

Announcements for September 10– September 17

Scripture Readings for Sunday, September 14

Luke 15:1-10; Psalm 14:1-7; 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Scripture Readings for Sunday, September 21

1 Timothy 2:1-7; Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

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

UPCOMING Events

September 10—Outreach Committee, 6:00pm, Music Rm.
Property Committee, 7:00pm, Conf. rm

September 14—LIFT Classes begin, 9:00am

September 17—Finance Committee, 6:00pm, Conf. rm
Communications Committee, 7:00pm, Conf. rm

September 21—Third Sunday Lunch, 11:30pm, Ed. Bldg.

September 27—Churchwide Theater Night, 7:30pm

October 3—Blessing of the Animals, 5:00-8:00pm

October 5—World Communion Sunday



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. You are welcome to take the flowers with you, or our deacons will arrange for them to be taken to members who are home-centered or recovering from surgery or illness.



Our search for an interim associate pastor or coordinator for faith formation is now live! Please help spread the word by sharing the post from the church page, or the direct link to the website and pray for the right person to lead us in faith formation through this transitional year. For more information, visit <https://fredericksburgpc.org/job-opportunities>.



The movie club will discuss the 2022 movie "The Quiet Girl" (Amazon Hulu) on **Wednesday, September 17, 10 AM** in the Middle House. Bring your own

drinks and/or snacks. Contact Karen Johnson if you have any questions, ksjohnson422@msn.com.

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4:00pm

Friday 8:00am-12:00pm

If the door is locked during office hours, or you need to leave a message, please call 540-373-7057. Visitors and members, please check in at the front desk.



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. Please reserve your ticket by September 17th. 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.

Suppers for Seven—Want to get to know your congregation better? Join Suppers for Seven. How can you get involved? You sign up, single or couple, and we will match you with others from the congregation to make groups of 7 to 8 people. Your group then organizes for dinners together which can take place in the home or in restaurants. It's a great fellowship opportunity. Sign ups will be following worship during September.

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.

Ladies Thursday Morning Bible Study - Returning members, newcomers, friends, and guests are welcome at our weekly bible study starting on Thursday, Sept 11 at 9:30 am in the first floor classroom of the Middle House. Fellowship and refreshments start at 9:30 am and we open our bibles for reading, discussions, questions (and maybe answers) from 10:00-11:30 am. We seek to understand and explore what it means to apply the message of Scripture. "Be doers of the Word, and not merely hearers," says the writer James (1:22). May it be so for all of us! And may it be that by doing the Word, we will fight a little less and love a little more. Contact Debe Garrison (garrison.debe@gmail.com) or Nancy Raines (nraines12@hotmail.com)

Season of Creation: Sunday Mornings in September

8:15 am Morning Prayer in the churchyard

a contemplative time of prayer and liturgy celebrating creation: Ocean, Fauna, Storm, Cosmos

10:30 am Worship in the sanctuary

a traditional service exploring the lectionary texts and 2025 theme: "Garden of Peace"

Friday, October 3, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Blessing of the Animals

at the corner of Princess Anne St and George Street

During the Season of Creation (September 1 – October 4), we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together. This year, in addition to exploring creation themes in worship, we will start each Sunday in September with an opportunity for prayer and reflection together outside and offer a community Blessing of the Animals alongside First Fridays downtown. For more information, including an invitation to an online Prayer Service for Creation Day on September 1, visit www.seasonofcreation.org.



Micah Ecumenical Ministries Golf Tournament

Peace United Methodist Church is hosting the fourth Annual Micah Ecumenical Ministries Golf Tournament on October 13. The registration deadline is Monday, September 29. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

MISSION/OUTREACH

Rebuilding homes, lives upended by Helene

Volunteers are encouraged to join in a rebuilding mission trip to the Asheville, NC-area on Nov. 2-8 to help residents who are still recovering from Hurricane Helene last September. Record-breaking rainfall and devastating winds took the lives of 107 people and destroyed or damaged homes, highways and bridges in western North Carolina. Help is now needed in the rebuilding phase. Teams from The Presbyterian Church and St. Matthias United Methodist are forming to work on projects identified by the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Anyone can participate. You do not need to be a carpenter or electrician or plumber to contribute. Helpers are needed just as much as craftsmen and tradesmen. If you are interested in participating, please contact Barry Jones or Steve Spratt to learn more and get added to the team's email list. Barry may be reached at bjones@mcqinc.com, Mobile: 540-903-6320, Home: 540-775-5729 or Steve at spratthomeimprovements@gmail.com or 540-840-2230.



Musical Opportunity for the Monthly Community Dinner---Musicians (instrumentalists/singers) wanted

to provide background music for the monthly Community Dinner (3rd Saturday from 4:00 to 5:00). Doris Johnson could be available to provide piano accompaniment, if needed. The guests appreciate the congenial atmosphere that music provides. Stacy Whalen has brought her piano students for a 'low stress recital' for them and their parents! Dessert is provided! Please text or email Doris Johnson if this volunteer opportunity interests you: dorislamirada@gmail.com or 218-590-5115.

Brownies are needed for the Community Dinner on Saturday, September 20th. Please drop off the brownies at the church on Friday, September 19th or Saturday after 2:30PM. The door will be locked on Fridays at noon; but there will be someone in the office until 4:00pm. 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.