

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
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Communications	Bonnie White, Chris Titko
Audio Visuals Control	Ray Comstock
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Calendar

July 28	7pm Southside Band
July 29	5pm Wednesday Night Dinner
July 30	1:30pm Violin classes

Monumental

United Methodist Church

July 26, 2026

9th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Berceuse

A. Respighi

Johnathan Spence, Violin

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

Praise the Lord!

We gather to sing praises to God.

Praise the Lord!

*We gather to give thanks for all God has done in our
lives.*

Praise the Lord!

*We gather to worship our creator, redeemer and
sustainer.*

***Hymn** *Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah* Hymnal #127

Opening Prayer

Holy One, we come before you with sighs too deep for words. We come with hearts overwhelmed- by the world, by personal relationships, and by inward struggles. We come to praise your name and to be reassured of your unending grace. In this time and place, open our hearts to your presence. Open our ears, to hear your word proclaimed. Open our hands to serve you and the world. May our lives reflect Christ, who walks with us and gives us life. In Christ we pray, Amen.

Scripture Lesson *Genesis 29:15-28*

Offering

Anthem *Andante Mosso* A. Respighi

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***Hymn** *Give to the Winds Thy Fears* Hymnal #129

Sermon *The Trickster Gets Tricked*

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

***Hymn** *Let My People Seek Their Freedom* Hymnal #586

***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 *Andantino, opus 12*

E. Elgar

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

Congregational Offering July 19, 2026

Received: \$1,920.00

Use of Building & Facilities.....\$75.00

TOTAL GIVING FOR 7/19/2026.....\$1,995.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Volunteers and Health & Safety Team Assignments

Vol.1, W. Roane (R1) check-in; Vol. 2, D. Roane (R2) greeter at Chapel entry door; Vol. 3, R. Scott greeter at Dinwiddie Street door/Acolyte; L. Edmonds (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