

# Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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*Should you not have had mercy ...*



*as  
I  
had  
mercy  
on  
you?*

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*Matthew 18:33*

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 17, 2017 8:30 a.m/11:00 a.m.

## **The Prelude**

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

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

Give praise to God!

**Praise the Lord, for it is God who saves.**

It is God who forgives; it is God who delivers.

**Give thanks and praise to the Lord!**

### **\*Hymn**

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

UMH64

## **The Opening Prayer**

O God who is our strength, you have protected us from those who would seek to oppress us. You have shielded us from those who would seek to destroy the good gifts you have put in us. Your love and power never fail. Thanks and praise to you, our safety and stronghold. We exalt you, O God, majestic in holiness, for there is none like you. **Amen.**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **The Children’s Message**

## **Time of Sharing and Prayer**

Celebrations of God’s Grace and Prayer Concerns

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

### **\*Hymn**

“O How I Love Jesus”

UMH170

## **Prayer for Illumination**

Holy God, your Word is strong and leads our feet to your holy dwelling place. Strengthen and guide us with your Word through the power of your Holy Spirit; in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

**The New Testament Reading** – Romans 14:1-12

p. 1709

**The Gospel Reading** – Matthew 18:21-35

p. 1480

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

**The Message**                      “The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant”

**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:** O God, we thank you for these gifts.  
Multiply them, and enable the work of love and the righteousness of your  
kingdom in the world. We thank and praise you. **Amen.**

**\*Hymn**                                      “Amazing Grace” vs. 1-3, 6”                                      UMH378

**\*The Charge and Blessing:**

Walk in the strength and confidence that God guides your feet. Therefore,  
live for God – show mercy and love one another.

May the God who protects and defends keep you in safety, mercy, and  
love. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **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.*

<b>Assisting with Worship</b>	<b>Today</b>	<b>September 24, 2017</b>
<b>Scripture Readers</b>	Linda Newton (8:30)	_____
<b>Greeters</b>	_____	Stephanie Newton (11:00)

**Volunteers Needed:** Plenty of opportunities are available in September and  
October!

**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.

**September 17, 2017 – September 24, 2017**

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Worship
	<b>9:45am</b>	Sunday School Opening (Sanctuary)
	<b>10:00am</b>	Sunday School
	<b>11:00am</b>	Worship
<b>Wednesday, 9/20</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	Heritage Hall Nursing Home
	<b>7:00pm</b>	Fall Bible Study (week 2 of 6)
<b>Thursday, 9/21</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	Nominations and Leadership Development
<b>Friday, 9/22</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	Girl Scouts
<b>Sunday, 9/24</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	Worship
	<b>9:45am</b>	Sunday School Opening (Sanctuary)
	<b>10:00am</b>	Sunday School
	<b>11:00am</b>	Worship

**Upcoming:**

<b>Wednesday, 9/27</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	Morning Prayer Group Ministry
<b>Thursday, 9/28</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	Finance Committee/Church Council 2018 Budget Meeting
<b>Saturday, 9/30</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	Fish Fry
<b>Sunday, 10/1</b>		<b>Holy Communion/Canned Food Collection</b>
<b>Saturday, 10/7</b>	<b>2:00pm</b>	Charge Conference at Trinity-King George
<b>Sunday, 10/8</b>		<b>Loose Change Collection/Coffee Fellowship</b>
<b>Friday, 10/20</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center
<b>Sunday, 10/22</b>		<b>Homecoming</b> Rev. Keith Boyette and the Virginia Gospel Singers

**Birthdays This Week**

9/22 Susan Reaves 9/23 Brittney Ayers, Jeanne Bullock



**Homecoming Mailing List:** We will reach out to former and inactive members inviting them to join us on Homecoming Sunday, October 22, 2017. We are planning a big day: Rev. Keith Boyette will return as our guest preacher, the Virginia Gospel Singers will provide music, and a lunch will be served after the 11:00 service. If you know someone you would like to be invited to this special day, please pass their names and addresses to Pastor Mike. The mailing will go out before the end of September so please turn in those addresses by Tuesday, September 19.

**The Fellowship Class** invites you to join them on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour. On September 24, the class will begin a study on the New Testament books James, 1 & 2 Peter, 1, 2 & 3 John, and Jude. This is an 8-week study taught by Pastor Mike. If you are not in a Sunday School class, prayerfully consider joining the Fellowship Class.



**The Fish Fry is coming!** Plan to join us on Saturday, September 30. We will need help with food prep, set up, and clean up. Sign up to provide side dishes, breads, desserts etc. to serve with the meals. Food will be served from 4:00pm – 6:00pm. All donations will go to the United Methodist Men's group. Please see Pam Hunter for more information about food donations. Please see Allen Coates for any other information.

**Charge Conference is Coming!** Mark your calendars. Our annual charge conference will be held on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm at Trinity UMC. We will join with Dahlgren, Trinity, Colonial Beach, and Grace (Oak Grove) Churches. Important preparation dates will be announced soon. Pastor-Parrish Relations Committee, Nominations, Finance, Trustees, and Administrative Council will all need to meet over the next few weeks as we get ready for Charge Conference.

## **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:** Jeanne Bullock, Dee Campbell, Arlene Coates, Delores Coates, Dewayne Coates, John Earl Coates, Ed Curtis, Pat Curtis, Audrey Davenport, Louise Henderson, Bob Hunter, Evelyn Jackson, Lolita James, McKennah Lauber, Turner Minx, Clifton Seay, Shirley Seay, Annette Stahler, Pete Sullivan, Howie Weadon

**Prayers for our Families and Friends:** Krystalene Balao, Gavin Balderson, Mikie Barker, Mitchell Burroughs, The Cameron Family, Barbara Canaday, Felecia Cook, Darrell Critzer, Tommy Davis, Chris Deike, Pat DeShazo, Rowena Diaz, Almeta Frazier, David Frazier, The Frazier Family, Gage Ford and Family, Wayne Gallahan, Jake Gallelo, Jeff Gilley, Karissa Greecher, Theresa Guarracino, Barbara Hatchell, Betty Jubb, Billy Kennedy, Sylvia Kennedy, Al Keyes, Robert Klink, Becky Lafferty, Ronald Marshall, Jim McCurtain, Paul Morfit, Mike Nave, Daniel (D.P.) Newton, Adolfo Pangilinan, Lina Perry, David Pitts, Elaine Cooley Pitts, Brad Pruett, Chuck Rabbitt, Patrick Robinson, Sam Robinson, Barbara Rowe, Joey Rowe, Kelly Roy, Malone Schooler, Brian Scott, Joseph Sirrels, K. J. Spears, Claude Stevens, Mary Stewart, Vickie Stewart, Dickie Sullivan, Kevin Sullivan, Ryland Tedeton, Mike Warnke, Joan Wehner, Jen Ulrich

***Prayer Request Cards*** are available in the pew rack

## **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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