

~Page United Methodist Church~

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

Our Vision: Loving, Feeding, Praying, Serving!

February 10, 2019

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

* Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING MUSIC

RINGING OF THE HOUR & LIGHTING OF THE SANCTUARY

OPENING PRAYER: **Clear our cluttered busy minds, Lord. For this hour of worship together, free us from all worries. Allow us to concentrate on you. Make us new people in you – people of love in action; servants with boundless energy. We would follow Jesus! Amen.** (adapted from Harvey's

Prayers for Worship pg. 12 & 14)

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Bonnie Judd

LEADER: O Lord our God, in this act of worship, we glory in your light and love made known to us in Jesus Christ.

ALL: Come, O light divine, and dispel our human darkness!

LEADER: Come, O love divine, and melt our hard and loveless hearts!

ALL: Make us mirrors of light and models of love; make us partners in your creative acts for all people. Reconciles us to ourselves, to others, and to yourself, as we glory in your light and life. Let us worship God!

(adapted *Words for Worship 1, #127*)

*HYMN: *This Is My Father's World*

Red Hymnal #144

*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: *Praise the Source of Faith and Learning* *Black Hymnal #2004*

1st SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 1 (p.383)

Bonnie Judd

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

All: **Thanks be to God**

2nd SCRIPTURE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (p. 813)

SERMON: *Knowledge & Love*

Rev. Laura Stratton

*HYMN: *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens* *Red Hymnal #150*
You are always welcome to come to the altar and pray during our last hymn.

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL: *Shalom to You*

Red Hymnal #666

Today's Altar Flowers are given by Martha Watkins in honor of February birthdays: Shannon Minor, Shannon Grinnan, Krysten Grinnan and in memory of her Dad, Clarence Starkey.

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 of all the prophets, you knew us and chose us before you formed us in the womb. Fill us with faith that speaks your word, hope that does not disappoint, and love that bears all things for your sake, until that day when we shall know you fully, even as we are known by you. Amen.* (Revised Common Lectionary Prayers, pg. 61)

STUDY: Reread today's Scripture readings. What does it mean to have all knowledge but not have love? Why does love matter? What difference does it make?

SERVICE: How have you united knowledge and love to serve others?

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 February 3rd

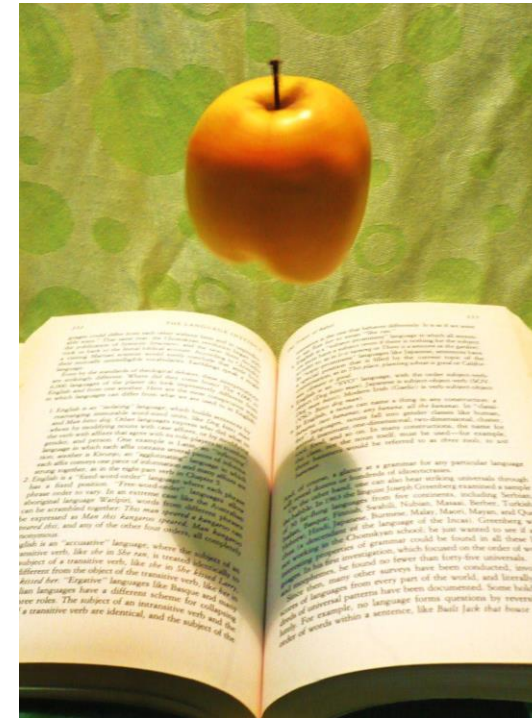
Attendance: 43 **Joined Church:** 0 **People in Mission:** 4 **Small Groups:** 5
General Fund: \$2636.00 **Amount Needed Each Week:** \$2179.00 **Amount to Mission:** \$118

Serving today:

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

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KNOWLEDGE & LOVE



(<https://steemit.com/life/@cardinalpatrick/love-is-inseparable-from-knowledge>)

PAGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1062 Springfield Road, Luray, Virginia 22835
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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, 2/10** **9:45am Sunday School**
10:30am Choir Practice
11:00am Sunday Worship
- Monday, 2/11** **10:00am Nurture Meets**
1:00 - 2:30pm Winter Study
6:00-7:30pm Winter Supper Study Begins
- Tuesday, 2/12** **2:30-4:30pm Pastor Laura's Office Hours**
- Wednesday, 2/13** **12:00pm Wednesday Prayer**
7:00pm Choir Practice
- Thursday, 2/14** **10:00-12:00pm Pastor Laura at Gathering Grounds**
- Sunday, 2/17** **9:45am Sunday School**
10:30am Choir Practice
11:00am Sunday Worship
12:00pm Packing for Feeding the Lambs
1:00pm Fellowship Lunch at ...

Looking Ahead

Wednesday, 2/20 **7:00pm Admin Council Meeting**

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 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.

Serve With Us

- **Page One:** During January we will collect **Canned Fruit**. 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! We will pack after church on Sunday, February 17 and on Sunday, March 10.

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*Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> and again February 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm at Asbury UMC in Harrisonburg, there will be presentations and discussions on "The Commission on a Way Forward" and the General Conference discussion on human sexuality. The meetings will be in room 300, also called Slaven Hall*

*February 3<sup>rd</sup> presentation will be on options and decisions before General Conference, and some of the potential consequences of the plans. This first meeting will focus more on the institutional questions.*

*February 10<sup>th</sup> presentation will be on theological issues raised by the topic of human sexuality. The values informing the three plans will be lifted up and brief reflections on Biblical/theological approaches will be offered. This second meeting will focus more on the personal questions.*

## Psalm 1

<sup>1</sup> Happy are those

who do not follow the advice of the wicked,  
or take the path that sinners tread,  
or sit in the seat of scoffers;

<sup>2</sup> but their delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and on his law they meditate day and night.

<sup>3</sup> They are like trees

planted by streams of water,  
which yield their fruit in its season,  
and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

<sup>4</sup> The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

<sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

<sup>6</sup> for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.

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

All: **Thanks be to God**