

Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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**All who
exalt themselves
will be humbled,
and**

**those who
humble themselves
will be exalted.**

Luke 14.11

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 1, 2013, 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

The Prelude

***Chiming of the Hour**

Welcome and Announcements

***The Call to Worship**

Sing aloud to God our strength.

Shout for joy to the Lord of Life.

Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

Glory to God forever!

***Hymn**

“Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast”

UMH 616

The Opening Prayer

Faithful God, in Jesus you show us a way of humility and hospitality with power to transform our world. Give us the grace to love those things that please you and the courage to live them to your glory. **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 – The Blessing of the Backpacks

[Canned Food will be collected for the King George Social Services Food Bank]

***Hymn**

“Take Time to Be Holy”

UMH 395

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, your word is a light in darkness and a source of blessing. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us; enliven our hearts and minds as we hear your word for us today; through Jesus Christ we pray. **Amen.**

The Scripture Reading – Luke 14:1, 7-14

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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:** Faithful God, you bless us in Jesus, who is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. And so we praise you with lips that confess his name and ask your blessing on these gifts for the life of the world. **Amen.**

Invitation, Confession, and Pardon

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins to the Lord who is our helper:

Lord, all that we have is a gift from you, yet we do not live lives of gratitude. We ignore strangers and turn away from those in need. We seek honor for ourselves and allow pride to take root in us. Forgive our foolish ways, O God, and restore us to you, that we may walk in the way of love. Amen.

[All enter into a time of silent prayer]

Beloved, your sins are forgiven, for God promises to never leave us. That proves God's gracious love toward us. Therefore, be at peace and stand secure in the Lord.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.

Service of Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (UMH 13)/Giving the Bread and the Cup

***Hymn** *"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"* UMH 581

***The Charge and Blessing:**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all, this day and forevermore. **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:

Children's Church: Pam Hunter (11:00am)
Greeter: Kenny Newton (11:00am)

Assisting with Worship September 8:

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.

MINISTERS:

PRESIDING BISHOP:

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

PASTOR:

LAY LEADER:

MUSICIAN:

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

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: ¹⁹"Go 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

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH: September 1 - 8, 2013

TODAY	Food Collection Sunday 8:30am Worship 9:45pm Sunday School 11:00am Worship
Saturday, 9/7	UMW Meeting (9:30am) Picnic Shelter Reserved (Carver Family Reunion)
Sunday, 9/8	Loose Change Collection

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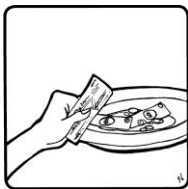
All are Welcome to our service of worship this morning. We are glad you are here. There are welcome cards located in the pews. Please take a moment to fill one out and place it into the offering plate during the collection. Our hope is that you will feel God's blessing during this time with us.



The Blessing of the Backpacks: During the children's message, the pastor will offer a blessing of the backpacks as a new school year begins. These backpacks will carry the students' supplies to and from school each day. May God's presence be experienced as these backpacks are carried back and forth to school each day.

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.



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.