

Worship Bulletin and Herndon UMC News April 14, 2024

MEMBERS & SEEKERS CLASS WEEK 2 – SACRAMENTS & LAITY. Learn more about what it means to be a United Methodist (UM). All are welcome to attend any or all sessions. The remaining topics include: Understanding Sacraments and Role of the Laity, UM Conferencing and Connectionalism, Herndon UMC Tools & Connections & Generosity. The class meets in Rooms 115/116 at 11:15am. Contact scott@herndonumc.org.

WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP DINNER ON 4/17. Next Wednesday, join us for a short worship service and then dinner and fellowship brought to you by the Backpack Food Helpers and friends. Join us for a delicious chicken dinner and help feed kids in need at Dranesville Elementary!

PRESCHOOL SPRING FAMILY FAIR 4/20, 11am-1pm! Herndon UMC Preschool invites everyone to the Spring Family Fair held at Herndon UMC near the playground. Get some lunch, have some fun, check out the silent auction, and support the Preschool.

NATIONAL REBUILDING DAY IS SATURDAY, 4/27! Many hands make light work. Help lead an area of this mission event, which serves area homeowners in need of help with home repairs, please sign up in the app, at **bit.ly/HerndonUMCNeeds**, and on the Connection Corners.

FLAGPOLE DEDICATION, 4/28! All are welcome to help Corbett Howell complete his Eagle Scout project with the dedication ceremony for the new flagpole by the Preschool Door (Door 7). The ceremony which will honor veterans will be held at 12:30 pm on Sunday, April 28.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO SUPPORT YOUTH AND KIDS. Help make a safe, loving environment for our kids and youth to grow closer to Jesus. For youth, contact Andrew at **youth@herndonumc.org**. For KIDS, contact Mallory, **mallory@herndonumc.org**.

ESTHER NEW STUDY. Context by Rev Josh Scott looks at verses in the Bible we know by heart but may not know the people, places, and times that give them meaning. The Esther women's Bible Study begins this study on Wednesday, 4/17, over Zoom. Try it for 7 weeks. Contact Levenia or Janice at esthergroup@herndonumc.org. All women are welcome.

SOCKS FOR THE HOMELESS. Help the Mary Martha circle support Cornerstones shelters by providing new socks, all sizes and styles are welcome. Leave donations in the basket in the cabinet in Room 105.

JUST LIKE ME (VBS 2024) | 7/8-12! Kids age 3- grade 6 will hear Bible Stories, serve in the Mission Station, enjoy games in the Rec Station, make a joyful noise in the Music Station, and discover more about God's creation in the Science Station. Register today or sign up to help! Contact Mallory, mallory@herndonumc.org, for more information.

SUMMER MUSICAL THEATRE CAMP | 7/22-26. More information about this musical camp opportunity for ages 5-18 should be coming out soon. If you are interested in signing up to know when registration opens, contact melissa@herndonumc.org or office@herndonumc.org.

SUPPORT GENERAL CONFERENCE WITH YOUR PRAYERS. Prayer plans are posted in the Prayer Chapel. General Conference is 4/23-5/3. Download prayer plans and learn more at vaumc.org/gc2024/ and www.resourceumc.org/en/churchwide/general-conference-2020.

Find the e-News and announcements at herndonumc.org anytime under **News >> Weekly eNews**.

Worship—8 AM

Gathering Music

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Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;

changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

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Open our minds: that we may perceive your kingdom.

Lift up our eyes to where the cross of Christ stands for our healing: so may we believe, and in believing not die but have eternal life; through him who in your love for us you sent into the world, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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For God expressed His love for the world in this way: He gave His only Son so that whoever believes in Him will not face everlasting destruction, but will have everlasting life. Here's the point. God didn't send His Son into the world to judge it; instead, He is here to rescue a world headed toward certain destruction.

No one who believes in Him has to fear condemnation, yet condemnation is already the reality for everyone who refuses to believe because they reject the name of the only Son of God. Why does God allow for judgment and condemnation? Because the Light, sent from God, pierced through the world's darkness to expose ill motives, hatred, gossip, greed, violence, and the like. Still some people preferred the darkness over the light because their actions were dark. Some of humankind hated the light. They scampered hurriedly back into the darkness where vices thrive and wickedness flourishes. Those who abandon deceit and embrace what is true, they

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Message | Rev. Scott Bach-Hansen

Offertory Hymn | *This Is How We Know* | Beth and Matt Redman | led by Melissa Chavez

[Verse] This is how we know this is how we know what love is
Just one look at Your cross and this is where we see
This is where we see how love works for You surrendered Your all
And this is how we know that You have loved us first
And this is where we chose to love You in return

[Chorus] For You so loved the world that You gave Your only Son Love amazing so divine we will love You in return For this life that You give for this death that You have died Love amazing so divine we will love You in reply (Lord) (Savior of the world)

[Bridge] And our love will be loud our love will be strong
Our love should be hands and feet that serve You in this world
So let it stay true and let it endure that You will be glorified
worshipped and adored

[Ending] King Jesus we love You for we have been loved (4X) We have been loved

Prayer | Rev. Scott Bach-Hansen

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Closing Song | The Summons | FWS 2130 | Led by Melissa Chavez

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Sending Forth | Rev. Scott Bach-Hansen

Sending Music

Worship-10 AM

Gathering Music | *Praise Be To You, Jesus Christ* | G.A. Homilius | played by Luis Gonzalez

Welcome & Announcements | Melissa Chavez

Call to Worship | by Ann Siddall | Melissa Chavez

[One] Friends of God, believe this – God loved the world, God loves the world, we are the beloved!

[All] May the truth of this great love story, shine through our worship today, and renew our sense of calling.

[One] So come, with your tiredness, your frustrations, and your discouragements; come with your doubts, your fears, and your longings;

[All] come, to discover yet again how Jesus reveals God's love and mercy.

[One] Come, in friendship to God
[All] and to each other,
[One] and in friendship to the world,
[All] to listen for God's Word to us,
[One] to offer our prayers,
[All] and to renew our calling.

[One] Friends of God, [All] **let us worship!**

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Herndon UMC | God is love.

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Passing of the Peace | Melissa Chavez

Traveling Music | *Hallelu Hallelu* | Rick Altizer | led by Melissa Chavez

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Children's Message | Mallory Hopper

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Special Music | God So Loved the World | John Stainer | Brian Evans, soloist

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That he gave his only begotten Son
That whoso believeth, believeth in him
Should not perish, should not perish
But have everlasting life

For God sent not his Son into the world
To condemn the world;
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To condemn the world;
But that the world through him might be saved

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Invitation to Giving | Melissa Chavez

Offertory | Like an Ocean | by Tim Osiek | Wesley Choir

I've got peace like a river, like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river, soothing river, calmly flow.
When the world closes in, feel the stillness within.
I've got peace like a river, like a river in my soul.
I've got love like an ocean, like an ocean in my soul.
I've got love like an ocean, endless ocean, deep and full.
When you're lost and alone, let the waves bring you home.
I've got love like an ocean, like an ocean in my soul.
I've got joy like a fountain, like a fountain in my soul.
When your hope nearly dies, just remember,

once again you shall rise!
I've got joy like a fountain, love like an ocean,
peace like a river in my soul.
Like a fountain, like an ocean., like a river in my soul.

Doxology | *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* | UMH 94 | led by Melissa Chavez

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer | Rev. Scott Bach-Hansen

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Benediction | Rev. Scott Bach-Hansen

Leaving Music | *What God Ordains Is Always Good* | J.S. Bach and S.W. Müller | played by Luis Gonzalez