

OUR OFFERING - *The Peace and Global Witness Offering*

MUSICAL OFFERING

Ben Houghton, Piano

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (*from Indian liturgy*)

Glory to God, source of all bounty and beauty, whose fullness and fragrance transform us.

Creator God, we lift our hearts to you in thanks.

Glory to God, who has made covenant with all creatures and has promised never to forsake the creation God loves.

Creator God, we lift our hearts to you in thanks.

Glory to God, who made us all in his image and entrusted earth and life to our care.

Creator God, we lift our hearts to you in thanks.

...we join our voices in singing your glory:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

...we tell others of that mystery we call faith:

Christ died, paying the price we could not;

Christ rose, becoming our means of salvation;

Christ will come again, giving new life to all things.

Hear us, now, as we pray as Christ taught us...

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.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*SONG OF DEDICATION

This Is My Song

Number 340

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Choral Amen – Ann Shannon

*POSTLUDE

Ben Houghton, Piano

Bon Air Presbyterian Church



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Seeking and Serving Christ to Make a Difference
All are Welcome!

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 6, 2019

World Communion Sunday

11:00 a.m.

*Please stand, as able.

GATHERING AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

WORDS OF WELCOME

Minute for Ministry: Communications Team

Janet Winslow

Alisha Gallini

PRELUDE

Ben Houghton, Piano

Acolyte: Sarah Ramseur; Cross Bearer: Kate Hurlbert

CHORAL INTROIT

Chancel Choir

O Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord – Donald Moore

*OPENING PRAYER (*Scotland*)

Sidney Whitlock

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. One God, in perfect Community,
look on us now, who look to you.

And hear our prayer for our community:

Where there is falseness ...

Smother it by your truth;

Where there is any coldness ...

Kindle the flame of your love;

Where there is joy and hope ...

Free us to share it together;

Where there is something we should do for others ...

Make us discontent until it is done.

And make us one ...

As you are one, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*SONG OF PRAISE *In Christ There Is No East or West (African American)* Number 317

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Syria*)

O Lord and Master of my life!

Take from me the spirit of sloth, faint-heartedness, lust of power, and idle talk.

But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to Thy servant.

Yea, Lord and King! Grant me to see my own errors and not to judge my brother,

for Thou art blessed unto ages of ages. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVING FORGIVENESS (*South Africa*)

Christ is our peace; those who are divided, he has made one.

**He has broken down the barriers of separation by his death
and he has built us up into one body with God.**

To whomsoever repents and believes, he has promised reconciliation.

We shall live as people reconciled. Amen.

*SONG OF PRAISE (*Wales*)

Number 756, verses 1 & 4

O God of Every Nation

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD TO US

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN

Lauren Ramseur

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*East Africa*)

Holy and gracious God, you are the source of all light. Through your Word, pour out the Spirit of wisdom and understanding on us, so that our hearts and minds may be opened to know your truth and your way. Speak your eternal Word to us that we may respond to your gracious promises with faithfulness, service, and love. Amen.

READING FROM THE SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 1: 1-14

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Chancel Choir

Here, O My Lord – Russell Schulz-Widmar

WORLD COMMUNION MESSAGE

A Witness from Beyond

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

RECOMMENDING OURSELVES TO UNITY IN CHRIST

Let us renew our commitment to gather with our sisters and brothers throughout the world and to grow together in unity.

We respond to the prayer of Jesus Christ that all may be one in order that the world may believe. We are sustained by the assurance that in God's purpose that all things shall be united in Christ.

We affirm that what unites us is much stronger than what separates us.

Neither failure nor uncertainties; neither fears nor threats will weaken our intention to continue to walk together on the way to unity; welcoming all those who would join us on this journey, widening our common vision, discovering new ways of witnessing and acting together in faith.

Let us pray.

God of unity, God of love, what we say with our lips, make strong in our hearts. What we affirm with our minds, make vivid in our lives. Send us your Spirit to pray in us what we dare not pray, to claim us beyond our own claims, to bind us when we are tempted to go our own ways. Lead us forward. Lead us together. Lead us to do your will, the will of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Timothy 1: 1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, ²To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; ⁷for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

⁸Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹²and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. ¹³Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Please let us know that you are here today!

During the service, please sign the blue friendship pad.

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WELCOME! We're glad you joined us for worship today. We are a diverse and engaging community of faith *seeking and serving Christ to make a difference*. We pray that you experience Christ's presence in our midst and that his presence will sustain you in the week ahead. Our ushers are happy to offer you a welcome folder with information about our church and ministries.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP! Special children's bulletins and activity bags are available for children from an usher. Childcare for infants through 2-year-olds is available in our nursery. An usher will be glad to direct you. Following the "Conversation with Children", during the 11:00 a.m. Classic Worship service, young children are welcome to go to the Preschool "Lego" Room for *Godly Play*.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION is celebrated today. All who profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to join in this feast. The Communion trays contain both wine and grape juice. Non-alcoholic juice is in the outer rings. The bread served during communion is gluten free. Following worship, empty cups may be placed in the receptacles at the exits.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY are given by Linda Bollinger in honor of yesterday's wedding of her daughter, Nora Bollinger and Will Crowder.

BAINBRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER FOOD PANTRY - Non-perishable food items may be placed in the shopping cart at the front of the hall. Food items are collected on the first Sunday of each month in support of this local food pantry.

5¢-A-MEAL CONTRIBUTIONS support ministries to hungry people, locally and throughout the Mid-Atlantic, through the Presbytery of the James. Please place your donation in the designated basket at the back of the hall.

FAIRLY TRADED COFFEE AND CHOCOLATE is on sale today. Come and check out all the flavors of chocolate!

SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Classes begin at 9:45 a.m.

Children and Youth

Preschool: *Growing in Grace and Gratitude* (Block Room)

Primary: *Hand Chimes with Mr. Henley* (Library)

Following Chimes - *Growing in Grace and Gratitude* (Sunday School Rooms)

Middle and High School: *Waffles and Faith and Science* (High School Room)

Adults (*Descriptions for next week, October 13*)

Old Testament Prophets for Today (Beck Room) – Come learn about the prophet Hosea who had a very unusual marriage and used his marriage as a metaphor of God's covenant relationship with Israel. What is the message for us today?

The Wired Word (Room 104) – Scripture is central to Christians, but is it precious? Chinese Christians are actively memorizing scripture to protect it from their government. Join in the discussion.

PRIME TIME CIRCLE – Monday, October 7, at 1:30 p.m. in Rooms 101-103. Everyone is welcome to come and see the Glen Campbell film, “I’ll Be Me”, a look at Alzheimer’s disease. A discussion after the film will be led by Stephanie Horrell from Commonwealth Living.

SISTERS CIRCLE - Tuesday, October 8, at 10:30 a.m. in the Garden Room. All women are welcome. Prepare for lesson #2 in our study book, *Love Carved in Stone (A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments)*.

JOIN THE CHURCH FAMILY FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER at 6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$5.00/adult and \$3.00/child with a family cap of \$20.00. Sign up on the sheet on bulletin board near the welcome desk or call the church office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday.

JUSTICE MINISTRY KICK-OFF DINNER - Thursday, October 10, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Join us as we discuss the issues that matter most to our community. We’ll hear Harrison Hayes, Director of Pathways to Health Care Workforce, speak of building a workforce pipeline for health care jobs. RSVP on the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Desk.

COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR AND FRIENDS! Sunday, October 13, at 9:45 a.m. in the Parlor. Bon Air Pres is a unique congregation with a big heart that puts faith in action. Come and learn more about our mission and ministry. Get to know our pastor and some of our members.

PEACE STUDY/ACTION GROUP - Sunday, October 13, at 3:00 p.m. in Room 104. Come explore ways to “revitalize,” welcome new members, update everyone on our history, take a look at the current work of the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program, and make plans for the coming year. Questions? Email Deborah Houghton at debho@comcast.net or call 484-0153.

SECOND SUNDAY SOUTH OF THE JAMES CONCERTS RETURN! – October 13, at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Join us for the first concert of the season featuring Richard Becker, pianist.

CANDIDATE FORUM - Monday, October 14, 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Gather with our neighbors to hear responses by local politicians to moderated questions of community concern and then spend time getting to know them at a reception to follow. Meet candidates for Board of Supervisors (Midlothian), Commonwealth Attorney, Treasurer, and Commissioner of Revenue.

PARENT SUNDAY SCHOOL COFFEE - Each third Sunday this fall, join other parents during the Sunday School hour for coffee and conversation. Our first coffee will be on **Sunday, October 20, in Room 103.** Hope to see you there!

THESE BOOTS ARE MADE FOR WALKING! Join our youth at the 50th Anniversary CROP Walk to raise funds for local and national hunger assistance programs. The walk begins at **1:30 p.m. from Christ the King Lutheran Church on Sunday, October 20.** Everyone can walk. You can choose your own distance from 1 to 3.1 miles. Join our team or donate:
<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/midlothianva/Team/View/120567/Bon-Air-Presbyterian>

JOIN THE FALL FUN at TRUNK or TREAT! Sunday, October 27, at 3:00 p.m. - We need people to decorate their trunks and greet our preschool and neighborhood children with games and treats. Best trunk wins a prize! Sign up on the CE Bulletin Board in the pastor’s hallway or contact Rev. Lauren at lauren@bonairpc.org.

THIS WEEK AT BON AIR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (October 6 - 13)

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	<u>World Communion Sunday</u> Sabbath Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:45 a.m.	Children/Youth Sunday School
	9:45 a.m.	Adult Education (Room 104/Beck Room)
	11:00 a.m.	Classic Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Monday	8:30 a.m.	Friendship Café (Beck Room)
	9:30 a.m.	Yoga (Room 101-103)
	1:30 p.m.	Prime Time Circle (Room 101-103)
	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts (Beck Room, Sunday School Rooms)
	7:15 p.m.	Walk Away the Pounds (Room 101-103)
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Friendship Café (Beck Room)
	10:30 a.m.	Sister’s Circle (Garden Room)
	Noon	ROMEO’s (Mexico Restaurant)
	6:00 p.m.	AA (Fellowship Hall/Room 101-103)
	6:15 p.m.	Girl Scouts (Sunday School Rooms)
	7:00 p.m.	Communications Team (Garden Room)
Wednesday	Noon	Staff Meeting (Library)
	2:00 p.m.	Congregational Care Team (Library)
	6:15 p.m.	Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
	6:45 p.m.	Chancel Ringers (Sanctuary)
	6:45 p.m.	Cantus Children’s Choir (Children’s Music Room)
	7:00 p.m.	Church & Society Team (Garden Room)
	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Team (Beck Room)
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Friendship Café (Beck Room)
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga (Garden Room)
	6:00 p.m.	Social Justice Kick-Off Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
	7:15 p.m.	Walk Away the Pounds (Room 101-103)
Friday	5:00 p.m.	AA (Fellowship Hall/Room 101-103)
Saturday	6:00 a.m.	Al-Anon Breakfast (Kitchen/Fellowship Hall)
Next Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Sabbath Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:45 a.m.	Children/Youth Sunday School
	9:45 a.m.	Adult Education (Room 104/Beck Room)
	9:45 a.m.	Coffee with the Pastor (Parlor)
	11:00 a.m.	Classic Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	Noon	Hospitality & Welcome Team (Library)
	3:00 p.m.	Peace Study/Action Group (Room 104)
	4:00 p.m.	Second Sunday Concert (Sanctuary)
	7:00 p.m.	Session (Beck Room)