

Our Service Through Worship

August 15, 2021

Pastor, Dr. J. Michael Wilkins
Worship Leader, Mrs. Lucy Wilkins
Organist, Mrs. Alysyan Raymond

At the prelude, let us prepare our hearts and minds to worship the Lord.

Prelude *Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus*

Welcome

Life of the Church

Blessing of the Backpacks

Video “Raise Them Up”

Call to Worship *Shine On Us*

Adult Choir

Hymn of Praise # 47 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Morning Prayer

Special Music *Amazing Grace*

Brian Kave

Scripture Luke 15:11 - 24

Sermon “What’s So Amazing About Grace?”

Hymn of Commitment # 104 *Amazing Grace*

Benediction

Doxology # 668 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Postlude *You Are My All In All*

As a courtesy to other worshippers please remember to silence your cell phones.

If you would like to make a gift in support of the ministries of this church, please place it in one of the offering plates located around the sanctuary.

Blessing of Backpacks

Today we celebrate the beginning of a new school year! Students of all ages and education staff are invited to bring their backpacks, briefcases or tote bags to the **11:00 am worship service** for a special prayer of blessing, guidance, wisdom & protection.

Deacon’s Meeting

The Deacons will meet **today**.

Bible Readings

The Bible Readings for the week of **August 16 - 20**: Monday: Acts 21: 10-15, Tuesday: Acts 21:16-26, Wednesday: Acts 21:27-36, Thursday: Acts 21:37-22:11, Friday: Acts 22:12-21.

Retirement Luncheon

Please join us immediately following Pastor Mike's last sermon on **Sunday, September 5 at 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall** for a catered Retirement Luncheon in honor of Mike & Lucy Wilkins. **Please RSVP with the church office (463-4181) by Sunday, August 29 if you are able to attend.**

Music Ministry

Now is the time to join the choir! Rehearsals are **Wednesdays from 6:15 – 7:15 pm in room # 120** just down the hall from the church office. If you enjoy singing and praising the Lord as well as weekly fellowship with a great group of people, give us a try! Please contact Lucy Wilkins (wilkins.lucy@gmail.com) for more information.

The **Praise Band** will continue to meet this Fall. If you have talents as an instrumentalist or singer, please contact John Wranek (jwranek@marshallfoundation.org) if you would like to join the group.

Youth Group Outreach (6th - 12th grade)

Join us **Sunday, August 22 at 9:30 am** for a random act of kindness event! We will be placing detergent, dryer sheets and baggies of quarters in our community laundromats with a simple note then enjoy breakfast, fellowship and discussion about the outreach.

Come out on **Sunday, August 29 at 9:15 am** to help serve the VMI RATs breakfast. You can enjoy the meal and fellowship before clean up. Please contact Molly Kay Moore (461-6074) for more information.

Community Festival Volunteers

Saturday, August 28 from 9 am till 1 pm, Manly Memorial will provide a "rest station" on the front lawn with a few canopies and chairs during the Community Festival. We will have brochures with information about MMBC, coolers of free water, freeze pops and whirly gigs for children and a doggie water and snack station. We need **2 volunteers to set everything up** that morning at **9 am**, **2 volunteers every hour** to sit out front to welcome people and offer free items and then **2 volunteers to tear everything down at 1 pm**. **If you are willing to help with this ministry please contact the church office (463-4181).**

RAT Sunday

August 29 is RAT Sunday! If you are willing to lend your cell phone for the RATs to use to call their families, please bring it to the Fellowship Hall when you come for Morning Bible Study. They will be returned before the worship service.

Student Adoption

Each year college students from VMI attend our church and seek people who will provide a home away from home for them. You and your students decide together the level of support you wish to offer. It may be as little as a meal in your home or restaurant every once in a while, to as much as making them a part of your family visiting your home each Sunday. **Please contact the church office (463-4181) if you would be willing to help with this wonderful ministry!**

Volunteer Drivers Needed

We need volunteers to pick up RATs on **Sunday mornings at 9:30 am** in front of JM Hall. If we have enough volunteers, you would only be asked to pick up once every 4-6 weeks. **Please contact the church office if you are willing to volunteer!**

2022 Budget Requests

Remember that requests for the 2022 church budget need to be submitted in writing and with an explanation of how the money would be used, **by Sunday, September 5**. Requests may be submitted to the church office or the Stewardship Committee Chair, John Wranek.

Church Deacons

Begin praying as to whom God would have serve him at Manly Memorial as a Deacon beginning in 2022. Those currently serving are ineligible for nomination. Deacon nomination ballots will be out on the tables in September.

Rockbridge Area Relief Association

Item of the month for August is **school supplies**. Please leave your donations in the box outside of the choir room. Thank you!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Requests stay on the list a month, unless the church office is asked to keep them on longer.

August 15: Chelsey Ingram, Anita McDaniel, Freddie and Sue Seaman, Diane Pirinian, Deborah & Christopher Moore, Eric Catlett, Cash Gorlowski Family, Monica Staton Family, Priscilla Jamison's grandson Joe Jamison (is participating in a 6 week pilgrimage to Santiago), Derek Garrett

August 8: Joe Wilkins (Pastor Mike's brother), Joann Harper (Carole Judy's sister), David & Diane Smith (friends of the Galloways) Jeff Diplock (friend of the Heckman's), Henry Schreiber, Betty Swisher, Brandy Hostetter, Sandy & Mitch Mitchell, Betty Hostetter

August 1: Sharon Wohlford (Jerri Keen's sister), Judy Davis, Carol Bozeman, Teresa Ewing (Curtis Caylor's sister), Kristen Coleman, Ellis Hundley (Jerri Keen's Brother), Julia Wallace (Daughter of Skip Wallace, the Virginia Baptist Field Strategist), Peter Shaner (Grandson of Pete and Betty Shaner, Laurie Kosonovich (Jill and Wayne Straub's daughter)

Remember Our Shut-Ins...

At Home: Bonnie Slater

Baldwin Park: Harry Carter

English Meadows: Dr. Charles E. O'Roark

Heritage Hall: Maxine Smiley

Kendal: Doris Womeldorf

The Palmettos: Joan Huff

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