**13th Sunday after Pentecost** September 7, 2025

Liturgist: Betsy R

**PRELUDE** *Allemande, Courante* Mattheson (1681-1764)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT**  *Let All the World* Routley (1917-1982)

**CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 139 and Jeremiah 18)**

Leader: Like clay on a wheel

**All: God forms us: shaping us, molding us, creating us.**

Leader: And like moldable clay,

**All: God continues to shape us.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

**MORNING PRAYER**

**\*OPENING HYMN #12** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*  ST DENIO

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Creator God, you know us better than anyone else. You formed us in your own image. And yet, we sometimes stray from the gift you’ve given us. We keep people at a distance, letting systemic and personal barriers get in the way of relationships. Forgive us, Lord. Le us hear your call to change and do better. Empower us to ask for forgiveness from those whom we have wronged. Help us to think of you and those around us.**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI #581** *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

**FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON** Psalm 1 p.424

**ANTHEM** *The Disciples Knew the Lord Jesus* Milburn (b. 1963)

(Refrain) The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

1. The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.
2. One body are we, alleluia, though we are many we share one cup.

**SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON** Luke 14:25-33 p. 850

**SERMON**  *Possessed*Rev. Samantha Coggins

**THE LORD’S SUPPER**

***Invitation***

***Great Thanksgiving***

***Communion of the People***

**\*CLOSING HYMN #509** *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* HOLY MANNA

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *Gigue*  Mattheson

This week’s liturgy is written by Julia Burkley and the *Presbyterian Outlook.*

**LINK** : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CW3ABfXplHg>



Shenandoah Nursing Home: Nancy Garber

Summitt Square: Ruth Quillen

Home: Mary Ultee, Mary Ann Maupin, Warner Sandquist, Mike & Cathy Cunningham, Polly Bare, Olive Prettyman.

Friends and Family: Bill Bromley, Jean Custen, Sally McNeel, Col. Stuart Roberts (Mark Henderson), Carolyn Hedrick-Williams, (Colleen Cash), Betsy Boswell (Curry), Shane Bennett (Bennett).

Military: Carson Craig, Michael Little

**NEW BOOK STUDY TO BEGIN**

**Wednesday, October 1, 10:00 a.m. in the Barksdale Room**

**The weekly Book Study group, spearheaded by pastor Coggins, concluded its discussion of Marilynne Robinson’s *Gilead* on September 3. Ten weeks of sharing, thoughtful insights, and meaningful interpretations have proved to be only the beginning of something great!**

**More information on the new book and its availability will be forthcoming.**

**Any interested parties – male or female, members of First Pres or not – are welcome to attend the Bible Study. Just show up!**



Offering plate is in the Narthex

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA**

*A community-minded congregation living out the love of Christ as we serve one another with humility, gentleness, and patience through God’s grace.*

**September 7, 2025 11:00 AM**

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