WITNESS

telling our stories, offering expressions of faith, being Christ-like {Together}

NEXT SATURDAY, let's team up to cleanup. February 23, 9:30 to 11:00, N. Allen to N. Meadow: if you wish to participate, tell Rachel ahead of time so that we can plan for the number and ages of participants.

Boulevard United Methodist Church on Broad



"Let your religion be less of a theory and more of a love affair."

- G.K. Chesterton

February 17, 2019

boulevardumc@gmail.com PO Box 14507 Richmond, VA 23221 (804) 840-1921 5th Sunday after the Epiphany 4:00 pm at 1837 W Broad St.

Greeting Rev. Drew Willson

Opening Words

It is good.

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To be in a house of the Lord.

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One more time.

One more time.

Hymn Like a Tree beside the Waters

Time with Children Rev. Rachel May

Prayer

Interlude

Psalter Psalm I, Response 2 738

Teach us your ways, God of Wisdom, for you are righteous and just.

Plant your Word in our hearts, water it from the streams of your everflowing mercy, that it may bloom and produce in us the fruit that is a blessing to you and pleasing in your sight. **Amen.**

Scripture Luke 6:17-26

Music

Sermon "Spark The Kingdom of God" Rev. Katie Gooch

Hymn Lord, I Want to Be a Christian 402

Offering

Prayer

The Lord's Supper

Hymn

Benediction

Like a Tree beside the Waters

Words: James Martin || Tune: Hyfrydol

Like a tree beside the waters, nurtured by your loving care. We, O God, your sons and daughters, your enduring witness bear. In each passing generation may your voice of love be heard. Bless, we pray, this congregation with your holy, living Word.

Like a tree beside the river drawing life from holy streams, Fill us with your love forever; recreate our hopes and dreams. Through the storms of life sustain us by the wisdom of your grace. May the changing of the seasons find us in your warm embrace.

We beside the living waters, drink from your eternal life. Give to all, your sons and daughters, faith that rises over strife. O living God, most glorious, strengthen us for life today. By the hope of timeless promise guide your church upon the Way.

NURTURE

caring for one another and for our growth as disciples {Inward}

WE ARE PRAYING for Grayson Foy, Nancy Tate, Bishop Sharma Lewis, Tammy Estep & David Outten, Jim & his family, and Nancy Tate. Wish to add or restore a name? Say so via the offering plate or the church's e-mail address.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH for infants - 5 year olds begins after the children's moment (approximately 4:15). They rejoin us for Communion. Our childcare provider is currently employed by Grace Covenant Child Development Center.

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Luke 6:17-26 (CEB)

¹⁷ Jesus came down from the mountain with them and stood on a large area of level ground. A great company of his disciples and a huge crowd of people from all around Judea and Jerusalem and the area around Tyre and Sidon joined him there. ¹⁸ They came to hear him and to be healed from their diseases, and those bothered by unclean spirits were healed. ¹⁹ The whole crowd wanted to touch him, because power was going out from him and he was healing everyone.

²⁰ Jesus raised his eyes to his disciples and said:

"Happy are you who are poor, because God's kingdom is yours. ²¹ Happy are you who hunger now, because you will be satisfied. Happy are you who weep now, because you will laugh.

²² Happy are you when people hate you, reject you, insult you, and condemn your name as evil because of the Human One. ²³ Rejoice when that happens! Leap for joy because you have a great reward in heaven. Their ancestors did the same things to the prophets.

²⁴ But how terrible for you who are rich, because you have already received your comfort.

²⁵ How terrible for you who have plenty now, because you will be hungry. How terrible for you who laugh now,

because you will mourn and weep.

26 How terrible for you when all speak well of you.

Their ancestors did the same things to the false prophets.