

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, Dorothy Williams

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
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Communications	Bonnie White, Chris Titko
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Calendar

August 25	7pm Southside Band
August 26	5pm Wednesday Night Dinner
August 27	1:30pm Violin classes 6pm Handbell Rehearsal 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal
August 28	Church Office Closed

Monumental

United Methodist Church

August 23, 2026

13th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *As the Deer and Fairest Lord Jesus* M. Hayes

***Call to Worship** **Psalm 96**

O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the earth.

Sing unto the Lord, bless his name; show forth his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people.

For the Lord is great, and greatly to be praised: he is to be feared above all gods.

Honour and majesty are before him: strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Give unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the Lord glory and strength.

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come into his courts.

***Hymn** *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* Hymnal #126

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that too often our worship is distracted, our songs are offered without attention, and our hearts are slow to praise You. Forgive us for valuing our preferences above the unity of Your people and for withholding the devotion You deserve. Tune our hearts to Your grace, that our voices and lives may honor You in spirit and in truth. Amen.

Scripture Lesson *Colossians 3:12-17*

Offering

Anthem *Lord of the Dance* *D. Hart*
Jacob Underwood, tenor

***Doxology** *page 94*

Hymn Sing

Morning Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

Silence

The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn** *When in Our Music God is Glorified* *Hymnal #68*

Benediction

Postlude *Improvisation of MIT FREUDEN ZART* *C. Titko*

***Please stand if you are able.**

Congregational Offering August 16, 2026

Received: \$3,450.00

Use of Building & Facilities.....\$300.00
Missions (attic Sale).....\$3,455.00
TOTAL GIVING FOR 8/16/2026.....\$7,205.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Volunteers and Health & Safety Team Assignments

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Noonday Concert- Monday, Sept. 28th at 12 noon. Mary Dolch, organist and choir master at Galilee Church in Virginia Beach.

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

Charge Conference, Thursday, October 8, 6:30pm. Monumental will host the churches for the Western Region Charge Conference of our district.

Bells and Choir begin Thursday, August 27th. Bells at 6pm in the bell room. Extra ringers are needed. Choir at 7:15pm in the Choir Room. Join us in making a joyful noise.

The Leadership Board needs You! Are you gifted for Spiritual and Missional Leadership? Is God calling you to serve? Get an application and return it by August 31st.