

Welcome to Clifton Presbyterian Church!



We are delighted you are worshiping with us today. We are a committed and caring community of faith, loving God, one another and the world as disciples of Christ. If you are looking for a deeper connection to God with other followers of Jesus and an opportunity to serve, we invite you to make your church home here. To learn more, please provide your contact information on the yellow Connection Card or speak to one of our pastors.

WHAT'S NEW THIS WEEK: SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

Today Our Fall Program Begins:



All adults and children from grades 1-8 are invited to participate!

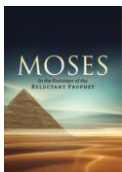
Junior Church: following the Children's Time every Sunday (Grades 1-8)



We will offer the Spark Lectionary curriculum which follows suggested weekly Scripture readings in the Revised Common Lectionary for Grades 1-4 (Rm 212) and Grades 5-8 (Rm 215). This is designed to enrich the experience and understanding of our children in both worship and Sunday School.

Adult Education Class, Sundays, 9:00-9:45 am (nursery care is provided)

with Elder leaders Francine Maestri, Robert Mayer and Jim Wrightson



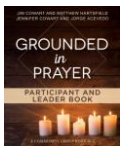
Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet

Retrace the life of Moses from his modest birth and rescue as a baby to the courts of Pharaoh, from herding flocks in Midian to leading his people out of Egypt. Join Adam Hamilton as he travels from Egypt to Mt. Sinai, the Nile, the Red Sea and the wilderness exploring the sites of Moses' life.

Using historical information, archaeological data, and biblical text, Hamilton guides us in the footsteps of this reluctant prophet who grew in his relationship with God and by the end of life had successfully fulfilled the role he was given. Turn your own reluctance into boldness as you examine the significant challenges facing Moses and how God shaped his character and life in powerful ways.

Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study begins September 27th from 9:30-11:00 am

(Child care will be provided. Sign up on the Connection Card.)



Grounded In Prayer: All women and their friends are invited to join in Grounded in Prayer a six week video discussion series of the Lord's Prayer. Prayer is a crucial way for us to experience God's grace. Jesus used The Lord's Prayer to teach all disciples about how to communicate with God. Christians also order their lives

around their relationships with each other, and these relationships are strengthened through personal and corporate prayer with God. The Lord's Prayer is a template for how to bring our needs, concerns, and challenges to God, who cares for each of us. Pastor Lynn, Elder Francine Maestri and class members will share rotational leadership in this study.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Our PCUSA national and international disaster relief program is **requesting monetary contributions for those hit so hard by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma.** The churches of National Capital Presbytery (NCP) have always responded generously in times of crisis and need. Please respond to this call! Our generosity and prayers are needed! PDA has been in touch with the presbyteries in the path of the hurricanes to offer assistance. They are standing by with resources and National Response Team members are ready to deploy upon invitation and when it is safe to do so.

To support PDA's emergency response and recovery efforts, **gifts may be designated to Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma in the memo line of your check made out to CPC.** These will be sent on to NCP, which is a designated receiving center and will immediately make them available to PDA.



CLIFTON DAY

CLIFTON DAY is October 8th. We are planning to serve crab cakes and operate the parking lot on Newman Road. The proceeds from the meals and parking will contribute to our mission funds for local and international projects.

Youth volunteers earn service hours for school!!

If you can help:

1. sign up on the Connection Card,
2. sign up in the Narthex, or
3. contact The Reimers

As in the past, and due to this all-day event, **we will not have worship, Junior Church, or Adult Christian Education** on October 8th. The Sanctuary will be open for prayer and meditation, for those interested.

Our regular schedule will resume on Sunday, October 15th.



LOOKING AHEAD... SAY CHEESE!...

Don't miss out on the chance to be a part of our 2017 Church Directory! Lifetouch will be photographing families on Sunday, October 1 from 11:30-6:00pm and on Monday, October 2 from 1:30-9:00pm.

Sign up for an appointment online:

<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y3sdc1nv/>

or contact Nikki Lehman for appointment help.

You will receive a directory and 8x10 photograph at no cost with the opportunity to purchase additional photos for family and friends in time for the holidays! Thanks in advance for your participation in this CPC memory preserving tradition.



Tweens/Teens September Service Project:

Come join Pastor Jodi for "Playground Duty" after worship **today September 17th!** Well not exactly....we will be getting the CPC Preschool Playground ready *for duty* as the school year begins. All you need is a pair of work/gardening gloves (extras will be available) and Pastor Jodi will provide the food! We will meet right after the service on the back porch and make sure our Preschool is playground ready!

TLC (THURSDAY LUNCH CLUB) will meet Thursday, September 28 @ noon.

We will have lunch at *Hamrocks* (formerly Choices by Shawn), 3950 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, 22030. The telephone number is 703.385.5433. Check out the menu! Also, if we have a large attendance they will seat us in "the back room".



TLC is for all women of the church for fellowship, while enjoying a delicious meal. Please come and join CPC women and friends as we start the new year. Please RSVP to Tricia Hedrick.

WFCM FOOD PANTRY KEY NEEDS



Would you please consider picking up some of these items and placing them in the red grocery cart for WFCM donations in the Narthex?

Pasta Sauce, Cold cereal, Oil,
Canned pasta, Pancake
Mix/Syrup, Canned fruit,
Canned chili, Coffee, Sugar,
Fruit Juice (individual size
appreciated),

Body wash, Shampoo, Baby
Wipes, and Diapers (sz. 4, 5, 6)

Thank you...

Thank you to
The Wrightsons and The Coyles
for their wonderful donation of
our new church sign out front!

The bright, clean sign provides
a warm welcome to our members
and visitors!



LAMB CENTER NEEDS

Needed:

Men's underwear, especially boxers
(new or used). If you can contribute,
please place in a bag marked "Lamb
Center" by the red WFCM grocery cart.



CPC CHOIR

Choir has resumed at
7:30 pm on Thursdays
in the Sanctuary.

New singers are always
welcome!

Please contact our
music director, John
Kim if you are
interested in joining:
musicdirector@cliftonpc.org

NEW ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCH:

You may have noticed some new equipment in
and around the church:

1. You will now find a defibrillator outside of the Sanctuary, hanging on the wall near the fire extinguisher. Please take note of its location in order to be prepared for an emergency. It is “user-friendly” and will guide you through how to use it if the need arises.



2. Three security cameras have been installed. In our ever increasing vigilance in keeping our church and preschool safe, we have installed these cameras to provide necessary footage if ever a crime or emergency occurs.



PRESCHOOL:

REGISTER AT OUR AWARD WINNING PRESCHOOL!

We continue to accept applications for the 2017-18 school year. We have openings in our 3-year old class. (9am-noon). “Extended care” until 3:30 pm is available, as well as “After care” until 5:00 pm.

Contact the preschool at 703-830-3175 or preschool@cliftonpc.org

Please share this information with friends and neighbors!



Fall Church Office Hours

- Gretchen will be in the office Monday-Friday, 8:30 am—1:00 pm.
- Also, a new preschool staff member, Jayme Longerbeam, will be working in the office several afternoons each week and will be happy to take messages and /or answer questions as well. Happy September!

UPCOMING SPECIAL MINISTRY OFFERINGS:

Join Pastor Lynn, Pastor Jodi and special guests on October 1st and 15th, as we connect Life and Faith with our Worship message.

Sunday, October 1: World Communion and the plight of refugees



with Pastor Lynn and Esther Gayfield a volunteer from Virginia working with the Christian Life Center in Beirut, Lebanon run by Mutual Faith-Lebanon that is courageously helping Syrian refugees - some of the most vulnerable people in the Middle East today. She's deeply dedicated, and the church is doing good work focused on children.

Sunday, October 15: Spirituality and Nature



with Beth Norcross, Director of the Center for Spirituality in Nature (<http://www.centerforspiritualityinnature.org/>) and adjunct faculty at Wesley Seminary will preach and share in conversation at the Cup of Fellowship. Then from 1-3 pm, Beth will lead an afternoon for adults of spiritual reflection in nature at one of our local Clifton parks titled: *Going Deeper: Spirituality in Autumn*. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite a friend, family member, colleague or neighbor to church and the walk or the walk alone. For a more detailed description and to register for the walk please go online to:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/going-deeper-spirituality-in-autumn-tickets-37385745772>