

## Upcoming Events and Information

- Sun Aug 27:** Sperryville Genesis Study 10 AM  
**Wed Sept 13:** Women's Zoom Study Resumes 6:30 PM  
**Thu Sept 14:** WC Council Budget Meeting 9:30AM  
**Mon Sept 18:** S Council Budget Meeting 7PM  
**Thu Sept 21:** FH Council Budget Meeting 7PM  
**Sat Sept 30:** WC Reager Breakfast 7-10AM  
**Sun Oct 8:** Cluster Charge Conference @ Culpeper UMC 4PM  
**Sun Oct 29:** Rockingham Male Chorus  
Willis Chapel at 8:45am; Flint Hill at 10:00am; Sperryville at 11:30am; 1:00pm potluck at WC; Com. sing 2:30pm WC.  
**Tues Oct 31:** "Trunk or Treat" Flint Hill 6-7:30PM

### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

**FLINT HILL:** 5 Middy Midkiff, 12 Shirley Foster, Stacy Payne Whitt, 17 Allyson Dodson, 18 Linda Brady, 24 Eddie Noakes, 27 Tyler Johnson

**SPERRYVILLE:** 2 Jeff Abboud, 6 Meggan Abboud, 11 Olivia Woods

**WILLIS CHAPEL:** 6 Charlie Wood, 7 Luke Abrams, 21 Luke Settle, 29 Bob Clements, Linda Deal

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Rappahannock  
United Methodist Charge

Then Jesus called to the crowd to come and hear. "Listen," he said, "and try to understand. It's not what goes into your mouth that defiles you; you are defiled by the words that come out of your mouth." Matthew 15:10-11 NLT

## 12th Sunday After Pentecost August 20, 2023

### Sunday Morning Worship

8:45 AM: Flint Hill

9:55 AM: Willis Chapel

11:15 AM: Sperryville



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# **RAPPAHANNOCK CHARGE**

**12th Sunday After Pentecost**

**August 20, 2023**

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

## **PRELUDE**

**ENTER LIGHT OF CHRIST**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise in worship together.**

## **\*OPENING PRAYER**

**O God, you pour out your spirit of grace and love. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts that, with burning zeal and steady minds, we may worship you in spirit and truth. Amen.**

## **\*HYMN 77 How Great Thou Art**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.**

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Know that you are loved unconditionally and with a repentant heart, you are forgiven.

## **PRAYER FOR HOLINESS OF HEART P401**

**HYMN 402 Lord I Want to Be A Christian In My Heart**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION P6**

## **PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 29:13-15**

**PSALTER: Psalm 133 P850**

**SCRIPTURE: James 3:3-12**

**SCRIPTURE: Matthew 15:10-20**

**SERMON “Words Matter”**

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**CONCERNS AND PRAYERS**

**LORD’S PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

**\*95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

## **SENDING FORTH**

**\*HYMN 374 Standing on the Promises**

**\*BENEDICTION**

May the love of the Father enfold us.

May the wisdom of the Son enlighten us.

May the fire of the Spirit kindle us.

And may the blessing of the Lord God come down upon us and remain with us always.

**\*HYMN 666 Shalom to You**