



“Master, I want to see!”

(Mark 10: 51b, CEV)



Welcome !

We are so glad that you decided to share with us in worship today! Whether we are young or old, longtime worshippers or here for the first time, whether we come full of joy or confidence or doubts or sorrow, in this place, by the grace and mercy of God-in-Christ, we are family.

Feel at peace in how you express praise for the Lord! Whether quiet and reflective, clapping hands and stomping feet, shouts of praise and utterances to God, in this place, by the loving acceptance of Jesus, we are family. Please feel at home!

We hope to see you here again soon.
Anyone who is interested in joining this part of Christ's church should speak to the pastor or one of the elders.

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord:
and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.



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Suicide Awareness Sunday

September 9, 2018

Musician..... Mr. Frederick Bolden

Pastor..... The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

We Assemble in God's Name

Organ Prelude and Lighting of Candles

Words from Scripture

1 Peter 4: 8-11

Chimes

*** Preparation for Worship**

from Psalm 34

Leader: I will extol the Lord at all times;

People: praises will always be on my lips.

Leader: My soul will boast in the Lord;

People: let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me!

ALL: Let us exalt God's name together! Amen.

*** Gathering in Song**

"Pass Me Not"

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*** Call to Worship (unison)**

Dear Lord, we have come together in faithful fellowship and joyful community. Silence all voices in our minds but your own.

Help us to seek and to follow your will; join our prayers with one another, so together we may glorify your name. Let us sing with loud voices, let us love with large hearts, let us hope with high expectations, let us worship with hallelujah praise, for you are great and worthy to be praised. Amen.

Greetings, Announcements, and Celebration of Visitors

*** Passing of the Peace of Christ +**

Pastor: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: *And also with you!*

ALL: *Let us now share the peace of God with one another.*

(Congregation greets one another, exchanging words of peace.)

Worship in Song

The Choir

Prayer Concerns

Invitation to Prayer (unison)

(Romans 7:19)

The Apostle Paul wrote: "For the good that I would, I do not; but the evil which I would not, that I do." These words speak to us today as we try to live our lives, sometimes not knowing if we have done right or if we can live right. These words speak to us when we are hurting and feel as though we have no value to any one. These words speak to us when we feel isolated and afraid. These words lead us to seek the wholeness and healing that can be found in the Lord. Let us pray.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response (unison)

"Through It All"

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We Proclaim God's Word

Scripture

Mark 10: 46-52

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Special Music

The Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: "Blind, Bothering Bart"

The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn of Commitment "Amazing Grace" # 202

* An Affirmation of Faith The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

* Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" # 623

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

The Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

* Choral Response

All things come of Thee, O Lord; and of Thine own have we given Thee.

* Offertory Prayer

We Go In God's Name

* Charge and Benediction The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

* We Carry Our Light Into the World

"This Little Light of Mine"

1. *This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine*
2. *Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine*
3. *Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine*

*Those who are able may stand

+ Late worshipers seated



**Remember our Shut-Ins/Friends
with a call, a card, a visit, your prayers**

Mr. Bob Hale—Salem Health & Rehabilitation Center, **556-6680**
1945 Roanoke Blvd, Salem VA 24153
Mr. Jim Slaughter—1219 Grayson Ave NW (24017) **366-0391**
Ms. Shirley Calhoun—3087 Ordway Drive # J (24017) **362-0617**

*If we can assist you - through prayer, a phone call or a listening ear -
please let us know what help we may provide. Call the church:
540.342.0264, or speak to one of us after worship.*

Announcements & Celebrations

*Forming Faith Bible Study - Tuesdays at 6pm,
Come and grow with us!*

The Pastor's Office hours are by appointment—contact
vernlee3@hotmail.com, or call the office—540.342.0264

The Choir meets as announced. Come join the fellowship. New
members are welcomed, young and old(er)!

Remember: No one should have to choose between paying rent
and feeding their family. Bring a **food offering** to share with
those who need our help.

Men's Day is September 23

The Rev. Dr. Bill Lee (retired, Loudon Ave. Christian
Church) will bring the message.

Save the Date: Fall Bazaar November 3 

PRAYER CONCERNS

- For our nation and its leadership**, for our state and local officials, and those elected to national office— **for wisdom and compassion, for a spirit of cooperation**; for a capacity to seek the greater good instead of personal gain; for families who are separated
- For the leaders of other countries, and the efforts of all who seek to bring peace to the world**—for North and South Korea; for Iran; for Israel/Palestine; for Syria; for The Congo
- For our enemies**, both personal and national, including terrorists
- For our pastor and his family; for our ministry together**
- For unity in the Church, cooperation among denominations, for people of other faiths and for those who have no faith**
- For all who mourn** the deaths of loved ones and friends: *for Audra & Ray Williams and family*; for victims of violence: *for people in our own Roanoke & SW Virginia region*; victims of mass **shootings** throughout the world; those battling **wildfires** and the families who have lost their homes and loved ones; survivors of **hurricanes & floods** and manmade accidents, & for those who work to help them rebuild their lives; for those suffering from famine and hunger
- For those battling cancer & other health and life-challenging issues, for those dealing with depression, with addiction; for those recovering from illness or surgery:** Carnis Poindexter and family; Priscilla Preston, Terry Campbell, Audra Williams, Ernestine Johnson, Pat Brown (Ruth's sister), Carolyn Coleman (cousin of Joyce & Fred), Rev. Dusty Fiedler, Anita Pendleton, The Roberson family, Ruth Hilton, Brenda Williams, Jackie Manns, Harold Robertson, Paul Witting (with Parkinson's); Robert Woodworth; health care workers and researchers; for the elderly
- For our children and youth**; for their teachers & school staff; for those in our neighborhood; for those who work with young people and seek to bring them to Christ and to nurture their faith in him
- For our service men and women and their families**
- For those who seek employment, for the under-employed, for the homeless, for those who are in fear of losing their homes or their jobs; for those under stress at work and at home.**

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18)