

Announcements for July 2 – July 9

Scripture Readings for Sunday, July 6

Luke 10: 1-11; Galatians 6:1-16

Scripture Readings for Sunday, July 13

Hosea 5:15-6:6; Matthew 9:9-13

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 4—Office Closed for 4th of July

July 20—Pop up Picnic, Riverfront Park

July 25-26—School Dressing Days

July 25—Fredericksburg Nationals ballgame, 7:00pm

August 19—Blood Drive, FH, 11:00am-5:00pm



Please join us for a Pop up Picnic following worship **July 20, 2025 at Riverfront Park.**

What is a Pop up picnic? It's an event where you bring your own food and beverages along with chairs or picnic blanket and shade tent if you like. We will have a picnic and fellowship together.

Rev. Milford is on vacation July 8-12 and 20-22 and will be working remotely from Montreat while attending the Youth Conference with our high schoolers July 13-19. She will return to the office on Wednesday, July 23.

For pastoral care emergencies, please contact the church office or our on-call retired clergy, Mary Bielen (July 8-13) or Coy Franklin (July 14-21).



Take Me Out to the Ballgame— It's time for our annual church outing to see our Carolina League Champions, the Fred Nats. This year we will be enjoying the shady confines of the First Base Line Skyporch on Friday Night, July 25th. Gates open at 6:00pm for the 7:00pm game. Tickets are \$40.00 and include a buffet dinner consisting of hamburgers, hotdogs, potato salad, chips and drinks. If interested, please contact Scott Fischer at 540-760-4946 or VaNavigator@msn.com. You can also reserve your ticket before or after Sunday worship through July 7th.

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.



Communications Committee

Date: Monday, July 7th

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Conference Room (2nd floor) Education Building

Our church thrives when we communicate with clarity, purpose, and love—and we need your voice to help make that happen.

The Communications Committee will work to strengthen relationships within our church and build meaningful connections with our local community through clear, compassionate, and mission-driven communication.

Whether you're a seasoned communicator, someone with creative ideas, or simply passionate about building deeper connections—**your input matters.**

Come be part of shaping how we share our story and God's love. We look forward to seeing you there!



The movie club will discuss the documentary "Super/Man: The Christopher Reeve Story" (Amazon) on **Wednesday, July 16, 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.

MISSION/OUTREACH

Interfaith Community Council of Fredericksburg 2025 School Dressing Days

The annual School Dressing Days, will be held July 24th (set up day), 25th and 26th ("shopping days") at the Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints building on Bragg Rd. New clothing, school supplies, backpacks and toiletries are provided to children grades K-12 to get ready for back to school. As a member of the Interfaith Community Council, our church plays an integral role in this event, now into its sixth decade. Volunteers are needed to help the families "shop", keep items replenished, clean up, etc. on those two days and are also needed for set up on July 24th (hang up coats, bundle underwear and socks, arrange shirts on racks and jeans and backpacks on tables). There are plenty of tasks for all!

Other ways to help include:

*Monetary donations (make check to Interfaith Community Council with "School Dressing Days" on the memo line or use the QR code to donate online at interfaithcommunitycouncil.org). You can also put the check in the offering plate or mail them to P.O. Box 1336 Fredericksburg, VA 22402.

*We are Collecting:

- Boy's Boxer Briefs (not loose boxer shorts) Size S, M, L
- Little Girl's jeans size 7 or 8
- Full size Toothpaste
- Gently used outerwear (coats/jackets in children's sizes and teenage "hoodies") and new or gently used shoes.
- Backpacks
- Deodorant

The families are very appreciative of these items so please consider donating things your children have outgrown.

There will be a collection bin near the coat rack in Fellowship Hall. **Deadline is July 13th.**

To volunteer for the event, you can choose your time slot and use the QR code in the newsletter or click [HERE](#). We have a great need for volunteers who speak Spanish or other languages that could assist our refugee population. School Dressing Days is a huge undertaking and the support of The Presbyterian church is much appreciated!

For questions or for help signing up, contact Becky Paul at bcmrpaul@cox.net or 540-220-7161.



Donate Online



Volunteer

**SAVE THE DATE and plan to join us for our next Blood Drive on Tuesday August 19, 2025,
11:00 am-5:00 pm in the Church Fellowship Hall.**

Appointments are being taken @ redcrossblood.org. [Enter FredericksburgPresbyterian (all one word) for the sponsor code] or 1-800-733-2767. For more information, please contact Linda Benn @lkbrab@verizon.net or 540 370-1646.



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.



**In observance of Independence Day,
the Church Office will be CLOSED
Friday, July 4th.**

Have a Safe and Happy Fourth of July.