

WEEKLY CALENDAR

<p>SUNDAY, APRIL 8 Communion Sunday 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service 11:30 AM Fellowship 3:30 PM AA Women's Speaker 4:00 PM Handbells 5:00 PM Small Group 6:00 PM Youth Fellowship 6:15 PM Bible Study</p>	<p>THURSDAY, APRIL 12 7:00 PM AA Beginners Meeting 7:30 PM Girl Scout SU 54-14 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM AA #164</p>
<p>MONDAY, APRIL 9 5:00 PM World Mission Ensemble 7:00 PM AA Women Meeting 7:00 PM Boy Scouts</p>	<p>FRIDAY, APRIL 13 Art Auction Set Up 6:30 PM AA Meeting</p>
<p>TUESDAY, APRIL 10 9:30 AM Exercise Class 10:30 AM Encore Choir</p>	<p>SATURDAY, APRIL 14 8:00 AM Art Auction Set Up 10:00 AM AA Meeting 5:30 PM Art Auction</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM AA Meeting 7:30 PM Al Anon Meeting 7:30 PM Trustees Meeting</p>	<p>SUNDAY, APRIL 15 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service 11:30 AM Fellowship 11:30 AM College and Young Adult Fellowship 3:30 PM AA Women's Speaker 4:00 PM Handbells 6:00 PM Youth Fellowship 6:15 PM Bible Study</p>
<p>CURRENT OFFICE HOURS MON – FRI 9AM – 1PM</p>	



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Our Preschool is participating in the “Pinwheels for Prevention” of child abuse program with SafeSpot, a safe, child-friendly center that provides direct services to child victims of sexual and physical abuse in Fairfax County. Throughout the month of April our “pinwheel garden” will serve as a whimsical symbol of the happy and safe childhood that each child deserves and as a means for raising awareness about the problem of child abuse in our community. The pinwheels were provided by SafeSpot, their website is www.safespotfairfax.org.

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EASTERTIDE 2018

Gathering Music *Variation on "Llanfair"* **Balcombe**

Welcome

Prayer

† **Hymn** *Morning Has Broken* **UMH 145**

† **Passing the Peace**

After the resurrection, Jesus greeted his disciples with these words: "Peace be with you." As disciples of Jesus, let us greet one another with the same words: "Peace be with you."

Word and Response

John 19:19-29

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!'

Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

The Word of God, for the people of God

Thanks be to God!



No Children's Message (Children will return for Communion)

Message "Doubting Our Doubts" Pastor Steven Wells

Joys, Concerns and Pastoral Prayer

Offertory *Abba Father* Chancel Choir
Courtney

† Adoration and Praise

Praise the Creator for each day,

Thanks for our Guide who leads the way: Preparation. Meditation.

Bathe in discovery, Spirit led, and live anew in days ahead.

In remembrance. Crucifixion, Easter promise! Resurrection! Alleluia!

~ Peter Norum

Offertory Prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 15

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Ministry Opportunities

† Hymn *Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* UMH 462

† Benediction

† Postlude *Variation on "Alleluia"* Theophane

† Please stand if you are able

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal FWS – Faith We Sing Songbook
WS – Worship and Song

SERVING THIS WEEK

	SERVING 4/08/18	SERVING 4/15/18
LAY READER	C.P. Watkins	Karen Wells
USHERS	Kathy & Karl Cagle	Doug Wright & Jeff Root
COUNTERS	Kathy Cagle & Phyllis Miller	Mary Sue France & Debi Salman
GREETERS		

The Coordinators for our Weekly Volunteers are:

Lay Readers - Alle Schilstra Ushers - Dave Ford
Greeters - Laura Cosner Offering Counters - Kathy Cagle

See one of these volunteer coordinators if you are willing to serve.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR BISHOP'S WEEKLY BIBLE READING CHALLENGE

Here are the Verses for this Week:

April 8	1 Samuel 1-3	April 12	1 Samuel 15-17
April 9	1 Samuel 4-8	April 13	1 Samuel 18-20, Psalm 11, Psalm 59
April 10	1 Samuel 9-12	April 14	1 Samuel 21-24
April 11	1 Samuel 13-14		

ART AUCTION

On Saturday, April 14, St. George's will be turned into an Art Gallery where you will be able to preview and bid on all styles and prices of original art. The art can be previewed from 5:30 p.m. followed by the auction at 6:30 p.m.

Major Credit cards will be accepted for payment.

There will be an added twist to the auction this year. Arrangements have been made for original collaborative art from children in our local Scout Troops and pieces from St. George's Preschool.

Tickets are \$10 which include a drawing for a door prize, light snacks and beverages and registration for the bidding. To purchase tickets contact Shelia Coffin at 703-385-3264. Tickets will be available at the door.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Our United Methodist Women are making plans for their annual UMW Worship Service that they will lead on Sunday, April 29 at 10:30 a.m. We invite you to make every effort to be present and support our women as they inspire us in worship.

UNITED METHODIST MEN'S PIG PULL & YOUTH CAR WASH

complete with Pork BBQ, Grilled Chicken, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Hush Puppies and The United Methodist Men will hold their Annual Pig Pull on Saturday, May 5 Beverages. We are calling all men in the church to volunteer for this Spring fundraiser. Please contact Keith Saddler if you are willing to volunteer. In addition the youth will offer their annual car wash to raise funds for their mission program.

RECREATION 2018

We are currently seeking youth and adults to attend this year's ReCreation scheduled for June 24 - 30 in Weaverville, NC. Applications can be secured from Pastor Steve or Martha Platenkamp and must be completed and turned in no later than Sunday, April 15. The cost is \$335 per person.

2018 VIRGINIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

This year's Annual Conference will convene June 15-17, at the Hampton Roads Convention Center. The theme this year is based on 1 Peter 4:10 "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others as faithful stewards of God's grace and in various forms." An exciting new mission component has been added this year. Following the Mission Service on Saturday, June 16 Bishop Lewis is asking all clergy and lay members to participate in a Great Day of Service from 2 to 5 p.m..

This will be broken into three sections: (1) UMCOR (United Committee on Relief) hygiene kit building; (2) Ministry in Hampton Roads which will involve clean-up and debris removal from historical cemeteries, children's parks and Alleyways and assisting several departments within the City of Hampton by handing out packets of resources to residents; (3) Social justice presentations on three separate issues. To accommodate this Great Day of Service, Annual Conference will convene early on Friday morning.

Mike Jones, Bailey Jones and Pastor Steve are delegates to this year's Conference. Denise Jones will also be in attendance. Please pray for this year's gathering of Virginia United Methodist Clergy and Laity.

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

OUR MEMBERS

Norma Goodman Marty Hixenbaugh Donna Hayes
Buck Gibson Sally Adkins

HOME BOUND MEMBERS

Alice & Joe Howe

SERVING ABROAD

Frank Ford - Puerto Rico

SERVING AT HOME

John Becking David Hopkins Grant Robinson Katherine S. Schmidt
Chris Plante Aaron Stephens

FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN NEED OF PRAYERS

The Heyer Family, friends of Pat & John Nash

Jeen Saadallah and the Saadallah Family, by Dick Joyce

Joey and sister-in-law Debi, by Sherry Ford

Jane Kramer, mother of Carrie Watkins

Judas Murphy, relative of the Ford Family

Madison Reese, relative of the Ford Family

Nathan Cagle, brother of Karl Cagle

Emma Kania, mother of Mike Kania

Family of Ray Henderson that died, close friend of Mike Kania

Kelly Heaton, friend of Frank & Kim Ford

Terry Lynch, by Dick Joyce

Reba Holmes, by Dick Joyce

Dona Coultice-Christian, by Dick Joyce

Paddy Pannel

David Long, father of Sarah Long

The Kane Family, by Cherie Eyre

The Family of Jim & Pat Coates, by Dotty Smith

Emogene and Paul Kites, by the Mary Martha Circle

Sherry Bennett and Family, by Chuck & Kathy Heberle

Craig K. and family, by Dotty Smith

Justin Cherry, nephew of the Cherry Family

Lindsay Preas, neice of the Cherry Family

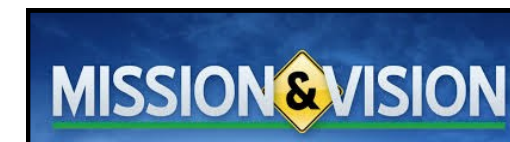
Family of Paul Fields, cousin of Sandra Woolfenden

The Lamb Center, FACETS, the homeless and the hungry among us; countries and peoples at war; those in places of natural disaster; and victims from violence & their families.

All the groups and organizations that utilize St. George's Church throughout the week.

Please submit your prayer requests by noon on Wednesday for bulletin inclusion. All prayer requests will be printed in the bulletin for four weeks.

Our primary Mission is to make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



*Our Vision Statement:
Living Faith
Welcoming All
Sharing Love in Christ*