

FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

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WELCOME TO THE MEETING HOUSE

We extend a cordial welcome to all visitors and invite you to consider membership in our congregation. After the service, please pick up a Meeting House mug with information about the Meeting House. We invite you to join us for any of the many opportunities listed in the bulletin insert.

Service Schedule: During the summer, there is one morning service at 10:00 am. Childcare available.

Childcare is provided for infants through 4-year olds in the Education Building. Silent pagers are available for parents in case our nursery staff needs to reach you. If your child becomes restless and needs to leave the sanctuary, an usher can direct you to our child care facilities.

Individual listening devices are available on the desk in the narthex. Please turn them off as you return them after worship.

Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from an usher.

Audio and video tapes of services are available in the office. Podcasts of the Scripture readings and sermons can be found on the website.

Restrooms are available down the stairs from the narthex. Handicapped accessible restrooms are in the Elliot House.

Our parking lot is located on the 400 block of South Royal Street, not next door to the sanctuary. For information about additional parking options, see the flyer in the friendship pad.

Today Lemonade on the Lawn is hosted by the Stewardship and Finance Ministry. Please join us for fellowship in the churchyard behind the sanctuary following the worship service.

Art work on Meeting House coffee mugs and on the front of the bulletin is by Meeting House member, Betty Heiby.

REMEMBRANCES AND CELEBRATIONS

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of their mother and grandmother, Jeannette Drew Smalling, by her children and grandchildren.

We celebrate the birth of Lucy Elisabeth Zeranski Ketchem, granddaughter of Laura and Peter Zeranski, on July 21.

PRAYER CONCERNS – AUGUST 1, 2010

Our prayers are with those in the military and other government services who are currently deployed. In the Middle East: Michael Woodgerd. In Iraq: Michael DeWoody and Paul Caruso. In Afghanistan: Vince Cobb.

Our prayers are newly offered for Gloria Cooper; and for Annmarie Pittman's friend, Mark Lappin.

Our prayers continue for Bill Sengel; Sally Laha's father, M.L. Schield; Mariellyn Peake; Mary McElveen's aunt, Susan Henshaw, and friends Pat Ulrich and Carolyn Townsley; Geoff Marin's uncle Dale Perry; and Sarah Palsma's uncle, Lee Palsma.

CHURCH NEWS

A two-week Inquirers' Class for those interested in learning more about the church or in becoming members will be held on Sundays, August 8 and August 15, from 8:40–9:40 am, in the Elliot House 2nd floor Conference Room. RSVPs to the church office are encouraged, but not required.

Celebrate Alice's ministry at the Meeting House - Please join us on Sunday, August 15, for a reception following 10 am worship to celebrate Alice Tewell's ministry with us, wish her and Adam farewell, and send them off with prayers and good wishes to her new ministry as Associate Pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Ithaca, NY.

Summer Office Hours: On Fridays through September 3, the office will be open from 8:15 am - 1:00 pm. Monday through Thursday hours will remain the same (8:15 am - 4:15 pm).

ADULT EDUCATION

Calvinism and the Rule of Law: Struggles over Religion and Human Rights. There are still spaces available for the 2011-2012 Reformed Institute Colloquy, led by Dr. David Little. The colloquy, which gathers 12-20 people from area churches, meets four times a year. More information can be found at www.reformedinstitute.org.

Summer "Not-Quite-Beach" Reading: If you would like to stretch your mind and faith this summer, the Reformed Institute has put together a list of recommended reading. Copies may be found on the secretary in the narthex, or in the church office.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Vacation Bible School begins this evening with a family picnic at 5:00 pm. Activities run Monday-Thursday, 9:00-11:30 am. Please keep our VBS children and staff in your prayers this week.

From August 1-7, the younger high school youth will be at the Youth Conference "*In These Waters*" at Montreat. Please keep Brian Comey, Mark Comey, Grace Dunn, Michaela Mayer, Paul McClure, Zia Palmer, Jenny Parker, and Alice Tewell in your prayers.

MISSION

Tutors Needed! Tutor a first or second grade student in reading for half an hour once or twice a week, and make the difference of a lifetime. For more information, or to register, go to www.alexandriatutors.org

Ongoing food drive for the ALIVE food pantry: Please make bringing a non-perishable food donation a part of your Sunday routine. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex or the church office. The youth collected about 600 cans during service week.

FELLOWSHIP, STUDY AND PRAYER

First Sundays with the Stephen Ministers: Many of us struggle to find peace and meaning in our lives, especially during difficult and sad times. Stephen Ministers will host an informal time of fellowship on the first Sunday of each month and welcome all who would like a willing listener. We will be in the Elliot House parlor following the 10:00 am service. If you would like more information or would like to arrange to meet privately with a Stephen Minister, call Susan Grandy at 703-780-4134 or 703-299-4749.