

Coming up!
Great Bridge
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

- September 11 10:00 am Squeeze service, 50th Anniversary Preschool Recognition
 Blessing of the Backpacks, Special reception following worship
 BRIEF congregational meeting following worship
 1:00 –3:00 pm GriefShare begins, Bob Burley, facilitator, Rm 240
 1:00—3:00 pm Divorce Care begins, Brenda Sims, facilitator, Rm 230
 *11:00 am Sunday School, Rm 240, John Munday, facilitator, currently studying the book of John
- 14 *7:00 pm Chancel Choir practice, Join us! High School & Up!
- 15 *9:30—11:00 am Mom’s Bible Study, childcare provided, moms of all ages welcome, Becky Miles, facilitator, Rm 230
- 17 10:00 am Chancel Choir workshop “Kneeling in Bethlehem” Christmas!
- 18 *Sunday School resumes, K—grade 5
 *10:30-11:00 am Kids Sing resumes, Rm 200, Pre-K—Grade 5
 Food for All Food Drive (1 week) to benefit: Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the House of Blessing
- 20 1:00-6:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive, register online
 *6:30 pm Harmonious Flutes resume rehearsals, open H. School & up!
 *7:30 pm Alleluia Ringers resume rehearsals, positions open for experienced ringers
- 25 Rev. Dr. Lou Ventura preaching, Food Pantry (October 2)

*Denotes weekly meetings unless otherwise listed.

Proposed Slate of Candidates:
 Congregational Nominating Committee
 Session: Beth Doriani, Sam Howard
 Deacons: Jean Frey
 Men’s Group: Bob Burley
 PW Women: Claire Burk
 At Large: Lee Anne Lamkin

Proposed Slate of Deacons:
 Class

Kim Randall	2023
Sherry Jones	2023
Linda Powers	2024
Lisa Midkiff	2024
Patti Carlson	2024
Steve Carlson	2024
James Midkiff	2025
Brad Walker	2025
Bobby Davis	2025

Church office update: Temporarily our office hours are 9:00 am—2:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Check our website for updates: <https://www.gbpres.org>;
 Guest Password for WiFi, believeingod
 Thank you for joining us for worship today.
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“Sharing Christ’s love, equipping God’s people”



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Order of Worship September 11, 2022
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**Stand as you are able in body or spirit.*

Prelude “Children’s Medley” Marilyn Ham

Welcome and Announcements

***Opening Song** Jase McElwee

***Call to Worship** Aria & Quinn Boyette, Elder, Children’s Ministry
Calling all children of the Living God: the gospel is good news for every age and every stage.

Let us worship together, the young and the old.

The good news is proclaimed in God’s words, and also with crayons, silly songs, snacks and rest time.

Let us worship together, every generation.

We come together with different abilities and disabilities, learning in a rainbow of ways and styles.

Let us worship together, with our family of faith.

All our welcome in the arms of Christ who proclaimed,
“Let the children come!”

Let us worship together, united in our eternal hope.

***Prayer of Confession** *(all read)*

Lord, as this new school year begins we confess we all fail you at times, moms, dads, brothers and sisters, grandmoms and granddads, and teachers too. We ask for your forgiveness at those times when we behave in ways that make you sad. Help us to let our lights shine for you. Amen

***Assurance of Pardon**

Friends! Jesus loves you! Jesus loves us even when we are not behaving as we know we should. When we ask for forgiveness, God will forgive us because he loves us and God is a God of second chances.

***In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

Response No. 188 Jesus Loves Me!

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Receiving New Member Rebecca Webb Rev. Dr. Lou Ventura
Johanna Jozwiak, Clerk of Session

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Passing the Peace

Children come forward with backpacks for Blessing of the Backpacks

Blessing of the Backpacks Rev. Dr. Lou Ventura
Children will return to sit with parents

Moment of Silence Commemorating the
21st anniversary of September 11, 2001

(Eight chimes are rung for the 8th hour-8:46 am-time of the first attack.)

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer (using debts and debtors)
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.

Offertory “New Doxology” Dan Galbraith

***Prayer of Dedication** *(Congregation will be seated following the prayer.)*

Epistle Scripture Reading I Timothy 1:12-17 NT, pg. 208

Anthem “Praise Him, Alleluia” Eugene Butler

Scripture Reading Luke 15:1-10 NT, pg. 78

Sermon “A Complete Community” Rev. Dr. Lou Ventura

***Closing Hymn** This Little Light of Mine Trad. Spiritual

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine. (repeat 3X’s)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev’ry-where I go, I’m gonna let it shine. (repeat 3X’s)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Shine, shine, shine, I’m gonna let it shine. (repeat 3X’s)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

***Charge and Benediction**

***Benediction Response** This Little Light of Mine Trad. Spiritual

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine. (repeat 3 X’s)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Sending Music Jase McElwee