

July 19, 2026
8th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Surely the Lord is in this place!
People: This is the house of God.
Leader: In Christ we are no longer strangers;
People: we are members of the household of God.
All: Let the whole household of God praise the Lord!

*HYMN 49 *“The God of Abraham Praise”*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, in your majesty, we cry, “Abba, Father!”, knowing that you hear us as a parent listens for her children’s cry. We call upon you from our futility, knowing that we have lived trapped by our flesh. Set us free in the Spirit, to hope in you, seeking your ways and teachings. Forgive us and give us a new life of hope, in the promise of the future that we cannot see, for the life we live now in the Spirit, in service to your kingdom. Amen

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting!
People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI 581

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 28: 10-19a

Leader: The word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 8: 12-25

Leader: The word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

CHILDREN SERMON

Patty Oakley

SERMON *“Escaping Futility”*

Rev. Dr. Morgan Whitfield, Jr.

*HYMN 317 *“In Christ There Is No East or West”*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 35 Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

OFFERING

Call to Offering

Offertory

*Doxology 606

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN 772 *“Live into Hope”*

POSTLUDE

(ASTERISK* please stand in body or spirit. BOLD indicates congregational response)

We welcome each person who is visiting with our congregation and extend a special invitation for you to make The Presbyterian Church of Radford your home. Please take a visitor's card from the pew, fill it out and place it in the offering plate. Hearing devices are available at the back of the sanctuary. If you wish to use one during worship, please let one of our ushers know. Kindly remove the batteries after use.

Session

David A. Young, Clerk of the Session

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
John Herndon	Coleman Thomas	Debbie Chase
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Florence Mogen	Hugh Miller	David Young

Church Directory

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REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

CONGREGATION: Richard Robertson, Sherry & Ty Oxley, Jim Coulthard, Judy Hood, Kylene Hilton.

FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION: Trey and Christina Wall (son & daughter in law of Dot Wall), Elizabeth Klein (friend of Steve Willis), John Simmons (friend of Charlie & Wilma Allen), Asa Peeples (grandson of Don Makin), Nancy Zingelmann (resident of Highland Ridge Nursing Home), David Coulthard (brother of Jim Coulthard), Bobby Jenkins (Uncle to Jill Alderman), Dick & Laura Stanton (Gwen Whitfield’s parents), Mark & Vickie Williams (friends of Dot Wall), Mary Ann Williams (friend of Diane Bibb), David Dawson & Family (friend of Coley Thomas), Carl Hill (friend of Pam Valet), Granddaughter of Tommy Brewer (friend of Dan Gardiner), Harriet Lambert (David Ferrell sister), Kem Darden (friend of Dan Gardiner), Betty Lou Crawford (friend of Maureen Thomas), Janet Bateman (sister of Dan Gardiner), Marlyn Torres(friend of a friend of Dan Gardiner), Clay Spangenberg (friend of Carol White), David Blue (Denise Bernardini brother-in-law), MacKenzie Farmer (friend of Barbara Nelson), Laura Gordon & Family (friend of David Ferrell), Family of Mary Gilmer MacAdoo (Jane MacAdoo Mother).

Head Ushers for July 2026

July 5, 12 Hugh Miller
July 19, 26 Florence Mogen

Head Usher for August 2026

August 2, 9 David Ferrell
August 16, 23, 30 Joan Hannah

July 25 – Necessities Pantry

July 26 – Coffee after worship-Group #3 set up and cleaning up. Everyone bring food.

August 4- Mary will be out for Virginia State Primary Election

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Masking in Worship—Masking in worship and Sunday School will be optional. This policy is subject to change if there is another surge in COVID.

The July Recorder printed copies will be in the back of the Sanctuary.

Giving statements are in the back of the sanctuary

If anything is wrong on your giving statement please contact Mary by coming by the office Monday-Friday 9am -2 pm or email pcofradford@gmail.com or calling 540-639-2585.

Thank you to everyone who came out on July 11, 2026 for PCR bed build with “Sleep in Heavenly Peace NRV” 40 beds where built. *1650 beds built & delivered in the NRV.

Gwen and Morgan will be in California to see Brandan swim in the “USA National”. July 27, 2026, through August 4, 2026. Rev. Robin Williamson will be leading the service on August 2, 2026.

August Kids is a local program sponsored by the Radford Clothing Bank. It is to help children in Radford City Schools to start the new school year in new clothes. On August 3, 2026 will be the screening day for eligible families. The families are issued vouchers so students can buy back-to-school clothes at Radford Wal-Mart. In 2025, August Kids served 292 students from 130 families and we expect to serve even more this year. New clothing helps students start the year with confidence and a positive outlook. PCR has been a huge supporter of this. If you wish to donate to August Kids, please drop your donation in the collection plate. If you are writing a check please put on the memo line August Kids, if you are donating cash put in a collection envelope and write on it for August Kids.

New Member Class—It will start when we start Sunday School back. September 13, 2026.

Pastor Morgan (teacher) For those interested in joining PCR (“What does PCR stand for, anyway? What do people keep saying that?”), Pastor Morgan will host a class during Sunday School (10 AM) during September for those who want to learn more. During the class, new members learn about the history and life of our particular church as well as our denomination, the Presbyterian Church USA. We will introduce you to members of the Session (the governing board of our church), and it is also a time to get to know the church as well as other folks who are interested in joining. This class is open to anyone. If you have any questions please talk to Pastor Morgan.

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