

# ~Page United Methodist Church~

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

*Our Vision: Loving, Feeding, Praying, Serving!*

**August 25, 2019**

**Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost**

\* Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING MUSIC

RINGING OF THE HOUR AND LIGHTING OF THE SANCTUARY

OPENING PRAYER: **Our Lord and God, Maker of heaven and earth, tender shepherd of the flock, our praise is due to you for your work in our lives; sometimes healing, sometimes comforting, sometimes convicting, sometimes pushing beyond the familiar and secure. Do your work among us today. Amen.** (adapted from *Words for Worship 1 #135*)

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Vicki Davison*

LEADER: God has breathed the breath of life within us.

**ALL: Blessed be God, and God's blessing be upon us.**

LEADER: God has saved us from sin and death through grace.

**ALL: Blessed be God, and God's blessing be upon us.**

LEADER: God has empowered us to serve others in Christ's name.

**ALL: Blessed be God, and God's blessing be upon us. Let us worship God!**

(adapted *Words for Worship 2 #278*)

\*HYMN: *Come Away With Me* *Black Hymnal #2202*

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING, OFFERTORY PRAYER, ANTHEM

\*DOXOLOGY: *(In Unison)* **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.** *(Red Hymnal #95)*

CHILDREN'S TIME

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

\*HYMN: *We've a Story to Tell to the Nations* *Red Hymnal #569*

1<sup>st</sup> SCRIPTURE LESSON: Ephesians 6:18-20 *(p.830)* *Vicki Davison*

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

All: **Thanks be to God**

2<sup>nd</sup> SCRIPTURE LESSON: Matthew 28:16-20 *(p.706)*

SERMON: *Prayers for Our Witness* *Rev. Laura Stratton*

\*HYMN: *Go, Make of All Disciples* *Red Hymnal #571*  
*You are always welcome to come to the altar and pray during our last hymn.*

\*BENEDICTION

\*RECESSIONAL: *Amen* *Red Hymnal #898*

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*Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God!*

*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: *O God, be present with us always; dwell within our hearts. With your light and your Spirit, guide our souls, our thoughts, and all our actions, that we may teach your Word, that your healing power may be in us and in your church universal. Amen. (Words for Worship 1 #131)*

**STUDY:** Reread today's Scripture readings. Do you pray for the courage to witness to others? Do you pray for the people you hope to witness to? How has prayer affected your efforts to make disciples?

**SERVICE:** Look for opportunities to make disciples through your prayers, your actions, and your words.

**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 August 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Attendance:** 47 **Joined Church:** 0 **People in Mission:** 4 **Small Groups:** 5  
**General Fund:** \$822.30 **Amount Needed Each Week:** \$2179.00 **Amount to Mission:** \$35

**Serving today:**

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

**AUGUST 25, 2019**

**PRAYERS FOR OUR WITNESS**



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**PAGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

1062 Springfield Road, Luray, Virginia 22835

[www.pageumc.org](http://www.pageumc.org)

Sunday School 9:45am

WORSHIP 11:00am

Pastor.....Rev. Laura Stratton

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(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

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## ~ Our Life Together at Page UMC ~

### This Week

<b>Sunday, 8/25</b>	<b>9:45am Sunday School</b> <b>10:30am Choir Practice</b> <b>11:00am Sunday Worship</b> <b>September-October Newsletter Deadline – articles to Steve Judd</b>
<b>Monday, 8/26</b>	<b>10:00am Nurture Meets</b> <b>6:00pm Evening Prayer at Page UMC</b>
<b>Tuesday, 8/27</b>	<b>2:30-4:30pm Pastor Laura Office Hours</b>
<b>Wednesday, 8/28</b>	<b>7:30am Morning Walk &amp; Devotion</b> <b>12:00pm Wednesday Prayer</b> <b>7:00pm Administrative Council Meeting</b>
<b>Thursday, 8/29</b>	<b>10:00-12:00pm Pastor Laura at Gathering Grounds</b>
<b>Sunday, 9/1</b>	<b>9:45am Sunday School</b> <b>10:30am Choir Practice</b> <b>11:00am Sunday Worship</b>

### Looking Ahead

<b>Saturday, 9/21</b>	<b>12:00-3:30pm Charge Conference @ Manor Memorial UMC</b>
<b>Sunday, 9/22</b>	<b>11:00am Outdoor Worship Service @ Rileyville Rec Center</b>

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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, crayons and paper available 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:** Grow in your faith and join us for Sunday School at 9:45am!

- **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.
- **Morning Walk & Devotion:** We will meet for the final time at 7:30am on the 28<sup>th</sup> for a short devotion, and then a walk.
- **Evening Prayer:** On Monday the 26<sup>th</sup>, we will have our final evening prayer service at 6:00pm. Come for this time of reflection and prayer with our Lord.

## Serve With Us

- **Page One:** During September we will collect **Peanut Butter**. 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. Stay tuned for the next packing date!

## Community Opportunities

- **Ecumenical Peace Walk:** Join with other churches in Luray on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm at the Luray Singing Tower. We will walk to the West End Red Center and back to the Singing Tower with will stops along the way to meditate on and work towards peace in our world.
- **WRE "Sundae" on Tuesday:** WRE is holding their "Sundae" on Tuesday event on Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. This is a fundraiser for the program. See Ruby Hoover for tickets.

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### **Outdoor Worship – Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:00am @ the Rileyville Recreation Center**

*Instead of our regular 11am worship at Page UMC, we will worship outside at the Rec Center picnic shelter with the Rileyville Church of the Brethren and the Rileyville Assemblies of God. A potluck lunch will follow, so bring a side or dessert to share. We will collect an offering of canned food for Page One, too. Bring your lawn chairs and be ready for a wonderful time of worship and fellowship! If you have questions, please ask Pastor Laura.*

**Directions:** Take 340-N, past Page UMC for several miles. Turn right onto Rt. 662 (Rileyville Road). Road will fork. Stay to the left. Travel approximately 1/2 mile and pass Rileyville Church of the Brethren. Cross railroad tracks and make an immediate left and bear to the right to get to the Rileyville Recreation Center picnic shelter.

## **Ephesians 6:18-20**

<sup>18</sup> Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. <sup>19</sup> Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

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

**All: Thanks be to God**