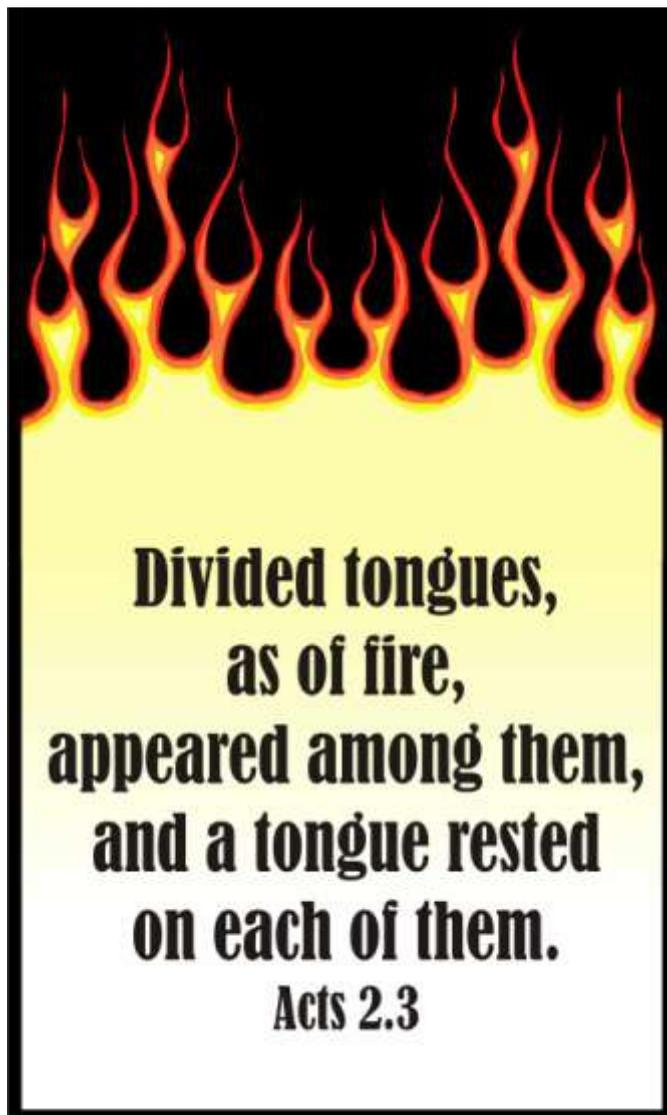


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The Prelude

*Chiming of the Hour

*The Call to Worship

Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of remembrance.

We remember fallen soldiers, and the sacrifice they made for the sake of others.

Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of thanksgiving.

We thank God for brave men and women that have given their lives so that we may worship without fear.

Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of silence; for a moment is the least we can do for those that gave their eternity.

The Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn

“America (My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”)

UMH 697

The Opening Prayer

God of every nation, as we remember those that gave their life for our sake, let us be stirred to action in their memory. We confess that we have not done all that is possible to promote peace and justice in our world. We have not loved our neighbors, let alone our enemies. Forgive us for failing to live up to your commandments. Empower us to work for your Kingdom in this world, and welcome us by your grace into your Kingdom in the next. **Amen.**

Time of Sharing and Prayer

Celebrations of God’s Grace and Prayer Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer (UMH 895)

The Children’s Message

*Hymn

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

UMH 496

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Spirit, come again. As long ago you inspired, astonished, and confused the people, come to us now to fill our ears with the sound of your breath, fill our eyes with the brilliance of your presence in each other, and fill our hearts with your good Word. **Amen.**

The First Scripture Reading –Romans 8:22-27

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The Second Scripture Reading – Acts 2:1-21

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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:** God of mercy, we give you thanks for all that your bounty creates. The gifts we bring today acknowledge our debt to you and our intent to relieve others of their burdens. Bless what we offer and bless those who will be shown deeds of power through them; in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

***Hymn**

"O Spirit of the Living God"

UMH 539

***The Charge and Blessing:**

Jesus did not leave us without hope but sent the Holy Spirit to nurture faith and love in this world. Live this vision in all that you do: respond to rancor with kindness, be patient where there is pain, and let your dreams become reality. Peace be with you.

The Holy Spirit has come to inhabit this world with freedom, truth, and understanding. You are not alone. May God keep you and make your prayers bear fruit. **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.*

All are Welcome to our service of worship this morning. We are glad you are here. Please take a moment to fill out a welcome card and place it into the offering plate during the collection. We hope you will feel God's blessing during this time together.

Assisting with Worship

Scripture Readers:

Greeters:

Today:

Tina Lauber (8:30)

Stephenie Newton (8:30)

May 31:

Pam Hunter (8:30)



Can You Help? Volunteers are needed to read Scripture, deliver children's messages, and serve as greeters. Please see the sign-up sheets which are on the front center pew.



Kits For Conference: Kit's are being collected conducted to replenish the UMCOR supply. Copies of the instruction for assembling the kits are listed in the special insert and on the table in the sanctuary entrance.

About Fletcher's Chapel Church

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

Contact us by email: Pastor Mike is at reaves.michael.b@gmail.com
The church address is fletcherschapel@verizon.net

Our website is at www.fletcherschapel-kinggeorge-va.org and let us know what you think!

"Like" us on Facebook: If you are a Facebook user, help spread the word about Fletcher's Chapel's page. Search for "Fletcher's Chapel UMC-King George, VA" and when you find our page, click "Like" so you can keep up with the latest news and events at Fletcher's Chapel.

MINISTERS:

PRESIDING BISHOP:

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

PASTOR:

LAY LEADER:

MUSICIAN:

All Members
Young Jin Cho
Theodore Smith
Michael B. Reaves
Marie Williams
Elizabeth Pruett

This Week: May 24 - 31, 2015

TODAY	<u>Day of Prayer for Church Renewal</u>
	8:30am Worship
	9:45am Sunday School
	11:00am Worship
Monday, 5/25	<u>Memorial Day</u>
Friday, 5/29	4:00pm Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center
Saturday, 5/30	<u>Cultural Awareness Event at Tabernacle UMC</u>
Sunday, 5/31	8:30am Worship
	9:45am Sunday School
	11:00am Worship

Upcoming:

Wednesday, 6/3	9:30am Heritage Hall Nursing Home Ministry
Sunday, 6/7	<u>Holy Communion/Canned Food Collection</u>
	<u>Recognition of Class of 2015</u>
Sunday, 6/14	<u>Loose Change Collection</u>
	<u>Deadline to Return Kits for Conference</u>

Birthdays This Week

5/24 Paul Smith Sr 5/26 Bob Hunter Dickie Sullivan
5/27 Nancy Sullivan, Jim Henderson 5/28 Kyle Critzer

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Today is Pentecost Sunday! After Easter and Christmas the other major celebration of the Christian Church is Pentecost. On Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the birthday of the church. The color for the day is red. Red recalls the tongues of flame in which the Holy Spirit descended on the first Pentecost. The color red also reminds us of the blood of the martyrs; those believers of every generation who by the power of the Holy Spirit hold firm to the true faith even at the cost of their lives.

High School & College Graduates: We would like to publish a list of high and college graduates in the June 7th bulletin. If you have a child, grandchild, or great-grandchild graduating this year, pass that information on to Pastor Mike.

Annual Conference Offering: This year's Annual Conference Offering will benefit the Methodist Mission in Cambodia, Children's ministries in Virginia, and Connecting Hope in Haiti. To contribute please indicate on your check or contribution "Annual Conference Offering." Please refer to the insert for more information.



Coming Sunday, June 14: A weekly coffee and fellowship time will take place on Sunday mornings from 9:30 – 9:45. Enjoy coffee and a snack and get to know your fellow church friends. Come early for Sunday School or stay later after the 8:30 service. Spread the word!

2015 Samaritan Fund Offering: Envelopes are on the table in the entrance to the sanctuary. This offering allows Virginia United Methodist Homes, Inc. (VUMH) to give financial assistance to residents who, through no fault of their own, are unable to meet the full cost of their care.

Fredericksburg District Cultural Awareness Event:
Saturday, May 30 at Tabernacle United Methodist Church.

Come and experience Spirituality, Music, Dance, Food, Artifacts and other Dynamics of the Native American, African American, Asian and Hispanic Latino cultures. You're invited to explore truths, myths, perceptions and history of our American melting pot.

For more information, see the flyers on the table in the entrance.

Our Prayer Concerns:

Prayers for our Community and the World: The congregation and guests of Fletcher's Chapel and our community; those having difficulties in their marriages; the residents and staff of the Thurman Brisben Center; Those working with the incarcerated; Our Bishop and his cabinet.

Prayers for Our Church Family: Colleen Bowie, Arlene Coates, Delores Coates, Faye Coates, Audrey Davenport, Louise Henderson, Allyn Highfield, Gwen Henderson, Grace Humberger, Karis Humberger, Evelyn Jackson, Lolita James, Clifton Seay, Annette Stahler, Pete Sullivan, Roy Stewart

Prayers for our Families and Friends: Mikie Barker, Wesley Berry, Thomas Bowen, Barbara Canaday, Darrell Critzer, Frazier Family, Wayne Gallahan, Jake Gallelo, Alvin Gill, Theresa Guarracino, Barbara Hatchell, Sylvia Kennedy, Elva Kilby, Becky Lafferty, Ceili Leahy, Ronald Marshall, Bryan McGhee, Mike Nave, Camden Newton (infant), Nelson Parris, Pat Pelletier, David Pitts, Elaine Cooley Pitts, Brad Pruett, Hubert Roberson, Sam Robinson, Brent Rowand, Barbara Rowe, Joey Rowe, Keith Sager, Joseph Sirrels, Ron Seward, Claude Stevens, Mary Stewart, Lisa Storm, Joan Wehner

***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.



The Time Is Now:

Now is the time to **pray** and **mark** your personal and church calendars for our amazing Heartwood Center Summer Ministries. Our children and teens are counting on us to be Christ's volunteer ambassadors in hands-on service. The opportunities are many ranging from preparing the summer meals in the meals program, to providing dinner for the mission camp, or providing meals/time/driving participants for the VBS ministry. The difference between our 2014 and 2015 Heartwood ministries is the increased level of ministry to serve more children and teens. In addition to providing meals at the England Run Library, we will add a distribution site at Mary Walter Elementary.

We really need 2-3 helpers from each of the Western, Central, and Southern congregations!

The Heartwood Ministry events and dates are:

- **June 6 to mid-August – Summer Meals Ministry Mary Walter**
- **June 13 to mid-August - Summer Meals Ministry England Run**
- **July 20-24 The Middle School Youth Mission Camp**
- **July 27 - 31 The High School Mission Camp**
- **August 10th to 14th VBS**
- **August 17th to 21st VBS II**

For more Heartwood Summer ministry information:
visit our Facebook page www.facebook.com/heartwoodcenter,
or the District Website www.fredericksburgdistrict.org
or email heartwoodcenterfredericksburg@gmail.com
or call 804.448.8326.

Remembering Our Military

“For love of country they accepted death...” ~James A. Garfield

Tomorrow is Memorial Day and we would like to recognize and show our appreciation to all who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country and the freedoms we enjoy.

We would like to ask you to take a moment tomorrow to pray for those that have served and are serving our nation. Many families have lost loved ones and our military men and women that have survived face countless struggles and challenges for the rest of their lives.

Today, we honor and celebrate the service and sacrifice that our heroes have made and join with churches throughout the country in demonstrating our thankfulness for their service.

Did you know....?

- There are over 781,000 veterans in the state of Virginia alone
- Over 300,000 vets suffer from PTSD and many do not seek treatment
- About 50,000 vets will be homeless tonight and twice that many will experience homelessness at some point this year
- The unemployment rate of veterans is significantly higher than the national average

Please join with us in praying for our veterans and honoring the service they have performed to keep our country free.

Prayer for our Veterans

“Heavenly Father, we come to you and ask for your grace to rest upon our troops serving in Afghanistan, Iraq and Kuwait and throughout the world. We ask that you keep them safe and watch over them with your loving care. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for their selfless acts of service. Bind up the broken-hearted and heal those who have been wounded. Comfort those who are grieving and strengthen those in need of courage. Grant our leaders wisdom and firm resolve. Please bring peace to lands filled with conflict and strife. We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus who is the Prince of Peace. Amen.”

KITS FOR CONFERENCE

The 2015 Virginia Conference kit collection is being conducted to replenish the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) supply. UMCOR's Sager Brown Depot reports there is a need for all types of kits. Local churches are encouraged to collect items for any of the following most requested UMCOR kits and bring them to Annual Conference for delivery:

School Kit Value: \$11.00

1 pair blunt scissors: rounded tip only, no plastic scissors, please

3 pads of paper: spiral- or top-bound pads; 150 sheets or less of loose leaf can be substituted for one pad; combination of spiral, top bound, side bound or loose leaf is acceptable; no composition books, please

1 hand-held pencil sharpener: must be at least one-inch long; remove from packaging

1 30-centimeter ruler: hard or flexible; cartoon characters are acceptable; no advertisements, please

6 unsharpened pencils: no advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols, please; cartoon characters are acceptable

1 2-inch or larger size eraser: no advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols, please; cartoon characters are acceptable

1 24-count box of crayons: only 24-count boxes please

1 14"x16" cloth bag: homemade or purchased bags are both acceptable; heavy-duty fabric only – denim, corduroy, drapery fabric, etc.; no advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols, please; closures are optional but must be buttons, snaps or Velcro sewn in middle of opening, if used

Assembly directions

Place all loose items on top of paper. Turn items sideways and slide into the cloth bag. Fold over the top of the bag so loose items don't fall out.

Important notes

A pattern for the bag can be found on the Internet at www.umcor.org. Go to "Relief Supplies" at the top of the page and click. Scroll down until you find the "School bag pattern" at the bottom of the page.

All items must be new.

All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items – nothing more.

DO NOT include any personal notes, money or additional material in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.

Health Kit Value: \$12.00

1 hand towel; 15" x 25" to 17"x 27"; kitchen, cleaning and microfiber towels not acceptable

1 washcloth

1 comb: comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6"; no pocket combs or picks, please; rattail combs and combs without handles are acceptable with a minimum of 6" of teeth

1 metal nail file or clipper: no emery boards, please

1 bath-size soap: 3 oz. and larger sizes only; no Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content; do not remove from original packaging

1 toothbrush: adult size only; do not remove from original packaging

6 adhesive bandages: ¾" to 1" size; common household Band-Aids

1 plastic bag: one-gallon size sealable bags only

\$1 to purchase toothpaste

Assembly directions

Set the \$1 for toothpaste aside to be included in a separate envelope. Lay out the hand towel flat on a table. Lay the washcloth flat in the center of the hand towel. Place all remaining items on top of the washcloth. Fold over the sides of the hand towel to cover all of the items. Fold over one end of the hand towel so that it covers all of the items. Grasp the bundle of items tightly and roll over the remainder of the hand towel tightly. Place the tightly rolled bundle in the plastic bag. Remove as much air as possible and seal the bag.

Important notes

All items must be new.

Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used.

Please remove all packaging.

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UMCOR is now purchasing toothpaste in bulk to be added to health kits before shipping to ensure that the product does not expire before they are sent.

Do not put single dollar bills in each kit. Collect all monies for toothpaste and shipping, place it in a separate envelope and send along with the kit donations.

Monetary Donations Include \$1 per kit for processing and shipping