

Historic White Marsh Church

August 3, 2025

Prelude Marjorie Lampkin - Pianist

Opening Prayer

Hymn ~ 630 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn ~ 548 As the Deer

Prayer

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 18:1-5, 20:1-4, 16-17 Pat Larsen

Kids Talk Jean Bryan

Sermon: "The Power of Godly Friendship and Loyalty" Pastor Brad

Hymn ~ 702 Fill My Cup, Lord

Communion

Hymn ~ 232 God Be With You

Benediction & Postlude

Announcements:

Visitors: Welcome to our church! Please fill out the visitor card located at your pew and then give it to Pastor Brad or place it in the offering box.

Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 12, at 1:00 p.m.

Friendship Fellowship on Sunday, August 17, following the service. Please sign up to bring a dish.

Would you like to receive text messages from the church for information and special announcements? Please scan the QR code (see insert) to give permission.

Tithes & Offerings: Please use the wooden **offering box** or *mail your offering to: PO Box 24, Lancaster, VA 22503. Thank you!*

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Sundays 9:15-9:30 AM

The Power of Godly Friendship and Loyalty

1. *Covenant Friendship is Rooted in Spiritual Connection* - Do you have people in your life who are knit to your soul? Are you building relationships based on God's purposes—or just convenience?
2. *Godly (Covenant) Friendship Stands Strong in Times of Crisis* - Are you the kind of friend who stands with others in their valleys? Do you surround yourself with people who stand by you in times of need?
3. *Covenant Friendship Involves Honest Conversation* - Do you allow space for honest conversations in your friendships? Can you speak truth in love—and receive it in return?
4. *Covenant Friendship Requires Loyalty Over Convenience* - Are you the kind of friend who remains loyal even when it costs you something?
5. *Covenant Friendship Makes Room for Emotion and Support* - Are you emotionally present in your friendships? Can you be honest about what you feel?
6. *Covenant Friendship Leaves a Legacy* - The investment you make in godly friendships today can echo for generations.
7. *Jesus: The Fulfillment of Covenant Friendship* - Jesus doesn't just call us servants—He calls us friends and invites us to walk in that same kind of friendship with others.

Study Questions:

1. How did Jonathan treat David? Why might he have treated David like this? (1 Samuel 18:1-4)
2. How does the covenant between Jonathan and David reflect their faith and commitment to each other?
3. How does Jonathan show covenant faithfulness to David?
4. How does Jonathan balance his loyalty towards his father and his friendship with David? How can we apply this in situations where we have conflicting loyalties?
5. Jonathan puts his reputation on the line for David. Have you ever done this for a friend? For Christ? What was the outcome?

Historic White Marsh Church is an independent, Bible-believing, teaching, and Christ-loving Church. We are made up of Christians from diverse backgrounds who are all going to heaven because of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Sunday: Bible Explorers at 9:45 AM & Worship at 11:00 AM
Wednesday Bible Study: 6:00 PM