

July 5, 2026



Greetings to the Huguenot Church Family and Friends,

My name is Pastor Denise Watkins and I am looking forward to serving you as your Pastor and getting to know you. Here is a short introduction to me so you can begin to know me.

I am a second career minister after receiving a call to the ministry in December of 2004 at Woodlake United Methodist Church. Mike and I joined the Woodlake United Methodist Church in 1988, when it was a Church Plant that met in the local elementary school. We served that Church in many ways: teaching, serving on Committees and special teams. Then I went to Union Presbyterian Seminary for a Master's of Divinity degree and graduated in May 2010.

I have served sixteen years in the ministry field. First, I served as a Christian Education leader for Salisbury Presbyterian and Woodlake UMC churches.

Then for the last thirteen years, I have been blessed to serve as Lead Pastor for several small churches around the Richmond and Crewe areas. Huguenot UMC will be my seventh church.



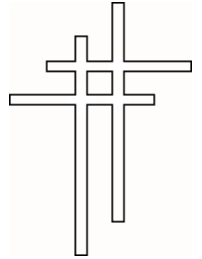
My husband, Mike Watkins, and I have been married for 39 years. Mike works for the Chesterfield County Public Schools as a Career Experience Consultant for the Work Based Learning Program, after working more than thirty years in the hospitality field. We are blessed with three adult children and two precious grandchildren.

I'm so looking forward to getting to know you and hearing your story.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Denise Watkins

Please Celebrate Sunday's Message

Huguenot United Methodist Church is inviting you to our Sunday Morning Worship Service. This in-person service begins at 11 a.m. Please join us and take part in our worship and praise of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!



Sunday, July 5
Pastor Denise Watkins,
will provide us with the message
"The Light Yoke"

We hope you will join us!

HUMC Nursery

Our nursery caregiver, Rosalie Koch, is at church every Sunday and ready to welcome children in the nursery during worship from 10:45 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. ***A nursery assistant is needed this Sunday. Please consider volunteering. Note: The nursery is in need of plastic grocery bags. Thank you!***



Can't Attend the HUMC Worship In-Person?

We encourage and invite you to attend the Huguenot UMC Worship Services in person every Sunday morning at 11 a.m. ET, to worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to be a part of our fellowship of believers. However, if you cannot attend, you are invited to participate in the worship services by joining us at [Facebook.com/HuguenotUMC](https://www.facebook.com/HuguenotUMC).

The Order of Worship/bulletin for each Sunday can be found at [HuguenotUMC.org](https://www.HuguenotUMC.org). If you would like to receive an email containing the weekly bulletin and our weekly newsletter, The Pulse, please send your request, including your email address, to HuguenotUMC@gmail.com. We would love to have you as part of our Huguenot UMC Community.

Please Join US

Coffee Fellowship: THIS Sunday, July 5

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after our 11 o'clock worship service, for our **Coffee Fellowship on Sunday, July 5**, for coffee, some light snacks and great conversations. We invite our visitors to join us for coffee fellowship, so we can answer their questions about HUMC and we can get to know them better. *Thank you to Elma and Claude Cooper for hosting us this month!*

Please check the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for 2026 to be a future host/hosts for the monthly **Coffee Fellowship** gatherings.



United
Women
in Faith

In June the **United Women in Faith** celebrated our birthdays with a special luncheon. Our next meeting will be held at Dolce Vita Italian Restaurant on Tues., July 14, at noon. *All women of the church are invited to join us for this special time of fellowship.*

Name Tags

Please let Elaine know if you do not have a name tag on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary. *Thank you!*



Joy of Crafts

The Joy of Crafts ministry continues on in the Richmond area, providing comfort items for nursing homes, hospitals, shelters and cancer treatment centers through the From the Heart organization. Everything from neck pillows, port shirts and lap blankets to dialysis mitts, drain bags, sleep caps and fidget mats for Alzheimer's patients are hand made by an army of volunteer sewists and knitters and crocheters. If you would like to participate or support the ministry, contact Molly Sprouse at mollysprouse@gmail.com.



Our Blessing Box gets lots of use by those in need in our community. Your donation of non-perishable food items is very much appreciated by those in need. Please keep in mind the warmer temperatures as we head into summer as you make your food choices. As we work together, keeping our Blessing Box well supplied can be an easy task. If all of us can donate a few items on a regular basis, we can do our part to reduce hunger in our community.

Let's do it! Thank you!



Happy Birthday to
Brantley Beasley (July 6)
LaVerne Jones (July 9)

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please call, leave a note or send an email to Elaine so she can include you!



John S. Currie
Peggy Harris
Jack Hobbs-Myers
Chad Jarvis
Judy King
Anna Nabors
Jon Smith
Linda Smith
The Family of Pastor Jim Sprouse
Judith Westerhouse

In an effort to keep the prayer requests current, names posted will be removed after 30 days unless requested otherwise.



Sunday, July 5
 11 a.m...Worship
 12 p.m...Coffee Fellowship following worship (FH)
All Invited! Thank you to Elma and Claude Cooper for hosting us this month!

Friday, July 10
 10 a.m...Feed the Homeless (K/FH)

Sunday, July 12
 11 a.m...Worship

CR – Choir Room **FH** – Fellowship Hall
K – Kitchen **L** – Library **PR** – Puppet Room

THE UPPER ROOM
 DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
Where the World Meets to Pray

New edition available!

Copies of the **July and August** edition of The Upper Room are now available on the greeting table at the front entrance. Please consider making a donation in the labeled box.



- Tues., July 14 – United Women in Faith at 12 noon (Dolce Vita Italian Restaurant) *All are invited!*

Newsletter News

If you have an article for the next *pulse* newsletter, please email it to Elaine by **Wednesday at 10 a.m.**

Please know that submitted articles may be edited to provide clarity and increased inclusion. This newsletter and the Sunday Bulletin are posted on the church website by Friday evening.

Church Office Hours:

Pastor's Office Hours: Wednesdays 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (beginning on Wednesday, July 8) Hours are subject to change due to outside meetings and appointments.

Elaine is in the office every Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. These hours are subject to change on occasion.

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