

**Morning Worship**  
**July 27, 2008**  
**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Vacation Bible School Celebration**

**Coming Together in Christ**

*It's a Power Lab Vacation Bible School Celebration in worship this morning! The crew leaders and children of this past week's VBS will lead us in worship, prayer and song. Special thanks to our super-energized co-directors, Pam Jan & Lynn Fritz, and their dedicated team of helpers.*

9:55 AM: MEDITATION (Please pause in quiet preparation for worship.)

10:00 AM: CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

*I Will Call Upon the Lord*  
Jean Kobert, piano

Michael O'Shields  
Arr. Mark Hayes

**Entering God's Presence**

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

VBS Leaders & Congregation

Leader: **Jesus gives us the power to be thankful. Aha!**

People: **Always be thankful.**

\* HYMN OF PRAISE

*The Power!*

VBS Kids & Congregation

**Everybody come with me,**

**It's time to sing about Jesus' power all around me.**

**We gotta let the whole world know that Jesus Christ is on the throne!**

**He's got the POWER! Everybody's talkin' bout his POWER!**

**Look up, look down, look all around and you will see his POWER!**

THE PRAYER OF APPROACH

Pam Jan

SILENCE

AMEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (together)

**Oh Lord, we are not always thankful for the exciting discoveries we make. We do not always discover that Jesus gives us the power to be thankful, helpful and brave. We often forget the fun of knowing You and sharing that message with others. Forgive us if we feel we do not have important jobs to do and our enthusiasm and faith falter.**

KYRIE ELEISON

#62, Lift Up Your Hearts

**Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.**

THE DECLARATION OF PARDON

John Dillon

\* THE RESPONSE IN PRAISE

*Hallelu, Hallelu*

**Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!  
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!  
Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah!  
Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Power Lab Blitz**

### **DAY 1:**

Power Verse: "Always be thankful." (Colossians 3:15)  
Bible Point: Jesus gives us the power to be thankful. Aha!  
Song: "Hallelu, Hallelu"

**Hallelu, hallelu, halleju, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!  
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!  
Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah!  
Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!**

### **DAY 2:**

Power Verse: "When God's people are in need, be ready to help them." (Romans 12:13)  
Bible Point: Jesus gives us the power to help others! Aha!  
Song: "Amazing Grace"

**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.**

### **DAY 3:**

Power Verse: "I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me." (Psalm 23:4)  
Bible Point: Jesus gives us the power to be brave! Aha!  
Song: "Wherever You Go"

**Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous.  
Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged,  
For the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go,  
Wherever you go.**

**DAY 4:**

Power Verse: "Since I live, you also will live." (John 14:19)  
Bible Point: Jesus gives us the power to live forever! Aha!  
Song: "I Am a Christian"

**I am a "C",  
I am a C-H  
I am a C-H-R-I-S-T-I-A-N  
And I have C-H-R-I-S-T  
In my H-E-A-R-T  
And I will L-I-V-E  
E-T-E-R-N-A-L-L-Y.**

THE SERMON

"Creation, Jesus & Spirit"

Rev. John Dillon

## **Our Response to God's Love**

\* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (together)

VBS Mission Statement

**Creator God, when we were baptized others vowed to teach us the faith. We now in turn affirm our faith by vowing, as we do at every baptism, to love, teach, care for, and nurture Your children in this place.**

**We give thanks for all the talent, effort, imagination, and energy of all the adult and youth leaders. We give thanks our tithes and offerings were transformed into means of grace by the bubbling enthusiasm of our children. We give thanks for this great opportunity to share your love and to fulfill our commitment as the adult stewards of our children's faith. We affirm our conviction that this is part of our mission in this community.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORSHIPPING THE LORD THROUGH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

*Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)*  
VBS Crew & Children and Katie Kobert, soloist

Chris Rice

\* THE DOXOLOGY

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* THE HYMN OF PARTING #280

*Amazing Grace*

The Hymnal

\* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

(Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.)

## Going Forth in God's Love

### DAY 5:

Power Verse: "Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone. (Mark 16:15)

Bible Point: Jesus gives us the power to tell others about God. Aha!

Song: "Get Up, Get Up!"

\* SUNG BENEDICTION (Please join hands and face the front of the church)

**Get up, get up! Get up and tell the world.  
Get up, get up! Some people haven't heard  
That Jesus paid the price so we could have eternal life.  
Get up, get up! Get up and tell the world.**

\* THE POSTLUDE                      Vacation Bible School Music

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\* Those who wish to do so are invited to stand

### Statement of Purpose

Our Church exists to worship God and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Spirit, we shall serve God's Kingdom by loving our neighbors and promoting peacemaking, justice and care of the earth.

### Statement of Vision

We embrace open and progressive theology. Through education, training, worship and Session leadership we will realize our vision both individually and in community. We will be open to new ideas and programs while staying true to our beliefs and traditions. We will commit our personal and corporate resources to embody our Statement of Purpose. We will live our lives responsibly with honesty and integrity.

"Get Up, Get Up" by Jana Alaya courtesy of Montjoy Music 1997

"Hallelu, Hallelu" courtesy of Wee Sing

"Amazing Grace" by John Newton. Arr by Group Publishing, Inc. 2008-07-24

"Wherever You Go" by Jay Stocker courtesy of Group Publishing, Inc. 2006

## What's Happening This Week:



### **SUNDAY, JULY (27)**

#### **FPC of Annandale, VA Group Arrives for NAILS**

- 9:00 AM Pastor's Study on the Minor Prophets
- 10:00 AM Worship Service, 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
VBS Sunday Celebration, On the Air WCBC  
Cents-Ability Banks Collected
- 1:00 PM Massanetta Service Planning Meeting

### **MONDAY, JULY (28)**

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open

### **TUESDAY, JULY (29)**

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open
- 7:00 PM Local and Global Mission Meetings
- 8:00 PM Mission Committee Meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, JULY (30)**

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open

### **THURSDAY, JULY (31)**

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open

### **FRIDAY, JULY (1)**

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open
- 9:30 AM Summer Lunch Box Program
- 6:30 PM LIFECHANGE Concert at Canal Place

### **SATURDAY, JULY (2)**

- 6:30 PM LIFECHANGE Concert at Canal Place

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST (3)**

#### **St. Andrews UMC Group Arrives for NAILS**

- 9:00 AM Pastor's Study on the Minor Prophets
- 10:00 AM Worship Service, 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Communion, On the Air WCBC
- 5:00 PM GAFOSAC Meeting

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST (10)**

- 9:00 AM Pastor's Study on the Minor Prophets
- 10:00 AM Worship Service, 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
On the Air WCBC
- 5:00 PM GAFOSAC Meeting