### **Upcoming Events and Information**

Mon Sept 18: S Council Budget Meeting 7PM

Wed Sept 20: Women's Zoom Chosen Study 6:30 PM

Thu Sept 21: FH Council Budget Meeting 7PM

Sun Sept 24: Sperryville Genesis Study 10 AM

Sat Sept 30: WC Reager Breakfast 7-10AM

Sun Oct 1: Pastor Jeff off; Rev. Jessie Colwell leading worship

and serving communion at all three churches.

Sun Oct 8: Cluster Charge Conference @ Culpeper UMC 4PM

Sun Oct 29: Rockingham Male Chorus (5 sings on 5th Sunday!)

Willis Chapel at 8:45am; Flint Hill at 10:00am; Sperryville at

11:30am; 1:00pm potluck at WC; Community sing 2:30pm WC;

5PM Washington Baptist Finale

Tues Oct 31: "Trunk or Treat" Flint Hill 6-7:30PM

### **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

**FLINT HILL:** 7 Bob Day, 8 Peyton Payne

**SPERRYVILLE:** 15 Zach Wayland, 19 Ray Pike,

26 John Jenkins, Ann Marie Anderson, 27 Karin Brown

**WILLIS CHAPEL:** 19 Janet Monismith, 23 Lauren Fox

### **Pastor Jeff Thompson**

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### **Mission through September:**

UMCOR Advance initiative for Maui

Check to local church and in the memo line:

"Advance #901670-Hawaii"

Cash in an envelope with above reference also accepted.



# Rappahannock United Methodist Charge



# 16th Sunday After Pentecost September 17, 2023

### **Sunday Morning Worship**

8:45 AM: Flint Hill 9:55 AM: Willis Chapel 11:15 AM: Sperryville



PO BOX 97
Flint Hill, VA 22627
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# RAPPAHANNOCK CHARGE

## 16th Sunday After Pentecost September 17, 2023

\*Standing (either literally or in spirit remaining seated)

PRELUDE ENTER LIGHT OF CHRIST ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us.

**Praise the Lord!** 

### \*OPENING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, even from the cross, you managed to forgive us. Even after we had betrayed you and forsaken you, you did not forsake us. You forgave us. Help us, in our dealings with one another, to be courageous enough to follow you down this path of extravagant forgiveness. Make us into the sort of people who are willing to challenge the dominant systems of retribution and vengeance that so rule our lives. Give us the courage, the grace, and the wisdom to forgive others as you have forgiven us. Amen.

\*HYMN 140 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your loving kindness. According to the multitude of your tender mercies, blot out our transgressions, as our sin is ever before us. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us remission of all our sins, true repentance, a changed life, and the grace and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**HYMN 557 Blest Be the Tie That Binds** 

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION P6

SCRIPTURE: Jonah 3:1-10 PSALTER: Psalm 32 P766

**SCRIPTURE: Romans 14:1-12** 

**SCRIPTURE: Matthew 18:21-35** 

**SERMON "Celestial Math"** 

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Amen

**CONCERNS AND PRAYERS** 

**OFFERING** 

\*DOXOLOGY HYMN 95

### SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN 327 Crown Him With Many Crowns

\*BENEDICTION

Live peaceably with others.

Hold fast to what is good.

Honor what is just,

and show mutual affection to all.

Go with the blessings of the Lord.

\*HYMN 666 Shalom To You