



August 16, 2026  
12th Sunday after Pentecost  
10:00 a.m.

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

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## ***We Gather to Praise God***

### **PRELUDE**

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

arr. Robert A. Hobby (contemporary)

### **RINGING OF THE BELL**

### **WELCOME**

Megan Klose

### **\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

ONE: All who are thirsty, come to the living waters of God.

**ALL: All who are hungry, gather around the bread of life.**

ONE: Come and quench your thirst and eat your fill.

**ALL: We have come to be nourished by God's provisions.**

ONE: Let your heart be satisfied.

**ALL: We have come to worship our God who provides for all our needs.**

### **\* GATHERING HYMN 10**

*Sing Glory to the Name of God*

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Nancy Gehron

ONE: Trusting in God's mercy, let us acknowledge to ourselves and each other those ways we fall short from what God intends for us.

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**ALL: God of enough, we confess to you that we often believe and act out of a scarcity mindset. Forgive our fragile and fearful mindsets, and replace them with attitudes of trust and abundance. Forgive us for not participating in enabling your whole creation to thrive through our fearless faith. Grant us the courage to live into your promise of abundant grace.**

*Personal Prayer in Silence*

*\* Please rise in body or spirit*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Yena Hwang

ONE: Come! Fear not! You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized to live an abundant life of freedom.

ALL: We belong to God through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit who transforms us. Alleluia! Amen!

## \* SING GLORY TO GOD 583

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979

Music © 1979, 1981 Les Presses de Taizé (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

GLORIA (Taizé)

## \* PASSING THE PEACE

Yena Hwang

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

ALL: And also with you.

## *We Listen for God's Word*

## SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION 456

*Listen, God is Calling*

Leader All

Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,

of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

TEXT: Kenyan; trans. Howard S. Olson, 1987

MUSIC: Kenyan; arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1987

English Trans. © 1987 Lutheran Theological College, Makumira (admin. Augsburg Fortress)

Music Arr. © 1987 Austin C. Lovelace (admin. Augsburg Fortress)

NENO LAKE MUNGU  
6.4.6.4 with refrain

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 55:1-5

Nancy Gehron

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

## SENSES OF SCRIPTURE

Cali Bronkema

*Children are invited to continue their worship at Sunday Storytime in the library.*

***We Respond to God's Word***

**BAPTISM OF ZANE TAYLOR**

Yena Hwang, Megan Klose

**\* PROFESSION OF FAITH** (The Apostles' Creed)

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.

**\* BAPTISM HYMN 482**

*Baptized in Water*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Nancy Gehron

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 who is currently serving or has previously served on Session. Prayer requests can be sent to Pastors Yena and Megan at [prayers@fallschurchnpresby.org](mailto:prayers@fallschurchnpresby.org).*

*Please keep in your prayers:*

John Loyd and family on the death of John's brother, Chuck, on July 27

*Ongoing prayer concerns:*

*FCPC members:* Avery Burns, Winnie Harris-Zoellner, Ruth Mileham, Ken Waugh. *Relatives and friends:* Carolyn Armstrong, Scott Armstrong's mother; Lisa Bales, Pete Kelly's sister

**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.

**MINUTE FOR MINISTRY**

Rise Against Hunger

Sue Armstrong

# OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

Cali Bronkema

## OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*Please support the mission and ministry of the church with your financial contributions. Offerings can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church office, given online through our secure giving portal ([fcpc.breezechms.com/give/online](http://fcpc.breezechms.com/give/online)), texted to give at 7037751355, or scanned using the QR code.*



## OFFERTORY

*Crucifixus*

Jean-Baptiste Faure (1830-1914)

Christine Connor, soprano

*Come unto Him, all ye who weep; for He too weepeth.  
Come unto Him, all ye who mourn; for He can heal.  
Come unto Him, all ye who fear, come unto Him, in woe and weal.  
Come unto Him, in your last sleep; He never sleepeth.*

## \* DOXOLOGY 608

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all  
peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -  
more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988  
MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson, 2008  
Text © 1990 Neil Weatherhogg  
Music © 2008 Hal H. Hopson

PRAISE GOD (Hopson)  
LM

## \* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Cali Bronkema

***We Are Sent into the World***

## \* SENDING HYMN 80

*You Shall Go Out with Joy*

## \* CHARGE AND BLESSING

Yena Hwang

## POSTLUDE

*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

arr. Craig Courtney (b. 1954)

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## ***Supporting Us in Worship***

|                   |                                                                                                                                       |
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| Worship Leader    | Nancy Gehron                                                                                                                          |
| Ushers            | Judy Boose, Drew Luten                                                                                                                |
| Audio/Video       | Mark Armstrong                                                                                                                        |
| Sexton            | Nancy Gehron                                                                                                                          |
| Sanctuary Flowers | The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Carolyn Bruce and family in memory of her father Bob Appleby's August 14 birthday. |

## ***A Warm Welcome***

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. Please sign the red welcome pad which can be found at the end of the pew, then pass the pad along to your neighbor. There are nametag boards outside of the sanctuary side entrance. Please make a nametag and wear it as a sign of hospitality.

Large-print bulletins are available at the sanctuary entrances. Portable electronic hearing devices are available in the narthex or from an usher.

A recording of today's service can be found at [www.fallschurchpresby.org/sermon](http://www.fallschurchpresby.org/sermon).

If you would like to learn more about our family of faith, talk to one of the pastors or email Pastor Yena ([yhwang@fallschurchpresby.org](mailto:yhwang@fallschurchpresby.org)) or Pastor Megan ([mklose@fallschurchpresby.org](mailto:mklose@fallschurchpresby.org)). Please visit our website for more information.

## ***Children in Worship***

Children are always welcome in our services. The Kids' Corner at the front right side of the Sanctuary is where children and their grownups can play, read, or color quietly while in worship. The Cozy Corner along the right wall of the sanctuary has sensory toys and headphones. Children up to age 4: Child care is offered in Room 201 by paid nursery staff. Children of all ages: Sunday Storytime is offered in the library following Senses of Scripture.

## ***Fellowship Hour***

Join us in Fellowship Hall following worship to greet your neighbors and enjoy some light refreshments. Hosted by the Community Building Ministry Team.

## ***Announcements***

**New Members Class**, led by Pastor Yena, will take place in the parlor following worship today. If you are new to the community, considering becoming a part of the Falls Church Presbyterian faith community, or would simply like to explore what it means to follow Jesus in the Presbyterian tradition, please join us!

**School Supplies Drive ends today.** In addition to supporting Knox Food Pantry, we have collected school supplies for local elementary and middle schools. Donations will be delivered to Knox Presbyterian today. Thank you for your generosity!

**Blessing of the Backpacks, Aug. 23.** Anyone who would like their backpack or briefcase blessed for the new school year is invited to bring it to worship next Sunday for a special Blessing of the Backpacks during worship!

**Merry Huley Memorial Plaque Dedication, Aug. 23.** Following worship next Sunday, we will gather along the Fairfax Street garden bed to dedicate a memorial plaque for longtime member Merry Huley, who died on May 13, 2020. Merry loved making the church more beautiful and welcoming, and freely shared her gifts of creativity, hospitality, gardening, and more.

**Cali and Erika Celebration, Saturday, Aug. 29.** All are invited to celebrate the upcoming marriage of Cali Bronkema and Erika Allen on Aug. 29 from 2-3:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Family-friendly games and cake and ice cream will be provided! In lieu of gifts, Cali and Erika ask that friends and family share their favorite dinner recipes. If you would like to share a recipe, there will be a recipe box in Fellowship Hall over the next few weeks. Take a recipe card from the box, jot down your favorite recipe, and bring it back with you on the day of the celebration!

**Worship through Service Sunday: Rise Against Hunger, Aug. 30, 10 a.m.** We'll have a short service in Fellowship Hall, followed by packing nutritious meals for Rise Against Hunger to send to one of the neediest places on the planet.

**Diane Maloney Ordination and Installation, Aug. 30.** FCPC's former Director of Spiritual Growth and Community Engagement, Diane Maloney, will be ordained and installed at Burke Presbyterian Church on Aug. 30 at 3 p.m. FCPC is Diane's sponsoring church, and all are welcome to her ordination and installation. In honor of this achievement, FCPC is presenting Diane with an Advent stole. All are invited to contribute to the cost of the stole and make any additional financial gifts. Checks should be written to FCPC with Diane Maloney in the memo line or indicated on FCPC's Online Giving Page. Deadline to contribute is Aug. 23. Questions? Contact Anne Mugler ([annermugler@gmail.com](mailto:annermugler@gmail.com)).

**Protein Challenge for Knox Food Pantry:** To date, 103 bags of protein-rich dried and canned beans, jars of peanut butter, and canned tuna and chicken have been delivered to Knox Pantry. Thank you! Your generosity helps ensure that children, seniors, and families in our community have access to nutritious food throughout the summer. As we wrap up the Summer Protein Challenge, please keep those donations coming. **Requested items for weeks of Aug. 16 & 23: shelf-stable milk, and week of Aug. 30: peanut butter.**

## ***Calendar***

### **Sunday, August 16 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost**

Knox Food Pantry Protein Challenge, drop off donations in main hallway

School Supplies Drive (final day), drop off donations in main hallway

Serendipity Class, 9 a.m., Conference Room

Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary and online

Fellowship Hour, 11 a.m., Fellowship Hall. *Antiracism training participants will gather during coffee hour every third Sunday.*

New Members Class, 11:30 a.m., Parlor

### **Monday, August 17**

Prayer & Pose Yoga – *Canceled this week*

### **Tuesday, August 18**

Spiritual Growth Ministry Team, 7 p.m., Third Floor

### **Wednesday, August 19**

Third Wednesday Welcome Table, food prep & serving, setup & cleanup,  
11 a.m.-7:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

Personnel Team, 7 p.m., Zoom

### **Thursday, August 20 – *No scheduled events***

### **Friday, August 21 – *No scheduled events***

### **Saturday, August 22**

Bible Study & Fellowship Group, 8 a.m., Parlor

### **Sunday, August 23 – 13th Sunday after Pentecost**

Knox Food Pantry Protein Challenge, drop off donations in main hallway

Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday

Serendipity Class, 9 a.m., Conference Room

Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary and online

Merry Huley Memorial Plaque Dedication, 11:00 a.m., Fairfax Street Garden Bed

Worship Ministry Team, 11:30 a.m., Conference Room

*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.”*

*Falls Church Presbyterian is also a Matthew 25 church seeking to build congregational vitality, dismantle structural racism, and eradicate systemic poverty.*

The Rev. Yena Hwang, Pastor  
The Rev. Megan Klose, Associate Pastor  
Cali Bronkema, Director of Children & Youth Ministry  
Dr. Don Armstrong, Director of Music  
Dr. Lisa Bloy, Organist

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