

June 19, 2022 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:45 a.m.

Gathering those who fear they are not enough, so we may experience grace, wholeness, and renewal as God's beloved.



The Apostle Paul, Andrei Rublev (1410-20)

PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

Has it ever occurred to you that one hundred pianos all tuned to the same fork are automatically tuned to each other? They are of one accord by being tuned, not to each other, but to another standard to which each one must individually bow. So one hundred worshipers met together, each one looking away to Christ, are in heart nearer to each other than they could possibly be, were they to become 'unity' conscious and turn their eyes away from God to strive for closer fellowship.

– A.W. Tozer

We Gather to Praise God

PRELUDE

Give Me Jesus

arr. Richard Billingham (contemporary)

RINGING OF THE BELL AND WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;

ALL: With my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

- ONE: Blessed be the Lord forever.
- ALL: Amen and Amen.

* HYMN 620

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

DRAW NEAR TO GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE

O God who is love, in baptism we have been joined to Christ and given new identities in him.

The divisions of this world no longer matter, for we are one in Christ.

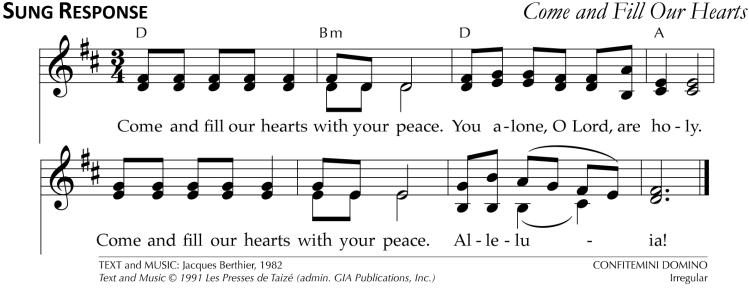
Yet we cling to those old divisions, and old identities define us.

We identify as liberal or conservative, Republican or Democrat,

Black or white ahead of our identity "in Christ."

God of grace, forgive the way we put faith at the edges of our lives. Pour out your Spirit on us until Jesus moves to the center. Let Christ live in us so that we might share his love with the world.

Silence for personal reflection



* Please stand in body or spirit

from Psalm 89

RECEIVE GOD'S LOVE, GRACE, AND PEACE

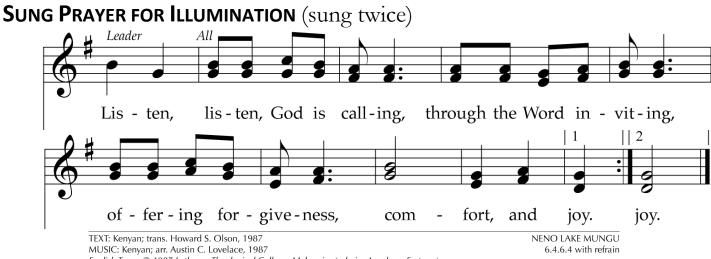
* SING GLORY TO GOD 0 7. Glo be to the Fa - ther, and the ry to 6 Son, and to the Ho -Ghost; as it was in the be ly gin - ning, is now, and shall be, ev er -00 0 world with - out end. А men, а men.

* PASSING THE PEACE

ONE: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

We Listen for God's Word



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FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

WORD IN MUSIC

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Initially a poem for a school assembly at which Booker T. Washington spoke on Lincoln's birthday in 1900, this text and tune have gained national recognition and devotion, not only within the African American community, but also among all who seek liberation from oppression. The Chancel Choir sings this song today to commemorate Juneteenth.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Galatians 3:23-29

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ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

IDENTITY CRISIS

James Sledge

The Apostles' Creed

In Christ There Is No East or West

We Respond to God's Word

* HYMN 317

* **Response of Faith**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15a

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ONE: Lord in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder currently serving on Session (governing council) or other members of the congregation.

Prayer Concerns

Tim Stufft, recovering from a virus Brenda Buchly, after a recent hospitalization Alison Miller and family on the death of Sabra Staley on May 30 The friends and family of Bill Wagner who died May 23 Neill Ferill, brother of Allison Stiller, following surgery for a brain tumor

Continued Prayers

Kris Barth, Sarah Barth, Ally Campbell, Allan Capon, Steve Graff, Mike Hugo, Elina Kent, Nora Long, Ruth Mileham, Bob Moore, Sharane Patek, Cort Peret, Ken Waugh, Christa Young

Prayer requests can be sent to Pastor James at prayers@fallschurchpresby.org

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

* DOXOLOGY Praise to God the Fa ther; praise to God the Son; -Spir praise to the Three - in - One. praise to God the it: praise, sing praise high. Sing to the Lord on θ God Al - might -Praise to praise to the Ho - ly One. v; DA N'ASE TEXT: Anon. MUSIC: Ghanaian melody; arr. Alfred V. Fedak, 2011 Irregular Music Arr. © 2011 Alfred V. Fedak

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

* HYMN 754

Help Us Accept Each Other

* OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

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Supporting us in Worship

Ushers Music Audio/Video Sanctuary Flowers Edward Newburn, Marnie Sarver Chancel Choir Diane Maloney The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Molly Good's dad, Dave Hansen, who is missed tremendously but continues to guide his family. Happy Father's Day to all fathers everywhere!

A Warm Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. Please sign the red friendship pad which can be found at the end of the pew, then pass the pad along to your neighbor. If you would like to learn more about our family of faith, please visit www.fallschurchpresby.org.

Masks in Worship

Masks are strongly recommended but no longer required in worship. Please consider those who are immune compromised or unable to be vaccinated and continue to mask up.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. Child care is available for **children up to age 4 in** Room 201. Parents may drop off and pick up children throughout this time. Godly Play for older children is on hiatus for the summer.

Congregational Meeting today, June 18

Session has called a meeting immediately following worship for the purpose of electing one additional elder and one additional deacon. Jon Wiant is the candidate for elder and Julie Stufft is the candidate for deacon. The meeting will be held in person and on Zoom. Zoom Meeting ID: 89620858634. Please note: For your vote to be counted, each person will need to log on to Zoom on their own device. If two people attend the meeting on the same device, the voting poll only allows for one vote to be counted. Click here for some helpful tips on how to effectively participate and vote in a Zoom meeting of the congregation.

Coffee and Cookies in the Parlor

Please join us for light refreshments in the parlor immediately following today's congregational meeting. Hosted by Kathy Chavez and Community Building Ministry.

Falls Church Presbyterian belongs to the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, "working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons, seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others seeking a still more just and inclusive church."

The Rev. James Sledge, Pastor The Rev. Megan Klose, Associate Pastor Diane Maloney, Director of Spiritual Growth and Community Engagement David Schoonover, Acting Director of Music Dr. Lisa Bloy, Organist

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