

..growing disciples who make a difference

August 13, 2023

#### Welcome!

Are you visiting with us? Whether in-person or on Facebook Live, we welcome you to our worship services! We would love to get to know you and find out how we can

#### Connect

To get connected, talk to any ministry leader or call the church office at 859-623-3580. You may also fill out a physical connect card or online at richmondfumc.org/connect.

#### Worship

Current Series: The Kingdom Is Like

Matthew's gospel contains somewhere around 24 parables (depending on how you count). Of these, 10 begin with the phrase "The Kingdom of God is like...' Join us as we explore the world of Jesus' parables about the Kingdom of God.

This Morning: "Invasive" Matthew 13:31-33

Both the parable of the mustard seed and the parable of the yeast describe to us things that begin very small and grow and spread to great size. Oddly, yeast is often used in Jewish thought as a metaphor for sin. In the same way, the mustard plant would not be grown in a garden. Its presence here makes it a weed. Perhaps Jesus chooses these things not just because they exhibit growth, but because they tend to over-run their environment.

Hymns: "Immortal, Invisible" #103 "Seek Ye First" #405

"Hymn of Promise" #707

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children: Birth to 3yr

Children's Discipleship: 4yr to 5th grade



HOW CAN WE HELP? Assisted-listening devices are available; ask a greeter!

#### **Our Mission**

After His resurrection, Jesus gave his disciples this mission:

"...go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Mt 28:19-20)

Our purpose is to "grow disciples who make a difference."

### This Week: August 13-19

# Sunday

10:00 - Traditional Worship

11:00 - Thrive Worship

12:00 - Fellowship Meal - MMC

6:30 - "Chosen" Study (Sanctuary)

### Monday:

\*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr

6:30pm - Women's Ministry-Chapel

7:00pm - Pickleball

### Tuesday

\*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr

# Wednesday

\*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr

12:00 - Pickleball

6:30 - Youth Ministry-MMC Youth RM

7:30 - Adult Choir Practice

8:00 - Thrive Band Practice

### Thursday

\*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr

10:00 - Women's Fellowship Study

6:30 - Finance Team - Parlor

### Friday

9:00 - Pickleball

#### Saturday

Quarter "Mania"

5:00 pm - Doors Open

6:00pm - AUCTION!



Matthew 13:31-33

### Sharing Ministry Report

In July, our Sharing Ministry

Served 34 Families

For a total of \$1,675

5 Books Given



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## Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

To have your concern or celebration added to this list, contact the church office. Requests will remain for 3 weeks.

### **Prayer Concerns**

Scott Deyo

Tristan (Yehor Vitel's brother-in-law)

Dee Vitatoe (friend of Lauren & Savannah Thompson)

Gage & Stephen Phillips (relatives of Stephanie Hicks)

Barbara Fullington

Kenneth Stultz (friend of Kim Nettleton)

Tammy Barker (friend of Kim Nettleton, cancer)

Clifton Webb (father of John Webb, stroke recovery)

Family of Louise Ridgley (death of her brother Ricky Thomas)

Ray Peters (upcoming surgery August 16)

## **Our Military**

Army: Sam Lisle, Special Ops

William McCoy Jason Glen, Hawaii

Tyler Anderson, Colorado Springs

Army Reserve: Luke Harvey Marines: John R. Glenn, Quantico Air Force: Traver Harvey, Japan National Guard: Tom Petit



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**



Donations for

Methodist Mountain Mission

Bring in now thru 22 August to the Hartman Room

Thank you for your continued faithfulness in giving to FUMC!

Our giving records do not currently reflect your most recent gifts and so are unpublished this week.

We will update our records and publish accurate totals on August 20 (next Sunday.)

You may give to the ministries of the church at https://pushpay.com/q/richmondfumc



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