

This Week!



June	29	9:30 am Traditional Worship, 11:00 am Contemporary Worship 10:30 am Senior Boomwhacker's, Rm 230 11:00 am Youth Impact, Kari's Cove 11:00 am Adult Bible Class, Rm 240 12:00 pm Youth Worship Team, Sanctuary
July	2	2:30 pm Game Time Wednesday, Room 230 5:30 pm Senior Singers, Choir Suite 7:00 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary
	3	6:00 pm Contemporary Worship Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	4	OFFICE CLOSED in observance of Independence Day
	6	FAMILY WORSHIP, 9:30 am Traditional, 11:00 am Contemporary

WELCOME! If you are visiting with us this morning, we are glad you are here! Please scan the QR code to register with our church. After worship stop by our Welcome Desk for a special gift and to learn more about our church.

SENIOR SINGERS & SENIOR BOOMWHACKERS! Sunday rehearsals for Boomwhackers, 10:30 am, Senior Adult Choir rehearsals, Wednesday, 5:30 pm—Join in and have some fun!

KIDS SING REHEARSALS FOR VBS: June 29, July 6 & July 13 at 10:30 am, ALL KIDS welcome to come and learn the music for VBS. Lots of fun!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE JULY 11: The Red Cross is holding a blood drive from 12:00-pm—5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Use the QR code to register or use the Red Cross website.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JULY 13: For the purpose of approving revisions in the church's by-laws. The meeting will take place immediately following the 9:30 worship service.

VBS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! VBS is July 14-15, 5:30 pm—8:00 pm, YEE-HAW, Celebrating God's Greatest Gift. Use the QR code to register. VOLUNTEERS also needed. Use the QR code to be a helper!

ONLINE GIVING PROVIDER CHANGE! Online giving has changed from the Vanco platform to SERVANT KEEPER. Access the new system on our website by clicking ONLINE GIVING. You will need to cancel your Vanco recurring contribution. Contact Bob Jennings for help: bob-jennings@gbpres.org

Check our website for updates: <https://www.gbpres.org>

Thank you for joining us for worship today. There's a place for you here!
Great Bridge Presbyterian Church, 333 Cedar Road, Chesapeake, VA (757)547-4706

"Sharing Christ's love, equipping God's people"
Founded 1964



Great Bridge Presbyterian Church

June 29, 2025, 9:30 am

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

**Please stand in body or in spirit as you are able.*

*Congregation reads **bold print**.*

Prelude This Is My Father's World

Robert A. Hobby

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Margaret Gay, Liturgist

Jesus said, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people."

Lord, help us follow where you lead.

Jesus said, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

Lord, help us put you first and follow you.

Jesus said, "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also."

Lord, help us follow you that we may serve you.

The peace of Christ be with all of you.

And also with you. Let us worship God.

***Hymn of Praise** No. 41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

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*Call to Confession

Margaret Gay, Liturgist

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need, first in silent prayer.

*Silent Confession

Prayer of confession Margaret Gay, Liturgist
Eternal God, you claimed us as your own in our baptisms and called us to be your covenant people. We confess we do not live as people created in your image, nor do we lead lives worthy of the calling to which we have been called. Jesus still calls, “Follow me” and we offer excuses because we can’t do that. Jesus calls us to new life in the Spirit, and we cling to our old habits and tired traditions. Gracious God, forgive our sins. Open our ears and hearts to hear Jesus’s call and give us grace and strength to respond in faith and love. In Jesus’s name we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness (Titus 3:4-7) Rev. Dr. Robert Gustafson
When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, God saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to God’s mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

***In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

***Response** I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me African-American Spiritual
I’m so glad, Jesus lifted me. I’m so glad, Jesus lifted me,
I’m so glad Jesus lifted me, singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.
I’m so glad, Jesus died for me. I’m so glad, Jesus died for me,
I’m so glad Jesus died for me, singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus died for me!

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Passing the Peace

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory Meditation on Now Thank We All Our God Robert A. Hobby

***Doxology** No. 609 LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low: Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator; Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

***Prayer of Dedication** (Congregation will be seated following the prayer.)

Scripture Psalm 23, KJV Margaret Gay, Liturgist

Anthem Peace Like a River Joel Raney
Note: The choir will exit the chancel to sit in the congregation following the anthem.

Scripture Luke 10:25-37 NT, pgs. 71-72 Rev. Dr. Robert Gustafson

Sermon “Lessons from the Forgotten Sermon“ Rev. Dr. Robert Gustafson

Closing Hymn No. 203 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love CHEREPONI

Charge and Benediction

Postlude Postlude on HANOVER Robert A. Hobby

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*THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPING WITH US TODAY!*  
*There’s a Place for you here!*

*Worship and Music notes:*

**Peace Like a River** is a traditional spiritual that has been arranged by Joel Raney. Mr. Raney serves as editor of Hope Publishing and earned a masters degree in piano performance at The Juillard School. He has a gift for arranging and has composed numerous choral anthems, musicals and cantatas, handbell compositions, piano solos and instrumental works. Mr. Raney is a sought-after choral and keyboard clinician. He once remarked that he wanted to include AMAZING GRACE in as many compositions as he possibly could. You will hear it in this jazzy arrangement.

We welcome **Rev. Dr. Robert Gustafson** as our guest minister while Pastor Donna is in Scotland for her son’s graduation from St. Andrews. Dr. Gustafson received his doctorate from Princeton Theological Seminary, and has a great interest in Dead Sea Scroll research. He has served parishes in the PCUSA and in the United Church of Christ in Massachusetts, Delaware, Maine and Virginia. Dr. Gustafson has also served as a Hospice Chaplain and has taught and done research in various hospice settings both here and in England, Scotland and Ireland. He served as Professor of Sociology and Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Studies at Bangor Theological Seminary prior to moving to Williamsburg.