

~Page United Methodist Church~

Our Mission: To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World!

Our Vision: Loving, Feeding, Praying, Serving!

June 2, 2019

Seventh Sunday in Easter

* Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING MUSIC

RINGING OF THE HOUR & LIGHTING OF THE SANCTUARY

OPENING PRAYER: **Gracious God, through a vision you sent forth Paul to preach the gospel and called the women to the place of prayer on the sabbath. Grant that we may be sent like Paul and be found like Lydia, our hearts responsive to your word and open to go where you lead us.**

Amen. (Revised Common Lectionary Prayers, pg. 123)

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Vicki Davison

LEADER: God who loves the world extravagantly, draw us near to your heart this day.

ALL: We seek to know your perfect love that drives out all fear.

LEADER: God who gives bread to the hungry, fill us with courage to freely share the bread of your Word.

ALL: We seek your power to loosen our shackled tongues that the world might rejoice to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ. Alleluia! Let us worship God.

(adapted from *Words for Worship 2*, #32)

*HYMN: *Christ is Alive*

Red Hymnal #318

*INVITATION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Red Hymnal pg. 12

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING, OFFERTORY PRAYER, ANTHEM

*DOXOLOGY:

Red Hymnal #95

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

RECOGNIZING SCOTT KLINE

JOYS AND CONCERNS & PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN: *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

Red Hymnal #133

1st SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 17:20-26 (p.766)

Vicki Davison

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God**

2nd SCRIPTURE LESSON: Acts 16:16-34 (p.784)

SERMON *Rejoice!*

Rev. Laura Stratton

HOLY COMMUNION

Red Hymnal pg. 13

LORD'S PRAYER: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: **Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.** (*Red Hymnal pg.11*)

*HYMN: *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

Red Hymnal #64

You are always welcome to come to the altar and pray during our last hymn.

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL: *Alleluia (vs. 1)*

Red Hymnal #186

Today's Altar Flowers are given by Garnetta Foley in memory of Joe on his birthday, June 4th!

We have large-print hymnals available. If you would like one, please let Pastor Laura or an usher know.

Don't let Sunday be the end of your spiritual focus this week. Continue your faith journey with:

PRAYER: This week, pray this prayer: *God of boundless grace, you call us to drink freely of the well of life and to share the love of your holy being. May the glory of your love, made known in the victory of Jesus Christ, our Savior, transform our lives and the world he lived and died to save. We ask this in his name and for his sake. Amen.* (Revised Common Lectionary Prayers pg. 125)

STUDY: Reread today's Scripture readings. How have you experienced freedom through life Christ? How have been able to praise God in all circumstances?

SERVICE: How are you helping others to experience the freedom of God?

Our Stewardship

"We will be loyal to the United Methodist Church and support it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our services and our witness."

Vital Statistics through May 26th

Attendance: 45 **Joined Church:** 0 **People in Mission:** 26 **Small Groups:** 3
General Fund: \$909.74 **Amount Needed Each Week:** \$2179.00 **Amount to Mission:** \$23

Serving today:

- Pianist: Dale Hamilton
- Organist: Nora Belle Comer
- Choir Director: J.R. Stratton
- Ushers: Daryl Davison, Aron Davison, Donnie Grinnan, & C.T. Campbell

JUNE 2, 2019 REJOICE!



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PAGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1062 Springfield Road, Luray, Virginia 22835
www.pageumc.org

Sunday School 9:45am

WORSHIP 11:00am

Pastor.....Rev. Laura Stratton

Parsonage: 743-5556 Office: 743-6446 - Email: pageumcpastor@gmail.com

(Office Hours: Tuesday 2:30-4:30 & By Appointment)

Lay Leader.....Nora Belle Comer

District Superintendent.....Rev. Dr. Victor Gómez

Bishop, Virginia Conference.....Rev. Sharma Lewis

~ Our Life Together at Page UMC ~

This Week

- Sunday, 6/2** **9:45am Sunday School**
10:30am Choir Practice
11:00am Sunday Worship
- Monday, 6/3** **10:00am Nurture**
12:00pm Wednesday Prayer on Monday Edition!
- Tuesday, 6/4** **No Office Hours – Pastor Laura on Vacation**
- Thursday, 6/6** **No Gathering Grounds – Pastor Laura on Vacation**
- Sunday, 6/9** **9:45am Sunday School**
10:30am Choir Practice
11:00am Sunday Worship

Looking Ahead

- Thursday, 6/20 – Saturday 6/22** **Annual Conference in Roanoke**
Saturday, 6/29 **Vacation Bible School!**
Sunday, 6/30 **5th Sunday Special Offering for the West End Rec Center**
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Worship With Us

- **Liturgists:** If you are interested in reading Scripture and leading the Call to Worship during worship on Sunday, please tell Pastor Laura.
- **Choir:** Join us Sundays at 10:30am in the sanctuary for practice.
- **Nursery:** Children are welcome during Sunday worship, and we have a moment we spend talking just to them. We have Bibles and crayons and paper in the pews for children. Nursery services are available for children ages 0-6 years old. Two adults will be in the nursery, located downstairs. If you need help, ask the ushers to help you find the way.

Grow With Us

- **Sunday School:** Take another opportunity to grow in your faith and join us for Sunday School at 9:45am! We have classes for all ages.
- **Wednesday Prayer:** Pastor Laura invites all to join in a time of prayer & devotion Wednesdays at noon. To receive an email reminder, tell Pastor Laura.
- **Prayer List:** If you asked for prayers for someone, please let Pastor Laura know

about updates on their condition. We want to be able to celebrate their joys and continue our prayers for those who need it, while keeping our list current.

- **Star Parties:** If you are interested in observing the night sky and enjoying God's creation, then let Pastor Laura know. She is currently creating a list of people who are interested in participating in star and planet-gazing. Weather-permitting, we will begin having events this summer.

Serve With Us

- **Page One:** During May we will collect **Macaroni & Cheese**. Don't forget to add this to your shopping list.
- **Feeding the Lambs:** Thank you to everyone for helping to pack the bags of food for the children at Springfield Elementary!

Community Opportunities

- **Hymn and Praise Festival:** On Sunday, June 23rd, Luray UMC will host a benefit concert for Arise Homeless Ministries. The concert will feature soloists, the Luray UMC choir, and a combined praise band from Luray UMC and Mount Carmel Baptist Church. There is no charge, but a free-will offering will be taken for Arise.

Pastor Laura is on vacation from Tuesday, June 4 – Sunday, June 9. Pastor Jonathan Lamb is on call in the event of an emergency while Pastor Laura is on vacation. If you need to reach him, his phone number is: 540-742-1535.

Pastor Laura has created Summer Travel Devotionals for use while on vacation. If you need one, please let Pastor Laura know!

John 17:20-26

Jesus prays – ‘I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word,²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one,²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵ ‘Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me.²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.’

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