

Announcements for August 6 – August 13

Scripture Readings for Sunday, August 10

Proverbs 3:13-30; Matthew 9:18-38

Scripture Readings for Sunday, August 17

Isaiah 5:1-7; Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Daily and Sunday Lectionary Readings can be found at <https://pcusa.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary>.



Rev. Milford is away this week for continuing education at the Women's Connection event at Montreat and will be out of the office August 6-12. For pastoral care emergencies, please contact the church office or our on-call retired clergy, Rev. Bruce Smith.

UPCOMING Events

August 6— CE Committee, 6:00pm
Fellowship/Hospitality Committee, 6:00pm
Worship Committee, 7:00pm
August 13—Outreach Committee, 6:00pm
Property Committee, 7:00pm
August 17—Sunday Lunch, FH, 11:15am
August 19—Blood Drive, FH, 11:00am-5:00pm
August 24—Communion Sunday
September 1—Office Closed, Labor Day
September 7—Lift Kick Off
September 27—Churchwide Theater Night, 7:30pm

Committee Meeting Schedule

1st Wednesdays— Christian Education (6pm),
Hospitality & Fellowship (6pm), Worship & Music (7pm)
2nd Wednesdays— Outreach (6pm), Property (7pm)
3rd Wednesdays—Finance (6pm), Communication (7pm)

Beginning this month, all our Session committees will be meeting on Wednesdays. This rhythm will better facilitate communication between groups and reduce conflicts for time and space in the church calendar. Mark your calendars and consider joining in the conversations where we prayerfully consider where the Holy Spirit is leading us. For more information, contact the following elders:

Christian Education: Will Hendricks, Mike Gibson, Sam Valasko

Communication: Kurt Chewning, Joan Gaston, Joe Valasko

Finance and Stewardship: Paul Kukla, Tom Theado

Hospitality & Fellowship: Elizabeth Rehm, Bruce Harvey, Kathy Pecka

Outreach: Jim Toler, Lewis Lowery

Personnel: Betsy Lewis, Joan Darby

Property: Jerry Zekert, Debe Garrison

Worship and Music: Heather Eland, Barb LeRoy

Stated meetings of the Session will be held on the 1st Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm. The Deacons will meet on the 2nd Sunday of odd-numbered months after worship.

NEW SUNDAY SCHEDULE begins September 7



9:00 AM

LIFT - Living in Faith Together

1st Sundays
all ages together

2nd - 5th Sundays
age-level classes for children
topic series for youth and adults

10:00 AM

Community Gathering

coffee and fellowship in the
ed building lobby and churchyard

warm-up rehearsals for musicians

10:30 AM

Worship

in-person in the sanctuary,
livestreamed via YouTube

AFTER
WORSHIP

Covenant Choir (Children)

Youth Choir

3rd Sunday Lunch

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Early this Spring, the CE Committee discerned the need to adjust our Sunday schedule to increase participation and better meet the needs of multiple activities throughout the morning. The conversations continued in Worship and other committees, leading to a task force group that met this summer to identify needs and priorities. The above schedule reflects that work and was approved by the Session on August 3. Learn more about the rationale and benefits of this new rhythm each week in August during worship as we prepare to begin September 7.



School Dressing Days was a huge success! We thank all of you who donated gifts, items, and time. On Friday, July 25, 229 families were served which helped 622 students get ready for a new school year. Saturday, July 26, 260 families were served and 608 students got ready for a new school year. This is a total of 489 families and 1230 students....**Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!**



As we get ready for back to school, all of our students are invited to bring their backpacks to worship on next Sunday, August 17, for a special blessing for the upcoming year.

Sanctuary Flowers—If you would like to order flowers, in memory or honor of someone, or for a special occasion, please contact Sharon Humes, pshumes1@gmail.com. The cost of the flowers is \$70.00.



Lectionary Lunch —Join us every Thursday in the Conference Room of the Education Building from 12:00-1:00 to read the scripture for the upcoming worship service. Bring a lunch along and join us for an informal conversation.



The movie club will discuss the movie "Juror #2" (Amazon) on **Wednesday, August 20**, 10 AM in the Middle House. Bring your own drinks and/or snacks.

Contact Karen Johnson if you have any questions, (540) 621-5685, ksjohnson422@msn.com.

Churchwide Theater Night, Saturday, September 27 Join us for a riveting thriller, *Dial M for Murder*, Klein Theater, UMW, 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$21 which you will pay directly to Karen Johnson. We will have a potluck of sweet and savory nibbles beforehand at Karen and David Johnson's house, 1104 Douglas Street, starting at 5 PM. Contact Karen, ksjohnson422@msn.com, (540) 621-5685, if you would like to attend.

MISSION/OUTREACH



Brownies are needed for the Community Dinner on Saturday, August 16th. Please drop off the brownies at the church on Friday, August 15th or Saturday after 2:30PM. If you come on Friday, the door will be locked. Please call the office for access to the building. If you have questions or would like to help at the dinner, contact Karen Johnson, ksjohnson422@msn.com, (540) 621-5685.



Give the gift of life! Sign up for our next blood drive!
August 19, 11:00 am—5:00 pm, in the Fellowship Hall.

To be a part of this lifesaving mission, call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter FredericksburgPresbyterian (all one word) for the sponsor code. Don't forget to encourage your family members, friends, and co-workers to join you! If you have any questions, please contact Linda Benn at 540 370-1646 or lkrab@verizon.net.