Church Fish Fry (4:00pm)
Sunday, 10/27 Homecoming
Wednesday, 11/13 Charge Conference at Trinity UMC (7:00pm)

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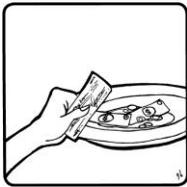
All are Welcome to our service of worship this morning. We are glad you are here. There are welcome cards located in the pews. Please take a moment to fill one out and place it into the offering plate during the collection. Our hope is that you will feel God's blessing during this time with us.

It's Not Too Late! Get your picture taken or submit a photo for the Church Directory. Everyone's participation is appreciated and encouraged.

The Fredericksburg District Fall 2013 UMVIM Team will hold its first team meeting for anyone interested in the November 2013 trip to El Salvador. The meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 22nd at 3pm at Fredericksburg UMC. For more information, contact Gail Mabe at 540-845-2674.

The Loose Change Offering is collected by the children on the Second Sunday of each month. These gifts will go to Heifer International whose mission is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth. By giving families a hand-up, not just a hand-out, the Heifer Project empowers them to turn lives of hunger and poverty into self-reliance and hope. With gifts of livestock and training, Heifer Projects help families improve their nutrition and generate income in sustainable ways.





God uses money as a testimony in the lives of His people.

“But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well” (Matt. 6:33).

Visits from the Pastor: If you desire a visit or know someone who needs a visit please be sure to speak to the Pastor, give him a note or call the church office.

Surgery or Hospitalization: Please let Pastor Mike know when you have a surgery scheduled, especially if you would like him to pray with you before or after the procedure. Also, if you know of a church friend or member who is in the hospital, don't assume the pastor knows. Call and let him know so he can offer pastoral care where it is needed.

Prayer List

The congregation and guests of Fletcher's Chapel and our community;
Those who are having difficulties in their marriages;
The people and refugees of Afghanistan and Iraq;
The residents and staff of the Thurman Brisben Center;
Missionaries throughout the world; Our men and women in service;
Those working with the incarcerated; Our Bishop and his cabinet.

Wesley Berry, Colleen Bowie, Dave & Dee Campbell, Barbara Canaday,
Delores Coates, Faye Coates, John Coates, Audrey Davenport,
Christine Holdren, Pam Hunter, Gwen Henderson, Bryan McGhee, Mike Nave,
Pat Pelletier, Brad Pruett, Chuck Rabbitt, Hubert Roberson,
Clifton Seay, Shirley Sigert, Claude Stevens

Prayer Request Cards are available in the pew racks. Please fill one out and place it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor after the service.