

Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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*Keep awake
therefore,
for you know
neither the
day nor
the hour.*

Matthew 25.13



The Prelude

*Chiming of the Hour

*The Call to Worship

Rejoice and be glad!

For God is our salvation.

Rejoice and be glad!

For God is great.

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn

“Victory in Jesus”

UMH 555

The Opening Prayer

Eternal God, you are our hope and our salvation, for in Jesus Christ you have conquered death. Baptized in him, we are raised to new life. Increase in us our faith and keep us watchful, that we may welcome Christ with joy when he comes to set the whole world free. **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 (*Loose Change Collection*)

*Hymn

“Come Christians, Join to Sing”

UMH 158

The Prayer for Illumination

Send your Spirit to move in our world and stir the water of our souls that we may desire a word of instruction that awakens us to the joy of your coming reign. **Amen.**

The New Testament Reading – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

p. 1781

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 25:1-13

p. 1492

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Message

"The Wise and the Foolish"

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:** Gracious God, receive our gifts, tokens of thanks for your extravagant blessings, signs of trust in your coming reign of justice, peace, and love; in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

*Hymn

"When We All Get to Heaven"

UMH 701

*The Charge and Blessing:

Keep awake, for Christ is coming to gather us to his welcome table, where we will feast in joy.

May the grace of Christ surround you, the love of God uphold you, and the Holy Spirit spark you with unquenchable fire as you wait and work for the kingdom to come. **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.

"Investing for Time and Eternity" is the theme of our Stewardship emphasis for 2015. Our stewardship campaign will begin on November 9 and conclude on November 23 with our Harvest Celebration Sunday.

Assisting with Worship Today:

Scripture Reader: Lucy Willard (8:30)

Children's Church: Chloe Hartung &
Carissa Emory

Assisting with Worship November 16:

Scripture Reader: Linda Newton (8:30)

Greeter: Kenny Newton



Can You Help? Volunteers are needed to read Scripture, deliver children's messages, and serve as greeters. Lori Radolinski is very generous of her time but would welcome volunteers to teach Children's Church after the Children's Message at the 11:00 service. Please see the sign-up sheets which are on the front center pew.

Veterans Day is Tuesday, November 11. We will take time to recognize and honor our veterans this morning during the Worship hour. We thank God and our Veterans for our freedoms.



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

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

"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.

PRESIDING BISHOP:

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

PASTOR:

LAY LEADER:

MUSICIAN:

Young Jin Cho

Theodore Smith

Michael B. Reaves

Marie Williams

Elizabeth Pruett

THIS WEEK: November 9 - 16, 2014

TODAY	<u>Loose Change Collection</u>	
	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
Tuesday, 11/11	<u>Veterans Day</u>	
Thursday, 11/13	7:45pm	Christmas Cantata Practice at Trinity UMC
Saturday, 11/15	8:30am	District Conference & District Training Event at Caroline County High School, Milford, VA
Sunday, 11/16	2:00pm	Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party

UPCOMING:

Wednesday, 11/19	9:30am	Heritage Hall Nursing Home Ministry
Sunday, 11/23	<u>Harvest Celebration Sunday</u>	
	1:00pm	Stop Hunger Now at King George YMCA
Friday, 11/28	4:00pm	Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center
Sunday, 11/30	<u>Last Sunday to Return Apple Tree Gifts</u>	
Sunday, 12/7	<u>Communion Sunday/Canned Food Collection</u>	
Sunday, 12/21	4:00pm	Christmas Cantata

Birthdays This Week:

11/9 Allyn Highfield

11/12 Angie Richardson

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Operation Christmas Child: Pack a shoebox with gifts for a child. Instructions on how to fill a shoebox are available in the sanctuary entrance. Anyone wishing to make a box can do one just choose boy or girl ages group 2-4 or 5-9 or 10 -14 OR you can donate items to help fill other shoe boxes or money to go toward the cost of shipping. We will have lots of fun wrapping gifts and enjoying the real meaning of Christmas on Sunday, November 16 at 2:00 p.m. See Marie Smith for more details.

Stop Hunger Now: Operation Sharehouse is Sunday, November 23 at 1:00pm at the King George YMCA. This is a community-wide event. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 and package 40,000 meals. Each dollar will purchase 4 meals. Your help is needed through your donations and by helping to package the meals. See Pastor Mike if you would like more information.

District Conference & District Training Day is Coming Saturday, November 15 at Caroline High School: Please check the table below the literature rack in the sanctuary entrance for detailed information and a registration form for this important event.

Cambodian Missionary, Rev. Dr. Romeo Del Rosario, Visits Dahlgren UMC

On Thursday, November 13, Dahlgren UMC will have the privilege of hosting Rev. Dr. Romeo L. del Rosario (Romy), a United Methodist missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries. Rev del Rosario is serving as country director of the United Methodist Mission in Cambodia. As country director, he is administrator and supervisor of mission programs/projects with a team of workers that includes Cambodians and nine missionaries from different parts of the world.

A Covered Dish Dinner in the Church Social Hall will begin at 6:00 pm with Rev. del Rosario speaking at 6:45 pm. All are invited to come and taste some authentic Cambodian dishes and learn about Cambodia and what the Methodist Church is doing in Cambodian. There is no charge. We do ask that you bring your favorite dish to share and RSVP (540-663-2230 or office@dahlgrenumc.org) by November 6 so the church can adequately prepare.

All are welcomed and encouraged to come. Dahlgren UMC is located at 17080 14th Street in Dahlgren just off of Route 206/Dahlgren Road

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.



The Apple Tree Project is Back!

The Apple Tree Project collects Christmas Gifts for children of families affected by the incarceration of a parent or step-parent. Fletcher's Chapel has gift needs for thirteen children. See Pastor Mike if you would like to purchase a gift for an Apple Tree child. Gifts should be limited to \$20 maximum. The unwrapped gifts will be delivered to Kingsway Prison & Family Outreach project center in Harrisonburg, VA where they are wrapped and delivered to the children. Each child receives three gifts. An age appropriate Bible or New Testament is also included in each child's gifts so they can learn the meaning of the Bible. If you did not receive a child's name, you can still participate by purchasing a board game, donate wrapping paper, or purchase one to the approved gifts for inmates.

All gifts must be returned to the church by Sunday, November 30.

Advent Study: *The Lord Is Our Light*

The Lord Is Our Light invites you to explore God's hope and presence through a study of the scripture readings for Advent and Christmas. Key Bible readings call us to praise God as we actively wait for the coming of God's redemption and new creation. Through the readings, we hear the call to celebrate the light of God revealed through Jesus Christ.

The season of Advent offers opportunities to prepare for God's coming in human form in the baby Jesus and for the approach of God's kingdom with the second coming of Christ. Hope is the focus of Advent worship, study, and prayer. We will discover the light that began in the manger and that continues as we look forward with hope to Christ's return.

The Lord Is Our Light is based upon the *Revised Common Lectionary* scriptures for year B of the church year, a three-year cycle of Bible readings. The study includes commentary and reflection on readings from the Old Testament, the Gospels, and the Epistles. It offers the opportunity to explore these Bible readings in a five-session study. The goal is to help participants understand, appreciate, and engage in meaningful and joyous celebrations of Advent and Christmas and to live each day in God's light through Jesus Christ.

The first class will meet on Tuesday, December 2. The class will be offered at 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Please register for the class by filling out the form below. You will receive a book once you have registered for the class.



_____ Yes, I am interested in participating in the Advent Bible Study

Name _____

The best time for me to participate is: _____ 10:30 a.m. _____ 7:00 p.m.

_____ I need more information before I decide

The best time to contact me is: _____ Daytime _____ Evening _____ Email

Phone Number or Email Address _____



Prayer List

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, Arlene Coates, Delores Coates, Faye Coates, John Coates, Audrey Davenport, Louise Henderson, Gwen Henderson, Grace Humberger, Karis Humberger, Evelyn Jackson, Lolita James, Clifton Seay, Marie Smith, Roy Stewart, Pete Sullivan

Prayers for our Families and Friends: Mikie Barker, Wesley Berry, Barbara Canaday, Inez Carver, Darrell Critzer, Alvin Gill, Barbara Hatchell, Christine Holdren, Elva Kilby, Becky Lafferty, Ceili Leahy, Ronald Marshall, Bryan McGhee, Mike Nave, Ellen Page, Nelson Parris, Msgr John Pennington, Pat Pelletier, David Pitts, Elaine Cooley Pitts, Brad Pruett, Chuck Rabbitt, Hubert Roberson, Sam Robinson, Barbara Rowe, Joey Rowe, Keith Sager, Joseph Sirrels, Tai (re: Lori Radolinksi), Mushy Schenemann, Claude Stevens, Mary Stewart, Patty Darr Sullivan, Joan Wehner

***Prayers for Our Neighbors (Zip Code 22485):** 1148 Alberta Ct, 1151 Alberta Ct, 1156 Alberta Ct, 1191 Alberta Ct, 5976 Cove Harbor Dr, 5446 Potomac Creek Rd

***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.*