

Prayer and Care List

Please pray for those who are homebound, sick and grieving:

At home: Liz & Vann Johnson, Harriet Heath, Pat Spear, Betty Pittman

Churchland House: Ed Heath

Lake Prince Woods: Sarah & Milt Brown

Parsons: Mary Alice Thomasson

Clergy and Staff

Pastor	Rev. Dr. H. Celeste Heath
Liturgist	Rev. Ellen Comstock
Lindauer Endowed Chair for Music and Fine Arts	Chris Titko
Administrative Assistants	Pam Snider, Dorothy Williams
Communications	Bonnie White, Chris Titko
Audio Visuals Control	Ray Comstock
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Calendar

August 4	7pm Southside Band
August 5	10am Leadership Board Meeting 5pm Wednesday Night Dinner
August 6	1:30pm Violin classes
August 7	Church Office Closed

Monumental

United Methodist Church

August 2, 2026

10th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *The Summons* *C. Callahan*

Gathering Singing *A Wilderness Wandering People v.1*
We are a wilderness wandering people,
on a journey of the soul.
May we find our destination in our longing to be whole.
Our Holy God is calling to us, with Jesus by our side.
May compassion be our compass,
may the Spirit be our guide.

Call to Worship

Come, all who are weary.
Christ strengthens us with love and grace.
In this strength, we can do all things.
We are here, ready to receive God's blessings.

Hymn *When Morning Gilds the Skies* *Hymnal #185*

Opening Prayer

Come to us, Holy God, even in our times of resistance. Work within and through us, even when we wrestle with doubt and despair. Enlighten and guide us, even in our darkest hours. Bless us and call us by name, even when we reject your presence. Hold us and love us, even when we try to run away. When we feel beat down by the world, and are weary with fatigue and sorrow, nourish us with your mercy and your grace. Fill us with your love, that we may go forth with confidence and faith. In your mighty name we pray, Amen.

Scripture Lesson *Genesis 32:22-31*

Offering

Anthem *In Christ Alone* L. Larson
 Miles Pifer, tenor

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Hymn *Be Thou My Vision* Hymnal #451

Sermon *Wrestling and Blessing*

Morning Prayers *There's a Spirit of Love in This Place*

SING There's a spirit of love in this place, There's a spirit of love in this place. You can't see it but it's there just as precious as the air. There's a spirit of Love in this place. O alleluia, sing alleluia. We bless your holy name. O alleluia, sing alleluia! There's a spirit of love in this place.

Pastoral Prayer

Silence

The Lord's Prayer

SING

Service of Holy Communion

Hymn *God Be with You till We Meet Again vs.1,2* Hymnal #672

Benediction (sung)

*May we cherish all our children,
let us heal our family's pain.
Help us cure our city's madness,
let love and justice reign.
Reconciled with one another
in prayer and praise and song,
We're the Body of Christ together
and we know that we belong...
We belong...we belong...we belong...*

Postlude *Improvisation on I Come With Joy* C. Titko

*Please stand if you are able.

Congregational Offering July 26, 2026

Received: \$2,295.00

TOTAL GIVING FOR 7/26/2026.....\$2,295.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Volunteers and Health & Safety Team Assignments

Vol.1, J. Hollowell check-in; Vol. 2, R. Hollowell (R2) greeter at Chapel entry door; Vol. 3, J. Epperson (R1) greeter at Dinwiddie Street door/Acolyte; R. Epperson (R3) Addnl. H&S Resp.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 9th

Monumental goes to Court Street Baptist.

Attic Sale - August 15, 9am-2pm

Donations are being accepted and may be placed on the stage. Be sure to come and find a treasure for yourself and **bring** a friend!

SAVE THE DATE-Rise Against Hunger Oct. 3rd 10am-12noon