

# Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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## ***Take on the whole armor of God!***

The belt of truth,  
the breastplate  
of righteousness,  
the shield of faith,  
the helmet of salvation,  
and the sword  
of the Spirit.

*Ephesians  
6.13-17*



**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 23, 2015 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**

## **The Prelude**

### **\*Chiming of the Hour**

### **\*The Call to Worship**

The living God has sent the living bread from heaven to fill our hearts with strength!  
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Hymn** "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" UMH 514

### **The Opening Prayer**

God our strength, you have brought us into your holy place through Christ, who has the words of eternal life. As you made us alive by his flesh and blood, cause us to boldly witness to the gospel, welcome the stranger, and pursue peace, standing through the struggles of our times. **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** "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" UMH 361

### **Prayer for Illumination**

Holy God, you have the words of eternal life. By your Holy Spirit, let your words pierce our darkness, strengthen our faith, and illumine our witness for you. **Amen.**

**The Old Testament Reading** – 1 Kings 8:1, 6, 10-11, 22-30, 41-43 p. 513

**The New Testament Reading** – Ephesians 6:10-20 p. 1765

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

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**The Message** "The Full Armor of God"

## 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:** Living God, we give you thanks for Christ, the bread from heaven, through whom we offer these gifts. Endow these gifts with your power, that they may express your steadfast love and impart your sustaining strength to all those in need. **Amen.**

**\*Hymn**

"Soldiers of Christ, Arise"

UMH 513

## **\*The Charge and the Blessing**

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power. Put on the whole armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm as you boldly proclaim the gospel of peace in word and deed.

The living God gives you strength! The Lord Jesus Christ feeds you with his flesh and blood! The Holy Spirit fills you with life! You are blessed by the Holy Trinity! **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)

**August 30:**

**Volunteers Needed**

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**Can You Help?** Volunteers are needed to read Scripture, deliver children's messages, serve as greeters, and teach Children's Church on Sunday mornings. Please see the sign-up sheet.

**Coffee Fellowship** will return soon. If you have any feedback about the Coffee Fellowship, please pass it on to Pastor Mike or a member of the Administrative Council.



**The Fish Fry is coming!** Plan to join us on Saturday, September 26. We will need help with food prep, set up, and clean up. Sign up to provide desserts to serve with the meals. Food will be served from 4:00 – 6:00. All donations will go to the United Methodist Men’s group. Please see Allen Coates for more information.

### **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:** “<sup>19</sup>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, <sup>20</sup>and 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

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**“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:**

**BISHOP**

**DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:**

**PASTOR:**

**LAY LEADER:**

**MUSICIAN**

**All Members**

**Young Jin Cho**

**Theodore Smith**

**Michael B. Reaves**

**Marie Williams**

**Elizabeth Pruett**

**This Week: August 23 - 30, 2015**

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Worship
	<b>9:45am</b>	Sunday School
	<b>11:00am</b>	Worship
<b>Friday</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	United Methodist Women
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Worship
	<b>9:45am</b>	Sunday School
	<b>11:00am</b>	Worship

**Upcoming:**

<b>Wednesday, 9/2</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	Heritage Hall Nursing Home Ministry
<b>Thursday, 9/3</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	Nominations and Leadership Development Committee
<b>Sunday, 9/6</b>	<b><u>Holy Communion/Canned Food Collection</u></b>	
<b>Saturday, 9/12</b>	<b>10am</b>	Picnic Shelter Reserved for Carver Reunion
<b>Sunday, 9/13</b>	<b><u>Loose Change Collection</u></b>	
<b>Thursday, 9/17</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	PPRC Meeting
	<b>7:30pm</b>	Administrative Council Meeting
<b>Saturday, 9/26</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	Fish Fry
<b>Sunday, 9/27</b>	<b>3:00pm</b>	Charge Conference at Grace-Oak Grove UMC

**Birthdays This Week**

**8/24** Colleen Bowie, John Earle Coates

**8/29** David Beals

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**Charge Conference is Coming Early This Year!** Mark your calendars. Our annual charge conference will be held on Sunday, September 27 at 3:00pm. We will join with Dahlgren, Trinity, Colonial Beach, Epworth, Mizpah, Grace – Oak Grove, and McKendree Churches.

**Charge Conference Preparation Dates**

**Nominations and Leadership Committee** will meet on Thursday, September 3 at 7:00pm.

**Pastor-Parish Relations Committee** will meet on Thursday, September 17 at 7:00p.m.

**Administrative Council** will meet on Thursday, September 17 at 7:30pm.

**King George County Schools** open on Monday, August 24. Please be careful and watch out for the school buses picking up and dropping off children each morning and afternoon.



### **Food for Thought:**

“Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name . . . and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you” (1 Kgs. 8:41–43).

Are there people of other nationalities, ethnic groups, or faith traditions in your workplace, neighborhood, community, or congregation? What are some ways in which you and your congregation can express the welcome of God to those who are different from you?

### **Prayer Concerns**

**Prayers for our Community and the World:** The congregation and guests of Fletcher’s Chapel and our community; the residents and staff of the Thurman Brisben Center; Our Bishop and his cabinet.

**Prayers for Our Church Family:** Colleen Bowie, Arlene Coates, Delores Coates, Faye Coates, Audrey Davenport, Willis Emory, Louise Henderson, Gwen Henderson, Karis Humberger, Pam Hunter, Evelyn Jackson, Lolita James, McKennah Lauber, Sherri Minx, Clifton Seay, Annette Stahler, Pete Sullivan

**Prayers for our Families and Friends:** Krystalene Balao, Mikie Barker, Wesley Berry, Thomas Bowen, Barbara Canaday, Felecia Cook, Darrell Critzer, Frazier Family, The Ford and Smith Families, Wayne Gallahan, Jake Gallelo, Alvin Gill, Jeff Gilley, Theresa Guarracino, Barbara Hatchell, Sylvia Kennedy, Elva Kilby, Becky Lafferty, Ceili Leahy, Ronald Marshall, Bryan McGhee, Mike Nave, Camden Newton (infant), Adolfo Pangilinan, David Pitts, Elaine Cooley Pitts, Brad Pruett, Hubert Roberson, Sam Robinson, Brent Rowand, Barbara Rowe, Joey Rowe, 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.*