

# Announcements for July 9 – July 16

## Scripture Readings for Sunday, July 13

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

## Scripture Readings for Sunday, July 20

Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

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

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**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).

**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.

**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](mailto:pshumes1@gmail.com). The cost of the flowers is \$70.00.



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](mailto:ksjohnson422@msn.com).



**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](http://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 [lkbrab@verizon.net](mailto:lkbrab@verizon.net).

# MISSION/OUTREACH

## Interfaith Community Council of Fredericksburg 2025 School Dressing Days

The annual School Dressing Days, will be held July 24<sup>th</sup> (set up day), 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> ("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 24<sup>th</sup> (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](https://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 13<sup>th</sup>.**

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](mailto:bcmrpaul@cox.net) or 540-220-7161.



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Volunteer

### Help Wanted: Micah Lunch Making Coordinator

An important part of caring for our neighbors is making the bag lunches once a month for Micah churches, like ours, to distribute to those without stable housing. Sue Williams has done a great job coordinating this work for our church. However, she and George are moving soon. We'll miss you!

Please consider volunteering to oversee this feeding program for TPC. The coordinator schedules church groups, families and individuals to make 100 to 120 sandwiches and fills bags with items such as fruit cups, a spoon, crackers or cookies and a napkin. The lunches are delivered to Micah Hospitality Center on the fourth Monday morning of each month. Making the lunches can be a fun fellowship activity for your group!

Sue has several lunch-making teams set now, but we need a member or group to coordinate the effort year round. If you feel called to this ministry or you're interested in learning more contact Jim Toler at [jimtoller80@gmail.com](mailto:jimtoller80@gmail.com) or 540-207-1202.