

God has gathered us here out of all different circumstances. Whether you carry joy or heaviness in your heart, I encourage you to lay it at the feet of Jesus. Give your whole self to God in worship. Welcome. Here at Fairfield, we offer a contemporary service at 9:00; Sunday School for all ages at 10:00 and our traditional service at 11:00. Please ask Dr. Steve Starzer, Rev. Mike Watson or any of the ushers for information on various programs and ministries. You may also call the church office at (804) 730-7164 or e-mail us: office@fairfieldpcusa.org or visit our website: www.fairfieldpcusa.org

PRAYER CONCERNS

Margaret Barlow

Linda Canyock

Landon Cole

John Crowe

Elizabeth Davis

Donna Richbourg's daughter, Pettus

Darlene Shegogue's mother, Velma

Pam Wells

Bonnie Wright

All who serve our nation here and
abroad.

Please call the church office (804) 730-7164 or let a pastor know at the end of the service for someone to be on our prayer list. **Names will normally be listed in the bulletin for 3 weeks, unless we receive updates.**

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Barbara vanSteenburgh to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her husband Donald vanSteenburgh.

Infant/Toddler: Anne Young & Angela Blue

Next Week: Angela Blue & Barbara vanSteenburgh

Our liturgists this Sunday will be **Gene Rosen** (9:00am) and **Jackson Vignola** (11:00am). Thank you both for assisting us!

Adult All-Church Night Mental Health Conversation - Join us next Sunday, Oct. 6 at 4:30pm, for an enlightening presentation on the topic of adult mental health as we age, including a discussion on dementia signs and symptoms. This talk aims to equip participants with the knowledge and skills necessary to approach and assist individuals who may be experiencing challenges related to mental health and/or dementia. We will have time for Q&A following the information presented by Majken Whitaker, Behavioral Health Wellness Specialist with Hanover CSB and Dick Long from the Alzheimer's Association of VA.

We continue in our sermon series, “Do Not Fear.” It is said the phrase “do not fear,” occurs about 365 times in Scripture, enough to say it once every day of the year. In the midst of terrifying world events and a tumultuous season of our nation, we might need to hear these words, from God to us, more than ever. We will explore together how we can name our fears and move through it together, one step at a time. We are safe in God’s hands.

Inquirers’ Sunday School Class: Starting **October 13th**, Pastors Steve and Mike will be teaching a 4-week Sunday School class (in the Forum classroom) specifically for those who consider themselves “new” to Presbyterianism or specifically to Fairfield Presbyterian Church. In broad strokes, we will cover matters related to our theology, worship, and polity. This is a perfect class for those who have joined the church recently or who are considering membership. This is also a great chance to meet new friends and create new connections. Contact pastor Mike or the church office if you’d like to join.

1. Oct 13 - Who is God? (Theology) (book of confessions)
2. Oct 20 - Who are we? (History and Polity)
3. Oct 27 - Why are we who we are? (Scripture, worship/sacraments)
4. Nov 3 - What do we do? (Discipleship, Membership, and Service)

Away at College: If you have a college student (s) in your family for the 2024 - 2025 academic year, please help us keep in touch with him/her while they are away. Email the church office: office@fairfieldpcusa.org with your student’s name and complete address, email for the student, and whether they are a freshman, sophomore, junior/senior this year. We appreciate you taking the time to do this for the church.

MCEF Collection will be held next Sunday, October 5. MCEF is in need of Condiments, Dry Pasta (not spaghetti), Jelly & Jam, and Shampoo.

Invitation to Celebrate Mechanicsville Presbyterian Church - we are excited to pass along an invitation to celebrate 75 years of Mechanicsville Presbyterian Church on October 13 at 4:00pm (7339 Atlee Rd., Mechanicsville, VA 23111). For more information about the event and to RSVP, please visit the event website: <https://celebratingmpc.rsvpify.com>

THIS WEEK 'S CHURCH MEETINGS & EVENTS

Sept. 29	Contemporary Worship Service (Family Center)	9:00am
	Sunday School	9:45am
	Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00am
	New Beginnings Church Worship Service (Family Center)	11:00am
	Youth Group Photo Scavenger Hunt	4:30pm
Sept. 30	Pickleball (Family Center)	5:30-7:30pm
	AA Group (#29)	6:00-8:00pm
Oct. 1	Pickleball (Family Center)	11:00am - 1:00pm
	New Beginnings Choir Rehearsal (#14)	4:30pm
	Special Olympics (FC)	6:00pm
	Deacons Meeting (#20)	7:00pm
	Personnel Meeting (#19)	7:00pm
Oct. 2	Prayer Shawl Meeting (Barlow Parlor)	10:00am
	Pickleball (Family Center)	5:30-7:30pm
	Fairfield Ringers (sanctuary)	7:00pm
	Praise Band Practice (Family Center)	8:00pm
Oct. 3	AA Meeting (#29)	7:00-8:00am
	Pickleball (Family Center)	11:00am - 1:00pm
	Civil Air Patrol (Family Center)	6:30-9:30pm
	Adult Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	7:00pm
Oct. 5	Communion Set-up (small kitchen)	
	Williamson/Efford Wedding (sanctuary & HH)	

Reminder: Please be sure to call the church office if you would like to use a room for a meeting or event. A room to meet in might not always be available if it isn't on the calendar. This also helps Donna from "overbooking" rooms due to conflicts. You can also get the latest updates to our calendar online at www.fairfieldpcusa.org.