

~Page United Methodist Church~

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

Our Vision: Loving, Feeding, Praying, Serving!

January 13, 2019

Baptism of the Lord

* Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING MUSIC

RINGING OF THE HOUR & LIGHTING OF THE SANCTUARY

OPENING PRAYER: **God, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, mark us with your image, and raise us to live our baptismal vows empowered by the Holy Spirit and the example of Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.** (*Revised Common Lectionary Prayers pg. 54*)

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Chris Fowler

LEADER: We come together as the family of faith.

ALL: We assemble to honor the living God.

LEADER: Through Christ we become God's holy household.

ALL: In Christ we are bonded together to be God's people.

LEADER: Our worship is united into oneness by the Holy Spirit.

ALL: In communion with the Holy Spirit, let us celebrate our unity. Let us worship God!

(adapted *Words for Worship 1, #11058*)

*HYMN: *I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*

Black Hymnal #2051

*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

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: *You Are Mine*

Black Hymnal #2281

1st SCRIPTURE LESSON: Isaiah 43:1-7 (*p.514*)

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

All: **Thanks be to God**

2nd SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (*p.726*)

SERMON: *Welcome to the Family*

Rev. Laura Stratton

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Red Hymnal pg. 50

If anyone is not baptized and is interested in being baptized at a future date, please let Pastor Laura know!

*HYMN: *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

Red Hymnal #557

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

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL: *Shalom to You*

Red Hymnal #666

The 2019 Flower Calendar is on the table in the sanctuary for anyone who wants to sign up!

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: *Living God, when the Spirit descended on Jesus at this baptism in Jordan's water you revealed him as your own beloved Son. You anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Grant that all who are baptized into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior now and for ever. Amen. (United Methodist Book of Worship #301)*

STUDY: Reread today's Scripture readings. Read also Romans 8:14-17 and Ephesians 2:8-10. What does baptism mean for you and your life? How have you been welcomed into the body of Christ?

SERVICE: How can you welcome others into the family 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 January 6th

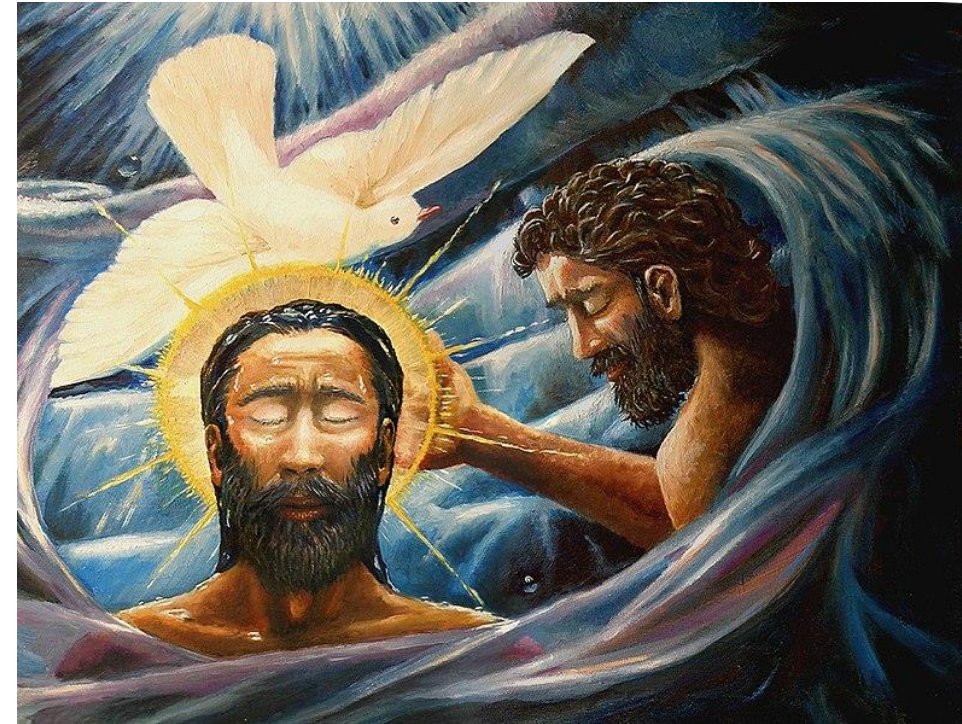
Attendance: 64 **Joined Church:** 0 **People in Mission:** 25 **Small Groups:** 4
General Fund: \$3272.53 **Amount Needed Each Week:** \$2179.00 **Amount to Mission:** \$214

Serving today:

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

JANUARY 13, 2019

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY



(<https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Baptism-of-Christ.jpg>)

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: pageumpastor@gmail.com

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

Lay Leader.....Nora Belle Comer

District Superintendent.....Rev. Dr. Victor Gomez

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

~ Our Life Together at Page UMC ~

This Week

Sunday, 1/13	9:45am Sunday School 10:30am Choir Practice 11:00am Sunday Worship
Monday, 1/14	10:00am Nurture Meets 3:00 - 4:30pm Winter Study Begins! *** Note Time Change***
Tuesday, 1/15	2:30-4:30pm Pastor Laura's Office Hours
Wednesday, 1/16	12:00pm Wednesday Prayer 7:00pm Trustee Meeting 7:00pm Choir Practice
Thursday, 1/17	10:00-12:00pm Pastor Laura at Gathering Grounds
Sunday, 1/20	9:45am Sunday School 10:30am Choir Practice 11:00am Sunday Worship

Looking Ahead

Monday, 1/21	7:00pm Finance Meeting
Wednesday, 1/23	7:00pm Administrative Council Meeting
Sunday, 1/27	February-March Newsletter Deadline

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.
- **Wednesday Online Chapel Service:** The conference Communications office has started showing the sermons of the chapel services held each Wednesday on Facebook Live at the Virginia United Methodist Center located in Glen Allen. Tune in by going to the conference Facebook page.
- **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.
- **Winter Study:** Our afternoon winter study will meet beginning Monday, January 14 through Monday, February 11 from 1:00-2:30pm. Our study will be *God of the Bible: A Study for United Methodists about How God Is Revealed in Scripture*.
- **Winter Supper Study:** Our winter supper study will meet Monday, February 11 – Monday, February 25 from 6:00-7:30pm and discuss the book *Finding God in the Waves: How I Lost My Faith and Found It Again Through Science* by Mike McHargue. Let Pastor Laura know by January 20th, if you want her to order you a copy of the book. The cost is \$11.

Serve With Us

- **Page One:** During January we will collect **Canned Tuna**. 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 our packing dates in the new year.

Isaiah 43:1-7

But now thus says the Lord,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
³ For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.
⁴ Because you are precious in my sight,
and honoured, and I love you,
I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.
⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;
⁶ I will say to the north, 'Give them up',
and to the south, 'Do not withhold';
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of the earth—

⁷ everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.'

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All: **Thanks be to God**