

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2021

REMINDER: We have regathered for in person worship each Sunday at 10 am, and no reservations are needed. For those not ready to return, the livestream continues on our YouTube Channel

FAREWELL TO MATTHEW LITTLE

We hope you will join us as we say farewell to Matthew Little this Sunday at our 10 am service. He will be our organist for the last time, and we will send him off with prayers and a blessing. Following the service there will be a reception in his honor.

OUR NEXT PICNIC IS WEDNESDAY JULY 7 AT 6 PM. PLAN TO JOIN US!

LEMONADE OUT OF LEMONS

It's been a lemon of a year - time to make lemonade! Join us for lemonade and cookies in Lackey Hall after the 10 AM service. All who are comfortable returning are welcome. Please allow safe distancing and we recommend that you stay for a short time. Masks are optional for the fully vaccinated. Volunteers needed to serve - contact Lee Boisseau.

JOIN US FOR TRI-CITY CHILI PEPPERS BASEBALL!

What: Faith and Family Night

When: Sunday, June 27th 5:45pm

Where: Shepherd Stadium, Colonial Heights

Info: We will have our own section of seating at the stadium, in the general admissions section. There is a general admission ticket \$10, and then there is one that includes all you can eat food \$16. Can parishioners share this link with other family and friends- Yes! Contact the church office for more info.

PRAYER LIST

We beg you to feed the hungry, protect the refugee, embrace the distressed, house the homeless, nurse the sick, and comfort the dying. Especially we pray for James Christiansen, Thomas Clark, Melba Felty, Kathy Hackett, Pret Kaichen, Gracelyn Parks, Mark Sheffield, and Mary Villepontoux.

CREATION CARE STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Southside Virginia Emergency Crew will be accepting donations for the Petersburg Animal Shelter! The shelter is willing to take any donations such as treats, food, or litter, but are most in need of cleaning supplies such as bleach and Joy laundry detergent.

You can bring your donations to the station at 425 Graham Road Petersburg, VA 23805 Monday through Friday from 10AM to 4PM so we can guarantee that someone will be there to accept your donation.

You may also bring donations to the church on Sundays (June 20, June 27, and July 4) and Bee and Robin will deliver them to the Southside Virginia Emergency Station. A collection bin will be in the sanctuary near the baptismal font.

The Collect

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

As you excel in everything-- in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you-- so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something-- now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has-- not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written,

“The one who had much did not have too much,
and the one who had little did not have too little.”

Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.