

Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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Thanks be
to God for his
indescribable gift!

2 Corinthians 9:15



26th Sunday after Pentecost, November 13, 2016 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

The Prelude

***Chiming of the Hour**

***The Call to Worship**

All that we are is a gift from God.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,

All that we have is a gift from God.

The world, and those who live in it;

There are no words to describe the wonders of God's creation.

For God has founded it on the seas,

Rejoice as we join together in praise for God's great gifts.

God established it on the rivers.

Recognizing Our Veterans

***Hymn**

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

UMH 92

The Opening Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit! Enter into this church and make your presence known! Fill us with your love. Empower us with your strength. Grace us with your loving kindness. Move us with your will for justice. Receive our awe. Bless this congregation and make us one in you. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

The Children's Message (Loose Change Collection)

The Stewardship Minute – "Empowered by God: Responding by Grace"

Time of Sharing and Prayer

Celebrations of God's Grace and Prayer Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (UMH 895)

***Hymn**

"Freely, Freely"

UMH 389

Prayer for Illumination

God, one of the great gifts that you have shared with us is your word. Open our hearts and minds as the scriptures are read and the message is proclaimed. Help us to hear with anticipation what you have to say and give us a sense of urgency to share it with others. **Amen.**

The Scripture Reading – Genesis 1:26-31

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The Gospel Reading – 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

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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 Meaning of Stewardship”

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:** Loving God, you have given us life and freedom. Everything we have and everything that we are is a gift from you. You call us to be stewards of this gift. As caretakers of all that you have provided, we give back now. We dedicate these gifts to you. Bless these tithes and offerings. Help us to always use your gifts wisely. Lead us as we share them generously with others. Help our faithful stewardship to show Christ to others. We pray these things in the name of our Messiah, Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

***Hymn**

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

UMH 399

***The Charge and Blessing:**

May the Lord bless you and keep you as you go from this place to share the gifts that you have been given with a world in need. **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	November 20, 2016
Scripture Readers:	Troy Thompson (8:30)	Pam Thompson (8:30)
Greeters:	Kenny Newton (11:00)	Stephenie Newton

Volunteers Needed for November: The sign-up sheet is on the front center pew.

Welcome Cards – We welcome all our guests. 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.

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

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MINISTERS:	All Members
PRESIDING BISHOP:	Sharma D. Lewis
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:	Theodore Smith
PASTOR:	Michael B. Reaves
LAY LEADER:	Marie Williams
MUSICIAN:	Elizabeth Pruet

November 13, 2016 – November 20, 2016

TODAY	Loose Change Collection
	8:30am Worship
	9:30am Coffee Hour (Troy & Pam Thompson)
	10:00am Sunday School
	11:00am Worship
Wednesday	9:30am Heritage Hall Nursing Home Ministry
Friday	4:00pm Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center
Sunday, 11/20	Harvest Celebration Sunday/Confirmation Sunday
	8:30am Worship
	9:45am Sunday School Opening (Sanctuary)
	10:00am Sunday School
	11:00am Worship

Upcoming:

Tuesday, 11/29	Advent Study Begins (See Insert)
Sunday, 12/4	Holy Communion/Canned Food Collection
	3:00pm Parsonage Open House
Saturday, 12/24	7:00pm Christmas Eve Service
Sunday, 12/25	Christmas Day – Special Schedule
	One Worship Service at 11:00am/No Sunday School

Birthdays This Week

11/17 Roger Williams **11/18** Chloe Hartung



Veterans Day was Friday, 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.

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.



Advent Devotionals Are Here

Advent: A Calendar of Devotions 2016 is a booklet of daily devotions for Advent that helps people step back from the bustle and stress of the season and prepare heart and mind to rejoice in God's loving gift, Jesus Christ. Each daily devotion includes a recommended Scripture reading, a Bible verse, an inspiring message, and an uplifting prayer.

The season of Advent provides an opportunity for spiritual renewal for followers of Christ. But often what happens is that we get so caught up in the hurry and rush, the hustle and bustle, the frantic pace of the season that we emerge more spiritually exhausted than refreshed. The purpose of *Advent: A Calendar of Devotions 2016* is to help the reader focus on the things that truly matter and experience spiritual renewal.

Advent begins on Sunday, November 27. Pick up your copy of *Advent: A Calendar of Devotions 2016* today. You can find them on the table below the literature rack in the entrance to the sanctuary and on the hallway table near the Pastor's Office.

Nursing Home Ministry: Meet us at the church on Wednesday morning at 9:30. We will carpool to Heritage Hall and offer the residents a time of music and song. All are welcome to participate.

Confirmation Sunday! Confirmation Sunday will be November 20.

“Empowered by God — Responding by Grace”

“Now as you excel in everything — in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you — so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.”
-- 2 Corinthians 8:7

As we look ahead to 2017, our stewardship emphasis will focus on the above scripture passage. During the first three Sundays in November, we will take a few minutes each week to consider how we use our time, talents, and treasure in response to all that God has done for us individually and as a body of Christ.

On November 20, we will have our Harvest Celebration Sunday which will give each of us the chance to respond to God’s empowering grace.

Apple Tree Gifts: Eight children have not been claimed. Please return the gifts no later than Sunday, November 29. You can still buy a board game that is listed on the insert, donate wrapping paper, or purchase approved gifts for the inmates.

District Conference & District Training Event is coming Saturday, November 19 at Wright’s Chapel United Methodist Church (8063 Ladysmith Rd, Ruther Glen, VA at I-95 Exit 110, Ladysmith) from 8:30am until 2:00pm. Our theme is “Equipping for Vitality.” Our Keynote Speaker is our new Bishop, Sharma Lewis. Please check the table below the literature rack in the sanctuary entrance for detailed information and a registration form for this important event.

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, Jeanne Bullock, Dee Campbell, Arlene Coates, Delores Coates, Dewayne Coates, John Earl Coates, Ed Curtis, Pat Curtis, Audrey Davenport, Louise Henderson, Grace Humberger, Karis Humberger, Pam Hunter, Evelyn Jackson, Lolita James, McKennah Lauber, Sherri Minx, Turner Minx, Lily Radolinski, Clifton Seay, Shirley Seay, Annette Stahler, Pete Sullivan

Prayers for our Families and Friends: Krystalene Balao, Mikie Barker, Wesley Berry, Clarissa Busby, The Cameron Family, Barbara Canaday, Felecia Cook, Darrell Critzer, Tommy Davis, Chris Deike, Pat DeShazo, Almeta Frazier, The Frazier Family, Gage Ford and Family, Wayne Gallahan, Jake Gallelo, Jeff Gilley, Karissa Greecher, Larry Green, Theresa Guarracino, Barbara Hatchell, John Jones, Betty Jubb, Billy Kennedy, Sylvia Kennedy, Elva Kilby, Robert Klink, Becky Lafferty, Ronald Marshall, Paul Morfit, Mike Nave, Adolfo Pangilinan, Lina Perry, David Pitts, Elaine Cooley Pitts, Brad Pruett, Robert Pruitt, Chuck Rabbitt, Patrick Robinson, Sam Robinson, Brent Rowand, Barbara Rowe, Joey Rowe, Kelly Roy, Malone Schooler, Brian Scott, Joseph Sirrels, K. J. Spears, Claude Stevens, Mary Stewart, Vickie Stewart, Joan Wehner, Jen Ulrich

Prayer Request Cards are available in the pew rack