

Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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**Jacob dreamed that
there was a ladder
set up on the earth,
the top of it
reaching to heaven;
and the angels of
God were
ascending and
descending on it.**

Genesis 28.12



The Prelude

*Chiming of the Hour

*Prayer for Renewal of the Church (in unison)

Renew your church, Lord, your people in this land. Save us from cheap words and self-deception in your service.

In the power of the Holy Spirit, transform us and shape us by your cross. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

*The Call to Worship

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor.

*Hymn

"Stand Up and Bless the Lord"

UMH 662

The Opening Prayer

Rock of Israel and cornerstone of our common life, you are not bound by our visions, our structures, our doctrine. We cannot predict your coming or going, yet you have given us your story, your family, your work to do. Meet us here. Shape us for service in your world, for we carry the name of Jesus and live by the power of your breath. **Amen.**

Time of Sharing and Prayer

Celebrations of God's Grace and Prayer Concerns

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

The Children's Message

*Hymn

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH 140

The Prayer for Illumination

Holy One, you love with a father's tenderness, a mother's zeal. Move now in our hearts. Breathe through the words we hear, the songs we share, the burdens we carry, until we discover

our purpose in your liberating love, for we long to join creation's praise and to shine with the mercy of the Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

The Old Testament Reading – Genesis 28:10-19a

p. 43

The New Testament Reading – Romans 8:12-25

p. 1701

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

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Message

“Jacob’s Dream”

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 mystery and grace, you have met us and blessed us with such abundant promise. In gratitude we offer what we carry in our hearts and our pockets. As we bring these worn and freighted offerings, we pray that you would use us, for we come in the name of Jesus and by the movement of your Spirit in this place. **Amen.**

***Hymn**

“We Are Climbing Jacob’s Ladder”

UMH 418

***The Charge and Blessing:**

Sisters and brothers, however dark the night gets—whatever you have stolen or squandered—know that you are held by a love like this: the Creator who made you still claims you in covenant love. The Redeemer who died for your sake lives again by the word of God; the Sustainer of all creation yet breathes courage into your heart.

Sisters and brothers, the triune God still traffics in mercy. Serve, then, with boldness and joy. **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. 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.

Assisting with Worship Today:

Scripture Reader:

Linda Newton (8:30)

Greeter:

Kenny Newton (11:00)

Assisting with Worship July 27:

Volunteers Needed – *Please see the sign-up sheet on the front center pew*

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

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Our website is at www.fletcherschapel-kinggeorge-va.org

Access the calendar of events. Listen to today's sermon or a sermon you may have missed.

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PRESIDING BISHOP:

Young Jin Cho

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

Theodore Smith

PASTOR:

Michael B. Reaves

LAY LEADER:

Marie Williams

MUSICIAN:

Elizabeth Pruett

THIS WEEK: July 20 - 27, 2014

TODAY	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
Sun – Thurs	6:00pm	Vacation Bible School at Fairview Beach

UPCOMING:

Monday, 7/28	4:00pm	Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center
Saturday, 8/2	9:30am	United Methodist Women
Sunday, 8/3	Holy Communion/Canned Food Collection	
Wednesday, 8/6	9:30am	Heritage Hall Nursing Home Ministry
Sunday, 8/10	Loose Change Collection	
Thursday, 8/14	7:00pm	Finance Committee
	7:30pm	Administrative Council

Birthdays This Week:

7/20 Christopher Ohler 7/23 Corbin Smith 7/24 Allen Coates, John Radolinski

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Thank You! When you came into the church this morning you may have noticed something different about the landscaping. Quite a few members of the church came and cleaned up the flower beds, trimmed bush, and laid down fresh mulch.

Another Big Thank You! Vacation Bible School begins tonight at 6:00pm at the Fairview Beach Property. All who responded to our need for volunteers and supplies have made this ministry possible. Please pray daily for our VBS leaders, helpers, and especially for the children who will join us each night. Please drop in any night to see what we are up to. Check out our Facebook page and the church website for pictures from each night's activities.

Middle High/Senior High Sunday School Class: Beginning Sunday, August 31, a Sunday School class will be offered for all youth in grades 6-12. The class will meet in the Youth Room upstairs. Tina Lauber has offered to teach the class. Any parents and grandparents whose youth are interested in the class might consider joining one of our two available Sunday School classes.

God uses money to confirm direction.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.
In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths” (Prov. 3:5-6).



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, Dee Campbell, Grace Cleveland, Jayden Cleveland, Arlene Coates, Delores Coates, Faye Coates, John Coates, Audrey Davenport, Ruby Hawkins, Louise Henderson, Gwen Henderson, Evelyn Jackson, Lolita James, Clifton Seay, Marie Smith, Roy Stewart, Pete Sullivan, Sherry Garner Taylor, Dinah Taylor

Prayers for our Families and Friends: Mikie Barker, Wesley Berry, Shirley Cahoon, Barbara Canaday, Inez Carver, Darrell Critzer, The Frazier Family, Virginia Garner, Alvin Gill, Christine Holdren, Elva Kilby, Becky Lafferty, Ceili Leahy, Ronald Marshall, Bryan McGhee, Mike Nave, Ellen Page, Msgr John Pennington, Pat Pelletier, David Pitts, Jennifer Pollard, Brad Pruett, Chuck Rabbitt, Hubert Roberson, Sam Robinson, Joey Rowe, Keith Sager, Joseph Sirrels, Tai (re: Lori Radolinski), Claude Stevens, Mary Stewart, Patty Darr Sullivan, Joan Wehner

***Prayers for Our Neighbors (Zip Code 22485):** 4080 Comanche Ridge, 4081 Comanche Ridge, 4364 Frontier Dr, 4511 Frontier Dr, 7351 Garcia Ct, 7357 Garcia Ct, 4257 Green Heights Ln, 4262 Green Heights Ln, 4280 Green Heights Ln, 4158 Hemlock Dr, 4168 Hemlock Dr, 4192 Hemlock Dr, 4273 Igo Rd, 4476 Igo Rd, 8000 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8050 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8070 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8109 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8124 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8138 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8186 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8262 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8246 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8320 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8435 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8450 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 8453 Lambs Creek Church Rd, 7970 Linden Dr, 8141 Linden Dr, 8314 Myrtle Ln, 7974 Redbud Ln, 8015 Redbud Ln, 8061 Redbud Ln, 4152 Windy Hills Ln

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.

**There are 1,000 homes within a 2.7 miles radius of this church.
In 2014, we will include twenty of these homes in our weekly prayer list.*