

Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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A large, stylized graphic of flames in shades of gray, rising from a dark base. The flames are composed of several pointed, overlapping shapes that create a sense of movement and heat.

**How great a forest
is set ablaze
by a small fire!**

**And the tongue
is a fire. James 3.5-6**

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 13, 2015 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

The Prelude

*Chiming of the Hour

*The Call to Worship

Look at the heavens!

They are shouting the glory of God.

The days and the nights declare the magnificence of God's creative works.

Their voice goes through all the earth and their words reach the ends of the world.

Let our words of praise be acceptable to you.

Our Lord, our rock, our redeemer!

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn

“Grace Greater than Our Sin”

UMH 365

The Opening Prayer

It says in the Bible, O God, that you created the world through your Word. Your Word is powerful! And so are our words. They can heal, create a smile, be a declaration of love; but they can also hurt and destroy a sense of self-worth. Give us your wisdom, God of the Word, so that as a church and as individuals, we use our words to build up and not to destroy. **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 [Loose Change Collection]

*Hymn

“Just As I Am, Without One Plea”

UMH 357

Prayer for Illumination

Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord. Be our Rock and our Redeemer. **Amen.**

The New Testament Reading – James 3:1-12

p. 1822

The Gospel Reading – Mark 8:27-38

p. 1517

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

The Message

“Bite Your Tongue”

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 wisdom, may this offering serve as a powerful witness to this world in need. Guide us as we administer the gifts that you have given us for the building of your kingdom. In Jesus Christ we pray. **Amen.**

***Hymn**

“Go, Make of All Disciples”

UMH 571

***The Charge and the Blessing**

When people ask, Who is this Jesus? do not be ashamed of the gospel; share with them that he loved the world so much that he lived for us, suffered for us, died for us, and rose again for us, and invite them to follow him. May God, our Wisdom, pour out God’s thoughts in you and make God’s words known to you.

May Jesus Christ, our Messiah, give you the strength to carry your cross and to follow him. And may the Holy Spirit, our Tongue of fire, guide our words and our actions, as we strive to bless the world with our witness. **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:

Children’s Church (11:00)

Today:

Linda Newton (8:30)

John Radolinski (11:00)

Kenny Newton (11:00)

September 20:

Lucy Willard (8:30)

Tina Lauber

Can You Help? Volunteers are needed to read Scripture, deliver children’s messages, and serve as greeters on Sunday mornings. Please see Pastor Mike for the sign-up sheet.

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

“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: September 13 - 20, 2015

TODAY	<u>Loose Change Collection</u>
	8:30am Worship
	9:45am Sunday School
	11:00am Worship
Wednesday	9:30am Heritage Hall Nursing Home Ministry
Thursday	7:00pm PPRC Meeting
	7:30pm Administrative Council Meeting
Sunday	8:30am Worship
	9:45am Sunday School
	11:00am Worship

Upcoming:

Wednesday, 9/23	7:00pm	Nominations and Leadership Development Committee
Friday, 9/25	4:00pm	Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center
Saturday, 9/26	4:00pm	Fish Fry
Sunday, 9/27	3:00pm	Charge Conference at Grace-Oak Grove UMC
Saturday, 10/3	9:30am	United Methodist Women Meeting
Sunday, 10/4		<u>Holy Communion/Canned Food Collection</u>
Sunday, 10/11		<u>“Bring a Friend Day” – Special Schedule</u>
	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Sunday School
	11:00	Southern Gospel Concert by “Justified”
	Noon	Covered Dish Lunch

Birthdays This Week

9/15 Lisa Simpson, Jessica Williams 9/16 Audrey Schindel

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“Bring a Friend Day” – Sunday, October 11 will be an exciting day at Fletcher’s Chapel. Instead of a traditional Homecoming Service, we want to invite our neighbors and all of our friends – old and new – to join us at Fletcher’s Chapel for this special day. We will host a Southern Gospel Concert by the group Justified during the 11:00 a.m. worship time. A covered dish lunch will follow at Noon. Come and worship at 8:30, stay for Sunday School, enjoy the concert, and end the day with a meal together. Bring a friend, relative, acquaintance or neighbor to the concert and invite them to stay for lunch. More news to come!

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 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 side dishes and 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.

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.

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, Louise Henderson, Gwen Henderson, Karis Humberger, Pam Hunter, Evelyn Jackson, Lolita James, McKennah Lauber, Sherri Minx, Audrey Schindel, Clifton Seay, Annette Stahler, Pete Sullivan

Prayers for our Families and Friends: Krystalene Balao, Mikie Barker, Wesley Berry, Thomas Bowen, The Cameron Family, Barbara Canaday, Felecia Cook, Darrell Critzer, Frazier Family, 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.