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# Worship... Service of the Lord's Day

May 15, 2022

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

*Children are welcome and encouraged to remain in Worship. If needed, Nursery (in Room 8) is available for children 3 and under. Please ask an usher or greeter if you need any assistance locating the Nursery.*

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

He Loved Me With A Cross

J. Lindsey/ S. Smith

Choral Introit

Rejoice, The Lord Is King

C. Wesley

Welcome and Announcements

**\*Hymn #386: O for a World**

Azmon

*O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways,  
Where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.*

*O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved,  
Where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.*

*We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice  
That opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.*

*The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the foolish ones are wise.  
Tell all who mourn; outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.*

*O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace  
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not always loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not always loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news! The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation; the old life has gone, and a new life has begun.

All: **In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**\*Gloria Patri**

Hymn #579

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

**\*Affirmation of Faith: From a Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA)**

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in God the Father, creator of heaven and earth. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God, who proclaimed the good news of God and called all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil and**

delivering us from death to life eternal. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, the giver and renewer of life who binds us together with all believers in every time and place in the one body of Christ, the Church. We therefore can rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### Children's Moment

Kathleen Lifsey

*After the Children's Moment, children preschool - 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are invited to participate in a combined Worship Workshop and Gateways to Worship experience in Room 1 to learn more about the practices and purpose of worship.*

### Choral Anthem

#### O God of Earth and Space

J. P. Huber

*O God of earth and space Of sea and fire and air  
Your providence surrounds us here And everywhere  
In fruit and grain and tree In shelter from the cold  
In cooling breezes flowing wells Now as of old  
Where faithfulness is shown Where love and truth abound  
Where beauty graces human life There You are found  
Inspirer of all thought Creative force of art  
The melody on every tongue In every heart  
Wherever freedom reigns Where sin is overthrown  
Where justice fused with mercy rules There You are known  
Give us the courage clear To make the earth a home  
For all to live in harmony In Christ's shalom  
Your word commands response And summons us to life  
We follow Strengthened by Your grace  
In calm or strife Our ever present help  
Our challenge and our prod We praise You  
Now and to life's end Eternal God*

### Prayer for Illumination

#### New Testament Reading: Acts 11:1-18

(pew Bible NT, p. 130)

“Who are we to hinder God?”

Peter Thompson

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

### Minute for Education

### Call to Offering

#### Offertory Anthem

#### All To Jesus I Surrender

J. W. Ven De Venter

*All to Jesus I surrender, All to Him I freely give;  
I will ever love and trust Him, In His presence daily live.*

*Refrain: I surrender all, I surrender all; All to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.*

*All to Jesus I surrender, Make me, Savior, wholly Thine;  
Let me feel Thy Holy Spirit, Truly know that Thou art mine. [Refrain]*

*All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee;  
Fill me with Thy love and power, Let Thy blessing fall on me. [Refrain]*

### \*Doxology

Hymn #592

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

### \*Prayer of Dedication

## WE GO OUT IN GOD'S SERVICE

### \*Hymn #435: We All Are One in Mission

Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvoegelein

*We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,  
Our varied gifts united. By Christ, the Lord of all.  
A single, great commission, compels us from above  
To plan and work together, that all may know Christ's love.  
We all are called for service, to witness in God's name;  
Our ministries are different, our purpose is the same:  
To touch the lives of others, by God's surprising grace  
So every folk and nation, may feel God's warm embrace.  
Now let us be united, and let our song be heard.  
Now let us be a vessel, for God's redeeming word.  
We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,  
Our varied gifts united, by Christ, the Lord of all.*

### \*Benediction

### \*Choral Benediction

Threefold Amen

Traditional

### Postlude

Hold to God's Unchanging Hand

J. B. Wilson/ F. L. Eiland

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*Worship, Grow, Love, Serve*

**Walk with God - Sundays @ 4:00 p.m.**

Leaders are Noel and Bob Thomas

Devotion and 45-minute walk on Peakland Place - All level of walkers welcome!!

### Scout Sunday

Sunday, May 22 @ 10:30 a.m. during worship. Join us in celebrating our scouting ministry with the youth of Scout Troop 7, Scout Troop 49, Cub Pack 7, their leaders, and families!

### Rivermont Area Blood Drive

Thursday, May 19 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church. Sign up on [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

Interested in volunteering, please use this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080849a8a62cabfb6-blood4>

### "Come and Be Fed" Fellowship Dinner Series

May 22, June 26, and July 31 @ 4:30pm

Come, eat, & learn about the greatest needs and challenges in Lynchburg from leaders of FPCLY's local ministry partners.

*\*\* 15 oz. cans of fruit collected at each dinner\*\**

### FPCLY IMPACT week: July 24-30

An opportunity for YOU to make an impact in **and** be impacted by our community while serving with the partners who share at these dinners.

Contact Alex Collier for more info at [alex@fpcly.org](mailto:alex@fpcly.org)

**Vacation Bible School is back!**  
**June 6-10 8:30am-12pm!**

**All children ages 3yo through completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited!**  
Middle and high school youth and adult volunteers are needed as helpers  
to make this week extraordinary!  
*Registration is open on [fpcly.org](http://fpcly.org) or use the appropriate QR code below  
for a direct link.*



Child Registration:



Youth Helper:



**\*\* Please view the calendar at [www.fpcly.org](http://www.fpcly.org) or call the church office for more information. \*\***

**Pastor on Call: Peter Thompson (336) 269-7270**

**Members Helping Members for May: Stannard Preston (434) 851-2414**

# TENTATIVE FPCLY IMPACT WEEK OPPORTUNITIES – JULY 24–30

Least Strenuous	Moderate	Most Strenuous
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Community Partner “Thank You” Bags</b> (Monday 9am @ FPCLY) Building and delivering bags of cookies, notes, etc. for our main community partners. <i>All Ages</i></li> <li>• <b>Lynchburg Daily Bread Blessings</b> (Tuesday, 9am @ FPCLY) Print, cut, sort, and deliver small blessings to Daily Bread that they put into meal bags.</li> <li>• <b>Daily Bread “Kids Meals”</b> (Tuesday and Friday, 9am @ FPCLY) Pack and deliver kid-friendly meals for Daily Bread. <i>All Ages</i></li> <li>• <b>Birthday Card Creation</b> (Tuesday &amp; Wednesday 1-3pm @ FPCLY) Create birthday cards to be sent to college students and families of FPCLY. <i>All Ages</i></li> <li>• <b>No-Sew Blankets</b> (Tuesday &amp; Wednesday 1-3pm @FPCLY) Make no-sew blankets to be given to community partner organizations. <i>All Ages</i></li> <li>• <b>Visit our “homebound” members</b> (All Week @ various locations)</li> <li>• <b>Meals on Wheels Ride Along</b> (All Week; location and times TBD)</li> <li>• <b>Choir Singing @ Westminster Canterbury</b> (Monday 2pm @ WC) Join the choir as they sing during the Chapel time at WC.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Park View Clothing Connection</b> (Mon &amp; Thur 1-3pm @ Park View) Sort, fold, and hang donated clothing in the Clothing Connection store where neighbors can shop for needed items.</li> <li>• <b>Tour the Presbyterian Cemetery</b> (Mon morning TBD @ Presbyterian Cemetery) Learn the history and work of this beautiful space, plus the current needs. <i>All Ages</i></li> <li>• <b>Lunch Service @ Lynchburg Daily Bread</b> (Wed 9:30-12:30 @ LDB – 18yrs and older) Join Alex as we package and serve hot lunches to our neighbors downtown. Limited spots.</li> <li>• <b>Jubilee Family Development Center</b> (Wed 1-3pm @ Jubilee) Assisting and engaging with Jubilee’s Summer Program youth.</li> <li>• <b>Food For Thought Weekend Bags</b> (Friday 1-3pm @ FFT Warehouse) Prepare and pack bags of meals that will go to families throughout our community.</li> <li>• <b>Miriam’s House</b> (TBD) Boxed lunch prep, yard work, or lounge area repair.</li> <li>• <b>Lunches at Miller Park</b> (TBD @ FPCLY and Miller Park) Prepare bagged lunches @ FPCLY; serve at Miller Park</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interfaith Outreach</b> (Mon and Tuesday 8am-12; location TBD) Build and install ramps at neighbors homes and/or work in the furniture warehouse.</li> <li>• <b>Park View Food For Families</b> (Thur 9am-2pm @ Park View) Help stock and organize shelves, and assist neighbors as they shop in the food pantry.</li> <li>• <b>Food For Thought Warehouse Work</b> (TBD @ FFT Warehouse) Maintenance, repairs, and painting @ FFT.</li> <li>• <b>Neighborhood Clean-up @ Daily Bread</b> (Friday 9am @ Daily Bread) Help pick up garbage in the neighborhood surrounding Daily Bread. Trash bags and grabber claws provided.</li> <li>• <b>Churches for Urban Ministry</b> (TBD @ Downtown locations) Community Garden clean-up/maintenance; Camp Timothy tutoring/connection</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"> <b>More opportunities are in the works— stay tuned!</b> </p>

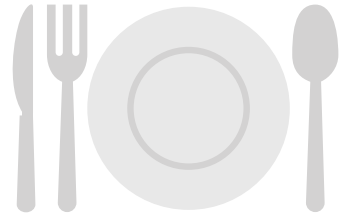
**SIGN-UP SHEETS WILL BE AVAILABLE SUNDAY, MAY 22 THROUGH IMPACT WEEK @ FPCLY AND ON-LINE**

*You're invited to our new*  
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*Fellowship Dinners*

Starting April 24th, we will host a monthly evening of contemporary praise and worship followed by conversation and a potluck dinner around the table. Leaders from many of our community partners will lead the discussion! Each "Come and Be Fed" dinner will start at 4:30pm in the Fellowship Hall!



**April 24**



**May 22**



**June 26**



**July 31**

We will have conversation around the table and wrap-up our summer IMPACT service week (more to come soon).

Please bring a potluck dish (side item, salad, or dessert) that will feed 4-6 people!

Main course will be provided!

Each night, we will also collect 15 oz. cans of fruit for the Rivermont Area Emergency Food Pantry (RAEFP).

