

**Pentecost Sunday**  
**June 8, 2025**

**Prelude**

Sean Yu

**Welcome**

Rev. Greg Mobley

**Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**    *from Psalm 42*

Leader: Like a deer that longs for streams of water, my soul longs for you, O God.

**People: My soul rejoices in God, in the living God.**

Leader: When will I come and see the face of God?

**People: This is what I remember as I pour out my soul, how I crossed over with the community,  
how I processed into the House of God with the sounds of shouts and thanksgivings,  
a host on pilgrimage.**

**All: By day the Lord commands his grace and by night I have God's song.**

**Kids' Church**    Children are welcome to meet in the entrance area of the sanctuary  
for Kids Church in the Parish House.

Nicole Giannetta &  
Becca Costa

**\*Gathering Hymn**        *When Morning Gilds the Skies*        #35 Red Hymnal

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries, may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Alike at work and prayer, to Jesus I repair; may Jesus Christ be praised!

The night becomes as day, when from the heart we say, may Jesus Christ be praised!  
The powers of darkness fear, when this sweet chant they hear, may Jesus Christ be praised!

Ye nations of mankind, in this your concord find, may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound, may Jesus Christ be praised!

To God, the Word, on high, the hosts of angels cry, may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Let mortals, too, upraise their voice in hymns of praise, may Jesus Christ be praised! Amen.

**\*Passing the Peace**

**Scripture**    *2 Kings 5:1-14* (pg. 323 in your pew Bible)

**Sermon**        *The River Jordan*

**\*Hymn**                *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*        #223 Red Hymnal

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King. The triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Glory to God and praise and love be ever, ever given  
By saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven. Amen.

**Service of Prayer**

Joys and Concerns / Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts)

## Offering

Call to Offering

Choir Anthem *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* Arr. Greg Gilpin

Faye Chen & FCCW Choir

\*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; (or) Praise God, from Whom All blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise God for all that love has done;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Praise Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Closing Hymn

*I Love to Tell the Story*

#317 Red Hymnal

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

*[Refrain]* I love to tell the story; twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best,  
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. *[Refrain]* Amen.

## Benediction

## Threefold Amen

## Postlude

\*Please rise in body or in spirit

## News From Rev. Greg Mobley

Dear Sisters and Brothers of Woodbridge,

I will be ending my regular ministry with you this summer. My final Sundays with you will be on June 8 and July 6. Connie and I will miss you dearly. You have extended so much warmth and support to us over the past three years. I have never felt such a bond with a congregation. It was a privilege to preach to folks on my same wavelength.

As you know, my primary work is academic and I need time to focus on my next book project, on the topic of the Bible and Loneliness.

There is so much more to say, and I am grateful that we will have the opportunity to say some of it to each other face to face on these two remaining occasions.

I am grateful to Susan Murtha for inviting me into her interim ministry. I am cheered by the amazing growth I have witnessed in the congregation, especially with the addition of so many families. With the arrival of your new pastor and the advent of a new chapter in the storied history, I assure you of my prayerful support and our enduring friendship.

Sincerely,  
Greg



## Volunteers Needed!!!

Our 68<sup>th</sup> Strawberry Festival is being held on Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. We need all the volunteers we can get to help make it another successful year. There are sign-up sheets in the Parish House for biscuit making, strawberry hulling, set up, serving strawberry shortcakes, and clean-up. Fun event that needs many hands!

Nancy Dickgiesser and Sue Stoddard, Co-Chairs

### Call To Annual Meeting June 8, 2025

The Annual Meeting of the FCCW Congregation shall be held on Sunday, June 8, 2025 at 11:15 AM in the Parish House in order to:

1. To receive and accept the Annual Reports from the Interim Sr. Minister, Moderator, and Boards and Committees.
2. To accept the report from the Nominating Committee to elect officers, Committee and Board members.
3. To address other items as may come before the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Stoddard, Clerk

**68TH ANNUAL  
STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL**

**FRIDAY JUNE 13  
5:30 - 7:30 PM**

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST  
5 MEETINGHOUSE LANE  
WOODBIDGE**

**HOT DOGS & BURGERS PREPARED BY TROOP 907**

**HOMEMADE STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE WITH  
FRESH WHIPPED CREAM**

**TOURS OF OUR HISTORIC CHURCH**

**CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES:FACE PAINTING  
& MUSIC BY MICHELE URBAN**

**FREE WILL OFFERING  
FOR OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED**

**CASH OR CHECK ONLY**