



**SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2026**

**9AM & 11AM  
MORNING PRAYER**

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“According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again  
to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead”

(1 Peter 1:3)

# Welcome From the Rector

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Welcome! We're so glad you've joined us this morning!

Whether you're a long-time follower of Jesus or just curious about Christian faith, you're most welcome here at The Falls Church Anglican. We gather on Sundays to worship Jesus Christ through song, prayer, readings from Holy Scripture, preaching, and the Sacraments. As Anglicans, our worship is shaped by ancient liturgies—together we pray treasured old prayers and recite ancient creeds—all drawn from the Book of Common Prayer. Everything you need to know for our service is in this bulletin or will be projected on the screens up front, such as song lyrics, corporate prayers, and readings.

If you'd like to know more about us, please stop by our Connections Center in the lower lobby. We have a gift and information about our church we'd love to send you home with, and you can fill out a card there so we can follow up.

In Christ,



The Rev. Dr. Samuel D. Ferguson  
Rector

## Our Pillars

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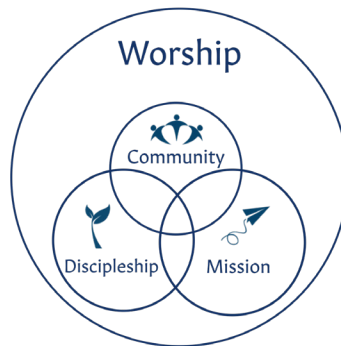
We pray and work so that our Church is marked by four pillars. These are features and qualities that, when happening together, help us live into the calling to be a biblical and God-honoring local church.

**Worship:** *we glorify God.*

**Community:** *we gather in the name of Christ.*

**Discipleship:** *we grow more like Christ.*

**Mission:** *we go for Christ.*



# TFCA Ministry Highlight: Featuring the Fellows Program

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Would you like to invest in the next generation and grow your own faith in the process? Consider joining a great team of volunteers who support the TFCA Fellows.

The Fellows Program was founded at our church 32 years ago and has produced much fruit. More than 300 young adults have completed the nine-month leadership program, which seeks to teach them to be faithful and fruitful Christians wherever God calls them to serve. Many alumni testify to the program's transformative power.

*"Fellows provided the space and structure I needed to think through God's calling on my life. I also saw how different parts of the church body—from host families to mentors to employers to clergy to youth family and many others—work together to build up of the body and the life of the world around us."*

— Caleb Liebengood, Class of 2024

TFCA Fellows gain professional experience through paid internships, take graduate-level coursework in theology and culture, and serve in our youth ministry, where they disciple middle schoolers and teenagers. Each Fellow lives with a host family and receives personal mentoring for both spiritual and career development.

✦ **The Fellows' success is owed largely to the involvement of TFCA parishioners who open their homes, hearts, and lives to these emerging leaders.** ✦

If you're interested in learning more about serving as a host family, mentor, or employer, please **join us for an informational lunch on Sunday, April 26, at 12:30.**

We'll answer your questions and hear from parishioners with firsthand experience in each role.

Scan QR code to register:

*You can also visit the table downstairs in the Lower Narthex to learn more!*



# MORNING PRAYER • April 12, 2026

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## INVITATION TO WORSHIP

### SONGS OF PRAISE

“Alleluia Alleluia” (9AM)

“Christ Our Hope In Life and Death” | “In Christ Alone” (11AM)

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

***Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

### SONGS OF PRAISE

“Living Hope” (9AM)

“His Mercy Is More” | “How Deep the Father’s Love For Us” (11AM)

## THE WORD OF GOD

(9AM) Psalm

(9AM & 11AM) (Pew Bible Page #)

## CREEDS AND PRAYERS

### THE APOSTLES CREED

***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.***

### THE LORD’S PRAYER

A “collect” is a short prayer. Here we are asking God to prepare our hearts to worship him.

We read from different passages from the Bible because it is one, coherent story, desiring to hear God speak to us through his Word.

We join Christians around the world and throughout history in affirming our faith through this ancient creed.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: *Lord, in your mercy,*  
People: **Hear our prayer.**

## THE PEACE

## PARISH UPDATES

*Children to Sunday School*

## OFFERTORY

"All Creatures of Our God and King" | Doxology (9AM)  
"Thy Mercy, My God" | Doxology (11AM)

## THE PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

Sermon Lesson: 1 Peter 1:3-9 (*Pew Bible, page 1014*)  
Sermon

## BLESSING & COMMISSION

"O Praise the Name (Anástasis)" (11AM)  
Blessing  
"Thine Be the Glory" (9AM)  
Commission

*We pray silently and aloud for those in need in our church, nation, and world, and give thanks for the many blessings of this life.*

*The offering of our resources to God is a tangible expression of His ownership of all things.*

*We listen to the teaching of God's Word to illustrate, explain, and exhort us into deeper understanding of the Gospel.*

*With God's blessing, we are sent into the World to do the work He has given us to do.*

## Today's Scripture Lesson: 1 Peter 1:3-9

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### *Born Again to a Living Hope*

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup> obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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# Upcoming Events & Classes

Visit [tfcanglican.org/upcoming-events](https://tfcanglican.org/upcoming-events) for a full list

## WEEKLY EVENTS & CLASSES

Evening Prayer (Daily M-F) - 5PM  
Tuesday Men's Zoom Fellowship - 7AM  
Tuesday Prayer for Revival and Evangelism - 6PM  
Wednesday Senior Adults Bible Study - 10AM  
Saturday Intercessory Prayer - 8:45AM  
Sunday Evening Youth Group - 5-7PM

## EVENTS & CLASSES CAN BE FOUND AT [TFCANGLICAN.ORG/UPCOMING-EVENTS](https://tfcanglican.org/upcoming-events)



### 2026 MEN'S RETREAT: RESILIENT REVIVAL

**From Thorns and Thistles to Branches on the Vine**  
**May 22-24 | Canaan Valley Resort, West Virginia**  
**Registration Opens Today!**

Join us for our TFCA Men's Retreat 2026 as Pastor John Frederick leads us through biblical reflections and breakouts focused on battling the thorns of sin and abiding in the nourishment of the vine for victory and resilience in Christ.

Jesus calls all people to follow him, and disciples are those who respond to his call in faith. The beginning of our walk with the Lord usually comes with limitless energy and endless enthusiasm. Yet, as we continue walking with Jesus through the increasingly complex and unpredictable seasons of life, we often find that our initial passion has ebbed, waned, or even dried up. Into this struggle comes a savior; Jesus Christ whose presence and Spirit empower us for a personal spiritual revival in our inmost being.

### SPRINGTIME RETREAT FOR SENIORS

**May 12-14 | Priest Field Pastoral Center,**  
**Kearneysville, WV | Speaker Dr. Joel Woodruff:**  
**Leaving a Spiritual Legacy for the Next Generation**  
Register online at [tfcanglican.org/seniors](https://tfcanglican.org/seniors)

## BASIC CHRISTIANITY

**Sundays, April 19-June 14 | 9-10:30 a.m. | Learning Center, Room 108**

Basic Christianity is an eight-week study based on best-selling author John Stott's clear and thoughtful exploration of the heart of the Christian faith.

Together, we will ask life-shaping questions: Who is Jesus? Why did He come? And what does it truly mean to follow Him? Whether you are exploring Christianity for the first time, returning to questions you've carried for years, or desiring greater assurance of your salvation, this study offers a welcoming place to ask honest questions and explore the faith at your own pace. All are welcome, and questions are encouraged.

## TECHNOLOGY, ATTENTION, & RELATIONSHIPS WITH JUSTIN WHITMEL EARLEY

**Sunday, April 19 | 5:15-7:15 p.m. | Sanctuary**

*How is your use of technology shaping your life?*

Join us on April 19 at 5:15 pm, for the final event of this series featuring Justin Whitmel Earley as we explore how our habits with phones, screens, and constant connectivity are forming our attention, our relationships, and our desires.

This night is about moving toward that kind of life. Not by eliminating technology or adding pressure, but by learning how to live with greater presence, clarity, and intention in a distracted world.

This evening is for:

- Anyone who feels stretched, distracted, or overwhelmed-
- Professionals living in constant digital demand
- Parents and grandparents navigating screens in the home

We welcome all in our community to attend this special event including Q&A, with book signing and fellowship afterward. Please register online at [tfcanglican.org](https://tfcanglican.org).