BON AIR CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

MAY 2019 NEWSLETTER

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WORSHIP WITH US:

Sunday 8:45 & 11:00 a.m

Beginning Memorial Day Weekend Worship will be at 9:15 and 10:45

Saturday Casual Worship Service 5:00 p.m.

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

All are welcome!

So will I

The beautiful Easter music is uplifting. The choir and soloists work hard on a lot of music to give glory to God and they make our worship so very special. I always look forward to Lord of the Dance and My Master from a Garden Rose. This year Traci and Vickie sang a song that was new to us. It was written by Joel Houston Benjamin Hastings & Michael Fatkin. Here is a portion of it. It eloquently speaks the Easter message. May the New Life in Christ blossom forth in you as we affirm, "so will I".



...And if the stars were made to worship so will I
If the mountains bow in reverence so will I
If the oceans roar Your greatness so will I
For if everything exists to lift You high so will I
If the wind goes where You send it so will I
If the rocks cry out in silence so will I
If the sum of all our praises still falls shy
Then we'll sing again a hundred billion times

God of salvation
You chased down my heart
Through all of my failure and pride
On a hill You created
The light of the world
Abandoned in darkness to die
And as You speak
A hundred billion failures disappear
Where You lost Your life so I could find it here
If You left the grave behind You, so will I

I can see Your heart in everything you've done
Every part designed in a work of art called love
If You gladly chose surrender so will I
I can see your heart
Eight billion different ways
Every precious one
A child You died to save
If You gave Your life to love them, so will I



What a beautiful Easter morning it was at Bon Air Christian Church!















YOUTH GROUP DATES TO COME

Saturday, April 27th Shalom Farms, 9 a.m. - Noon

Saturday, May 11th Victorian Day Bake Sale, 10:30a - 2:30p

May 18th/19th Year End Youth Group Party -- details to come!

May 24th - 26th Craig Springs Work Weekend*

(*please let Kendra know if you are interested in attending work weekend at Craig Springs)

CRAIG SPRINGS SUMMER CAMP

June 24 - 28
June 30 - July 5
Special Camp
July 8 - 13
AMPDD Camp
First Triple
Second Triple
August 4 - 9
August 9 - 12

Nature Camp
Special Camp
AMPDD Camp
First Triple
Second Triple
New Covenant
Family Retreat

Early Bird registration due by May 15th

All registration forms can be found in the church office. The church will pay half of the camp fee.

Make your check for the other half to: "Christian Church in Virginia.

Remember to include a copy of your insurance card.



2019 YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP TO CHRISTMOUNT JULY 7TH - 12TH

Youth Mission Camp in partnership with Asheville Youth Missions (High school/middle school ages)

July 7-12, 2019

Christmount has joined with Asheville Youth Mission (AYM) to provide an amazing mission experience that includes work, programming, and play. Our mission projects are planned and led each day by AYM staff, with our evenings free for our group to debrief their daily experiences and create memorable moments through team-building activities, fun, and games.



Program:

Monday – Wednesday: We will help individuals and organizations in the Black Mountain/East Buncombe County area under the supervision of Asheville Youth Mission.

Thursday: projects at Christmount in the morning, then off for lunch and sight-seeing until supper Free time activities: swimming, hiking, sightseeing along the Blue Ridge Parkway, seeing waterfalls, rafting, tubing, kayaking, Asheville Fun Depot, shopping, and more.

Evenings: program, recreation, and worship led by group leaders

Lodging: Cabins Meals: Dining Hall

Camp begins: Sunday, 7:00 pm Camp ends: Friday, 9:30 am

The Youth Group is actively fundraising for this Mission Trip. If you have not signed up, please contact Kendra Ver Beek. \$50 deposit and a permission slip is due now.

Final total per participant will depend on fundraising efforts.

Special Recognition



May 12th
Wishing all the special mothers
and mothers to be, a day filled
with much happiness, joy and
love!



Thank you to our Mentors!
Thank you Allison Landergan, Ellen
Moon, Robin Blanchard and Pete
Landergan for helping Cassidy Metcalf,
Audrey Duke, Shepard and Cadence
Mooney prepare for their baptisms.











Getting to know our newest members ...

Cadence Mooney

Cadence Lynn was born June 17th, 2009 and has 2 brothers-twin brother Shepard and older brother Braxton. She recently moved to Williamsburg, Va and is a 4th Grader at D.J. Montague Elementary school. She enjoys reading, cheerleading, playing baseball, and listening to Taylor Swift. She also loves to create beautiful arts and crafts, spending time with her family, playing with the family dog Dixie and baking. She could see herself being a teacher or a Chef when she grows up.

Shepard Mooney

Shepard Lee was also born on June 17th, 2009 with his twin sister Cadence and has an older brother Braxton. Shepard enjoys reading, excels in science, and learning about the great History that surrounds him in Williamsburg where he also attends D.J. Montague Elementary School. Like his sister, Shepard loves his dog Dixie, playing baseball, and playing the occasional video game. He wants to work with computers when he grows up, and even possibly being a video game programmer.

Audrey & Katie Duke

Audrey is in 4th grade at Providence Elementary School, she has 1 sister and 1 on the way. She enjoys acting and singing. We have 2 dogs and 1 cat.

Katie grew up in Powhatan, is a nanny, and enjoys playing softball, hiking, and camping.

Cassidy Metcalf

Cassidy loves to be outdoors. Her favorite things to do are swimming in the bay, tubing, jet skiing, riding her bike, playing with friends. Her favorite music is Taylor swift and she loves Harry Potter and the Disney tv show, Bunk'd.

Ellen Moon

Shep and Ellen were married in the church 29 years ago. They became members about 6 months later. Ellen has 3 sons (Christopher, Nathan & Zachary), a daughter (Hannah), a daughter-in-law (Katie) and 2 granddaughters (Audrey & Arya) with a 3rd granddaughter due in June.

She loves to read, watch good movies, walk her dog Abbey, take vacations by the beach and spend time with her family and friends.



BACC SHOE DRIVE

Donate new or used tennis shoes for boys and girls ages 9 to 11.









All donations will go to campers at Craig Springs Nature Camp: a free week-long camp experience for children with financial struggles or difficult family situations.

Please bring any donations to the designated box outside of the fellowship hall.

"Typical sizes" for this age are:

Girls: sizes 4, 5, 6 Boys: sizes 6, 7, 8

However please don't hesitate to bring larger sizes, all shoes will find a good home.

If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make all checks out to Bon Air Christian Church, Memo: Shoe Drive.

Contact Allison Landergan or Jake Ver Beek for more information

CARITAS

BACC will host the CARITAS women's program from **September 21st - 28th** so please mark your calendars!

Many of you know that CARITAS is changing its service approach. Rather than moving clients from church to church each week a central facility is under development.

The men's program has already transitioned to a single site. The family program is in the the process of transitioning this spring and summer. However, since the entire project will not be completed until sometime in 2020 congregations are still needed to host the women's program. They expect it too will transition to the new facility sometime in 2020.

We will need many hands to provide the help and support to care for 30 homeless women that week in September.

Additional information on volunteer opportunities will be coming out in June.



Fellowship & Service Groups

CWF - CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Because of my travels, I was unable to attend any of the April CWF meetings. And I'm leaving again to go to the beach with the Thursday night CWF. Been looking forward to this. I love the sound of the ocean. Each CWF will meet in May for the last meetings of the school year.

The Thursday night group will be meeting at Kitten Whitlow's home at **7:00 pm on Thursday, May 2nd**. We'll meet for dinner at Wood and Iron in the Belgrade shopping center on Huguenot Road at 5:00 pm.

The Day CWF group will meet on **Tuesday, May 14th at 10:30 am** in the multi-purpose room at Church.

The Salad CWF will meet on **Wednesday, May 8th at 6:30 pm** in the fellowship hall.

Each group will be collecting Blessing boxes and Spring Project donations as well as donations for our service projects. As usual, we'll have Bible study, and send cards. Food is always involved. I hope you will be there, otherwise you might be voted into office. LOL. Seriously though, I hope all the women of the Church will be able to attend one of the meetings. All are welcome including friends and neighbors. See you in May.

- Jamie McDonald

CMF - CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Twelve men gathered at Mill Quarter Plantation Golf Course (Powhatan VA) on Saturday, April 20th for 18 holes of golf and fellowship. Three teams played a lively game following a storm and tornadoes the previous day. Although the course was wet and windy, the teams persevered, had a filling supper at the County Seat Restaurant, and worshiped at Easter Sunday Services the following day.

Additional golf outings and other men's activities, including Bible study and fishing, will be discussed at the Men's Gathering on **May 15th (Joe's Italian Grill/Pizzeria - Jahnke Road) at 6:00 PM.**

The CMF is open to all men. If you are too old for the BACC Youth Group, consider attending a CMF activity.

- Tom Snodgrass

JOY Group

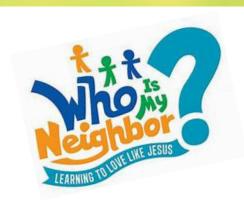
May 21st is the date for JOY group end of year luncheon. We have a reservation at O'Toole's Restaurant and Pub at 1:30pm. O'Toole's is located at 4800 Forest Hill Avenue, Richmond, 23225. Parking is in the rear or on the street. Please call Laura Hollis (804-320-3466), or email (Lollihillis@verizon.net), or text (804-307-3684), to reserve your seat. I do need a head count by May 15th. If you would like to carpool from the church, that can be arranged. This luncheon is open to all and I hope to see everyone there!

- Laura Hollis

Growing in Faith

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

There's a whole world out there! Neighbors are more than people who live next door. Who Is My Neighbor VBS will inspire children to become God's hands and feet in their neighborhood and in the world. Stories and theme are rooted in the Bible and help concepts of kindness, compassion and justice come to life. There will be games, crafts, snacks and other activities. We hope you can join us! *And invite your neighbors too!*



August 5th - 9th 8:30a - 12:30p (early drop-off will available starting at 8:00a.m.)

Lunch will be provided daily.

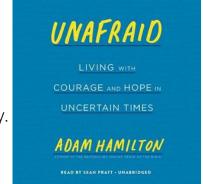
All are welcome!

UNAFRAID BOOK STUDY

Fear is a complex emotion. Sometimes it saves us. More often it robs us of the life we want. But we can take our lives back.

You'd be hard-pressed to overstate the extent to which fear, anxiety, and worry permeate our lives today. Fear wreaks havoc on our relationships and communities. It leads us into making bad decisions. It holds us back from the very pursuits that promise fulfillment and joy.

As the senior pastor of a large, diverse church in America's heartland, Adam Hamilton has seen the cost of fear up close. When he surveyed



his congregation on how fear affects them, 2,400 people responded--and what they said was eyeopening. Eighty percent admitted to living with moderate or significant levels of fear. Unafraid offers an informed and inspiring message full of practical solutions.

Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. & Thursday evenings at 6:15 p.m. - start date tbd

Reaching Out to Help Others

CWS KITS

CWS Kits will be collected from April 1st - May 15th here at BACC. We are collecting **Emergency clean up buckets**. The list of what is needed for this kit can be found in the bulletin boards around the church and in the church office. Any and all donations are welcome.

We have a great start already and have may kits completed and ready for pick-up! Monetary donations to help finish kits are welcome as well. Please write checks to Bon Air Christian Church, Memo: CWS kits.

The pick up date is May 22nd.

EASTER OFFERING - 2019

Thank you to everyone who gave this year to the Easter Special Offering. We are grateful for your support of local and global missions.

GOOD WORK!

BAINBRIDGE FOOD PANTRY

Spring has Sprung...In the busyness of the season, please do not forget about the folks who depend on Bainbridge Community Ministry for part of their food supply. They depend on people like us for out contributions of food. Current needs are non perishable milk products, canned fruit, canned soup, cereal and tomato sauce. Thank you.

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE

Our Saturday evening casual Service continues all summer, and throughout the year. Starting at 5 p.m. and lasting less than one hour, it is a viable alternative to Sunday morning worship. we all need regular worship, so come on down to the Saturday Evening Casual Service, and keep your church attendance up to date.

"Your word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

Psalm 119:105

What's Happening

VICTORIAN DAYS

Let's give a warm Bon Air Christian Church welcome on **Saturday, May 11th**. We always enjoy welcoming the community to our church for the Old Bon Air Victorian Days. There's a parade at 11:00 a.m., entertainment and vendors. There are games for the kids and we give tours of the sanctuary. Inside our fellowship hall there are historical displays.

Our youth will be hosting a bake sale and we hope you'll come out and support them as they raise money for mission.

Here is a Bake Sale sign up for anyone that would like to provide items to sell:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4BAEA82E5-victorian2





SUMMER SCHEDULE

Summer Worship Schedule will begin on **Sunday, May 26th.**

Sunday school and youth group's regular meeting will suspend until Labor Day. The Fellowship adult Sunday school class will continue meeting throughout the summer. Youth group will have special projects over the summer! Details to come.

Summer Worship Times: 9:15 a.m. Early Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Late Worship Service

9:30 a.m. Adult Fellowship Sunday School Class



Stewardship

Caring for God's gifts, Caring for Ourselves

Psalm 139: 13-16 "For it was You who formed my inward parts: You knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are Your works; that I know very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In Your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed."

We are God's amazing creatures. Our bodies are complex, intricate and miraculous physical creations. Our bodies function in amazing, precise ways that even with our scientific advances are still not fully comprehended.

God has given us these highly calibrated physical tools – our bodies – to carry out our earthly functions – to serve Him. God has given us these amazing tools and so we are charged with caring for them properly so that they may continue to do His work. We need to give these amazing tools the care they deserve – healthy food for fuel, rest to recover and rebuild, exercise to support our strength and proper care to maintain the full function of our bodies. We also need to care for our spirits residing in our bodies – opportunities for worship, on-going prayer and communication with God, reflection and reading of Scripture and worship materials.

It is comforting that God knows us so well that even the number of hairs on our heads are known to Him. He sees all there is about us – our good points and our bad. He knows all there is to know about us – and still loves us. He gave us bodies for work and for joy – to serve and to praise him. As with the myriad of other gifts God has given us, we are charged with stewardship of our bodies. In order to serve Him well we need to pay attention to the foods that we eat, how we exercise and keep our bodies in good working order, how we care for our bodies when we are sick or injured. God has given us these amazing tools to serve him.

Just as we are charged with caring for God's other gifts, we are to care for our physical beings. Let us serve God better by taking care of ourselves. ~Shea Hollifield

Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten in God's sight. But even the hairs of your head are all counted. Do not be afraid: you are of more value than many sparrows.



New Members

We are happy to welcome Joanne Frye and her two sons, Nate and Hank to our church Family. Born and raised in southwestern Pennsylvania, Joanne graduated from Washington & Jefferson College in Washington, PA. In 2001, she moved to Richmond (her grandmother's hometown) to attend law school at the University of Richmond. She currently serves as a career law clerk for a Justice on the Supreme Court of Virginia and is blessed to see Joan Mielke on a daily basis. Joanne has volunteered with the Junior League of Richmond for over 12 years. She served on the Board of Directors for four years and was President in 2016. In her minimal spare time, Joanne loves reading, sewing, and attempting to make her DC sports fan children fans of Pittsburgh teams. Henry (Hank) is 9 years old and is in third grade. Nathaniel (Nate) is 6 years old and is in first grade. Nate turns 7 on May 5th and will likely tell everyone that the best thing about springtime is his birthday. The boys love playing baseball and spend many hours at the baseball fields during the week. They also love cheering on the Flying Squirrels and the Richmond Kickers. Joanne grew up attending a small church in rural Pennsylvania and is thrilled to have found a church that feels like home for her and the boys.



Dear BACC family,

Thank you so much for the cards, prayers and messages regarding my mom, Joyce Burton, who had surgery in March.

(Cindy, Mom was so touched that you visited her in the hospital.) Mom continues to heal after receiving the defibrillator/pacemaker. We are hopeful that she will soon be feeling better and that this device will help keep her heartbeat regulated. Over the past few months, Mom has enjoyed coming to several of our services and activities and appreciates all your love and kindness, as do l.

You all are a shining light and such a blessing in our lives!

Jackie Nilles

Church Family Updates



Congratulations to Abby (Archer) & Charles Duke on the arrival of their son, Grayson Michael Duke. He was born on April 5th.

Proud grandparents are Gary and Barbara Archer.

OUR SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

Our love & prayers are with Tammy Rucker and her family upon the death of Tammy's mother.

Our prayers are with the Clark family and their friend, Missy Harbour, upon the passing of her husband, Norm.



LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS ...

Please pray for Dana Hatton's father, David Bowen, Sr and Todd Hatton's father, James who are both coping with medical concerns; Jim New who was hospitalized this past month and Jimmy Clark who was also hospitalized.

Our prayers continue to be with: Jackie Nilles' mother, Joyce Burton; Bill Jeffrey as he recuperates from surgery; Tom Neumayer; Cathy Wheless; Harriet Griggs; Nancy Jeffrey's sister and brother in law, Reba and Wallace Kelley; Gene Dunston; Russell Shelton's friend, Paul Townes; Rhonda Ringel's friend, Pam Soddu; Traci Eagle; Stephen Blanchard's cousins, Van and Leigh Dupriest; Kathy Morton and her mother, Pat Hedrick; Debbie Inlow's father; Greg Shannon's mother; Sandy Logan's sister, Brenda Peery; Jackie Nilles' friends, Cristie Webber and Kathryn Idelson Noftzger; Steve Blythe; Jim Pannell; Charles Stevens' daughter, Kris Perkins and her husband, "Smokey" Perkins; Gail Macfadden's friend, Lewis Bell; Harold Campbell; Dot Nuckols; Shirley Heath; Gerry Roppe'; Tom Neumayer's great-granddaughter, Kassidi Stevens; Steve Blythe's cousin, Brandon Clements; Terry Tynan; Steve Kline's niece, Suzy Street; Tom Mayfield's friend, Mickey Denke; Leigh Anne Phan's friend, Ron Evans; Stacy Price; the Blythes' friend, Donna Leake; Susan Baum's friends, Jeri and Darlene; Brian Le.