

Announcements for September 3– September 10

Scripture Readings for Sunday, September 7

Philemon 1:1-7; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; Jeremiah 18:1-11

Scripture Readings for Sunday, September 14

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

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

UPCOMING Events

September 3—CE Committee, 6:00pm, Conf. Rm
Fellowship/Hospitality Committee, 6:00pm, FH
Worship Committee, 7:00pm, Art room
September 4—Music rehearsal resumes
September 7—Morning Prayer, 8:15am, Churchyard
Lift Kick Off, 9:00am, FH
Session meets, 6:00pm
September 10—Outreach Committee, 6:00pm, Conf. Rm.
Property Committee, 7:00pm, Conf. rm
September 14—LIFT Classes begin, 9:00am
September 27—Churchwide Theater Night, 7:30pm

LIFT Kickoff Breakfast

Join us on September 7 at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast (provided by the CE Committee). Adults and Youth will hear about class offerings for the fall and children will visit their classroom. All classes begin September 14.



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.



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.

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

the PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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With the beginning of our new Sunday morning schedule please be aware that the elevator assistant and the ushers will be on duty to assist you at 10:10. We want them to also enjoy LIFT opportunities and some fellowship too.

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.

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)



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.

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.



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.

**WE ARE
HIRING**

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>.