

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

**Assisting** with 11:00am worship leadership is Tom Goodale.

The **flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Martha Hill South, by John South on this day, the 57<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their wedding.

Today at the 11:00am service Sabrina Coffey will be ordained and installed as a Ruling Elder in the Class of 2022.

This evening at 5:00 you are invited to attend our monthly Service of Prayer for Wholeness and Healing. This 45 minute service is held in our sanctuary each first Sunday evening of the month and is led by your pastor. Everyone is welcome...spread the word.

Rather than receiving our monthly 4¢-A-MEAL offering this morning, we will be receiving our annual Souper Bowl of Caring offering during the Time With the Children.

**\*\*NO CASH? THAT'S OKAY!** Text "LexPresVA SouperBowl \${amount you'd like to give}" to 73256 to give to Souper Bowl of Caring using your text messaging. Standard text message rates do apply.

**Example:** if I wanted to give \$25 to Souper Bowl of Caring, my text message to **73256** would be: "**LexPresVA SouperBowl \$25**"

**COMMUNITY TABLE VOLUNTEERS:** "Life's most persistent and urgent question is what are you doing for others?" Martin Luther King Jr. Volunteering for The Community Table is one way to help. On Monday, February 10th you can set the table, serve the guests or clean up after. The sign-up sheet is in Murray Hall or email Liz Gordon at [saddleup4travel@comcast.net](mailto:saddleup4travel@comcast.net).

**SOUP!** The large freezer in Brady Kitchenette is stocked full of fresh soup and bread for the taking for our caring friends and loved ones! (See the *February Newsletter* for the recipe used to make the Vegetable Beef Soup).

**THANTASTIC THURSDAY, February 6:** Have you traveled with Road Scholars? Come hear stories and see pictures from Yellowstone to Paris and the Normandy beaches as told by Jack and Margie Page. Have you ever seen what happens when a bull elk meets a school bus? Do you know whether a geyser hits you with a hot or cold shower? How crowded is the Paris subway on Sunday morning? Have you heard what FDR said about Churchill in private conversations? These and other questions will be investigated at the Thantastic Thursday program after dinner. Don't miss it! Dinner Menu: Italian Night.

A draft copy of the **2020 Directory** is in room 111 for review. Please mark in red any necessary corrections. Please have all corrections made by the end of day Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>.

2019 annual giving statements will be mailed this week.

The nursery is available from 8:30 a.m. (for Early Worship attendees) until 12:15, after the final worship service.

### Current Session Members

Moderator: William M. Klein

Clerk: Mary P. Atthowe

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Steven E. Crowder  
Helen C. Fure  
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Elizabeth J. Shupe  
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Jonathan B. Tarris

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James P. Inman  
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Jessica L. Willett

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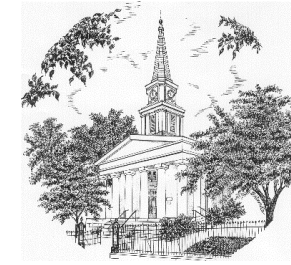
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Members of Boy Scout Troop 5 will be joining us at the 11 am service on February 9 for Scout Sunday, recognizing the founding of the Boy Scouts of America on February 8, 1910. Members of the troop will serve as ushers and provide a Life-of-the-Church that Sunday. The troop currently has about 30 members, and meets Mondays at 7:00 in Dunlap Auditorium. Troop 5 has been sponsored by Lexington Presbyterian Church since 1935!



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**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

**2 February 2020**

**11:00 AM**

### GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

*Grazioso* (from Concerto, R297: Winter) Antonio Vivaldi

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 15 (Stephen Mitchell)

Lord, who can be trusted with power, and who may act in your place?

***Those with a passion for justice, who speak the truth from their hearts;***

Those who have let go of selfish interests and grown beyond their own lives.

***Those who see the wretched as their family and the poor as their flesh and blood.***

They alone are impartial and are worthy of the people's trust.

***Their compassion lights up the whole earth, and their kindness endures forever.***

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*Beati in domo Domini*

(Jacques Berthier)

WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

✦ HYMN 769

*For Everyone Born*

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

A TIME OF CONFESSION

Prayer of Confession (unison)

***Surprising God, you have made foolish the wisdom of this world, teaching that the meek shall inherit the earth and that heaven belongs to those who suffer for the sake of justice. But we cling to the values of this world...to things that enhance our status but cheat our souls. We seek comfort in simple answers and easy outs. We disregard the marginalized and mock weakness, forgetting that Christ lifted up the lowly and made a home among the vulnerable. God of blessing, reorient our hearts, and renew our minds, so we may act with justice, practice kindness, and, in all things, walk humbly with you.***

Silent Confession  
 Assurance of Pardon  
 Congregational Response (responsive)  
 We are washed in the waters of God's grace.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Peace (responsive)  
 The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

Anthem *Impressions on a Welsh Hymn Tune* Douglas Wagner

✦ Doxology (sung)

**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.**

✦ Prayer of Dedication

HEARING THE WORD

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Hymn 418 (sung seated) *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*  
 Children's Time Souper Bowl of Caring Offering

GOSPEL READING Matthew 5:1-12 NT (p. 4)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Micah 6:1-8 OT (p. 816)

SERMON *Improving One's Aim* William M. Klein

A TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION [A time to reflect upon the implications of scripture and sermon for your life.]

✦ HYMN 346 (tune: *Lauda Anima*) *For the Healing of the Nations*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH [An expression of our common hope and purpose.]

Affirmation in Words (unison)

from *A Declaration of Faith* (PCUSA)

**God has reached out to those who suffer injustice and taken up the cause of the excluded and the poor. The Lord is moving toward the time when justice will roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. We are persuaded God is at work here and now when people deal fairly with each other and labor to change customs and structures that enslave and oppress human beings. We believe God sends us to work with all available allies: to correct the growing disparity between rich and poor nations; to make the operation of courts and penal institutions more just and humane; to root out prejudice and racism from our hearts and**

**institutions; to stand with men and women of all ages, races, and classes as they struggle for dignity and respect and the chance to exercise power for the common good. We must not countenance within the church and its institutions the inequities we seek to correct in the world. We must be willing to make such amends as we can for centuries of injustice which the church condoned.** [Ch. 8, (3), lines 50-74]

Affirmation in Song (sung through twice) *Gloria, Gloria*  
**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!**  
**Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

**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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

✦ HYMN 372 *O for a World*

✦ BLESSING IN WORD [A departing blessing]

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE, HYMN 70  
*What Does the Lord Require of You*

✦ BLESSING IN MUSIC [During the playing of the music you are encouraged to greet one another, sharing the peace of Christ, or to remain seated and allow the music to aid you in fashioning some final prayers.]

*Praeludium in D Minor* Vincent Lübeck

**All are invited and encouraged to attend Coffee Fellowship in Brady Chapel.**

✦ Those who are able may stand.

CHURCH CALENDAR: February 2 - 9

SUNDAY (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	12:30	Souper Bowl of Caring Offering
	1:00	Youth Lunch
	5:00	Youth Service Project at RARA
		Wholeness & Healing
TUESDAY (4 <sup>th</sup> )	10:00	Lectio Divina
	3:45	Confirmation Class
	7:00	Session Prayer
	7:30	Session
WEDNESDAY	4:00	Youth Chat at Sweet Treats
	11:30	Church Staff Meeting
THURSDAY	5:45	Thantastic Thursday
	7:30	Adult Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY (7 <sup>th</sup> )	5:00	Parent Time Out
SUNDAY (9 <sup>th</sup> )		Scout Sunday
	5:30	Youth Group
	6:30	Lam Handbell Choir Rehearsal

**Music Notes:** Handbell Music (Lam Handbell Choir): The prelude, by the American handbell musician, Martha Lynn Thompson (b. 1940 - long active in Arkansas) is an arrangement by Martha Lynn Thompson (of a well-known work by the Venetian master musician, Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741), the slow movement from the 'Winter' section from his group of violin concerto movements known as "The Four Seasons." The anthem is an arrangement by the respected composer/arranger, Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952) of a the well-known Welsh hymn-tune "Ash Grove," which we sing most often to the words "Let All Things Now Living."

Choir Music: The introit is taken from a song composed by the French musician, Jacques Berthier (1923-1994) for the Taizé Community in France. Over a choral refrain ("Blessed are they who dwell in God's house.) are laid solo verse from the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12).

Congregational Hymns: "For Everyone Born"(1998), is one of the most celebrated of the many extraordinary hymn texts by the respected poet and writer from New Zealand, Shirley Erena Murray (b. 1931). The tune ("For Everyone Born") was composed for this text in 2006 by Brian Mann (b. 1979). At the children's time we sing the familiar classic, "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling," which was written in 1880 by the American lyricist, composer, and businessman, Will L. Thompson (1847-1909). "For the Healing of the Nations" (1967) is one of the many great texts by Fred Kaan (1929-2009), Dutch-born Reformed Church minister in Great Britain, and one of the most respected hymn writers of his time. We sing his words to the tune "Lauda Anima" (1869) by the distinguished 19th-century English musician, John Goss (1800-1880), longtime organist of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, and professor at the Royal Academy of Music. The choir's descant is by Lois Fyfe. "O for a World" is a well-known text (1987) by Sister Miriam Therese Winter, respected professor of liturgy, worship, and spirituality at Hartford (CT) Seminary. The tune ("Azmon" - 1828), by the German musician, Carl G. Gläser (1784-1829), was one of many European hymn melodies introduced into the U.S. by the American scholar/musician, Lowell Mason (1792-1872). The choir's descant is by the Charles H. Webb (b. 1933). The closing congregational response, "What Does the Lord Require of You" is a well-known paraphrase setting of Micah 6:8 by the Christian song-writer Jim Strathdee (b. 1941).

Organ Music: The postlude is taken from an extended work by the brilliant German organist/composer, Vincent Lübeck (1654-1740), the leading musician of his time in the city of Hamburg.

THANTASTIC THURSDAYS	
<b>Feb 6</b> Menu: Italian Night Program: Road Scholars – Jack & Margie Page	<b>Feb 13</b> Menu: Meatloaf Program: Music Night with The Baker and Squire Families
Dinner at 5:45; Program at 6:30; RSVP the Tuesday before the event	
SUNDAY BRUNCH – FEBRUARY 16	
Menu: Brunch After the 11:00am worship – all are welcome, no RSVP needed	
ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 26	
Menu: Soup, salad, fruit Dinner at 5:45pm, Service at 6:30pm; RSVP by Monday Feb 24	
Cost is \$8 per person or \$20 per family	