

Introductions

Bill and Doris Diggs were born and raised in Hampton, and both graduated from Hampton High School. They lived in Hampton and moved to Yorktown five years ago and live at the The Villas of Yorktown. Bill is retired from Dixie Diggs Auto Parts and Doris worked part time as the office manager at Hampton Stationery. Bill enjoys working with Mark Wertz's Racing Team that races at Langley Speedway and other tracks in NC and VA. Doris enjoys card making, and was an alto in the church choir at First United Methodist Church in Hampton. They have one daughter who lives in Newport News, 2 grandsons and 6 great grandchildren.

Mike and Vennie Lulofs

Mike - Born and raised in a small Michigan town (Muskegon), I relocated to Virginia in 1975 due to my father's work transfer. I met my wonderful wife (of 41 years) Vennie while attending Christopher Newport College and graduated from there in 1979 with a degree in Business. My career since that time has been in the field of Human Resources. I have worked for several local organizations (Riverside Hospital, Howmet Corporation and Newport News Public Schools) and am currently with Sumitomo Machinery Corp. of America in Chesapeake, where I have been employed for 18 years. I love music and have sung in church choirs since I was a kid. I enjoy most sports, particularly baseball (go Nats!), as well as home improvement and landscaping projects. I'm excited to join the Crooks church family and look forward to getting to know you!

Vennie - By way of a brief introduction I've lived in Virginia a little over 50 years, having been raised in Hawaii. I really enjoy cooking, and by extension, eating! My super power is organization. I love to straighten out, tidy up and sort out. Please don't confuse this with house cleaning :->) I also enjoy planning events, reading and spending time with Mike in our beautiful new cottage! I'm looking forward to making new friends and being a part of the Crooks church family.



Crooks Memorial United Methodist Church

June 13, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to Worship

Cell phone and electronic devices: Please set to silence.

Connection Card: Helps us know you are here and helps you engage. Please complete and place it in the offering plate.

Hard of hearing or sight: Large print hymnals and listening devices are available from an usher.

We record worship: As a ministry to those unable to be present, our worship service is livestreamed, recorded and posted to our website and social media sites.

Bold print indicates a congregational/unison reading.

Prelude Phillip Higgins

Welcome Rev. Lisa Barbery

Call to Worship

God is in our midst, forming us to be God's own people.

Though the way may be difficult, God will be with us.

We need not fear.

In the Lord we will take our refuge, for God is our strength.

Come to the Lord who will surround you with God's own righteousness.

Lord, open our hearts and our spirits so that we may faithfully follow you.

Hymn "Shout to the Lord" TFWS 2074

Recognition and Prayer for Graduates

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Receiving of New Members

Members of the household of God, I commend Doris, Bill, Vennie, and Mike to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Special Music "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"
(arranged by Mark Hayes)

Scripture 1 Peter 2:2-10 Susan Johnson
(Pew Bible N.T. 219)
The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Message

Discipleship Moment Laura Whitefleet-Smith

Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" UMH 451

Benediction

Postlude "There's Within My Heart a Melody"
(arranged by Phillip Higgins)

Ushers/Greeters: Gail and Chuck Eldred

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Our Mission:
To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the
transformation of the world.
Our Vision:
Making Space for God and Others
Our Values:
Worship † Faith † Family † Hospitality