BON AIR CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) AUGUST 2022 NEWSLETTER

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WORSHIP WITH US:

Saturday Evening Worship:

5:00 p.m. Casual Worship Service

Sunday Morning Worship:

9:15 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Worship Service in person and via Zoom

Sunday School:

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Class

Prayer and Fellowship:

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

All are welcome!

Dear friends:

I've been challenging my creative side and enjoying art classes. I was telling the art teacher about how our wonderful artists at church share their extraordinary talent with us and also help us reflect on the scripture when they do the bulletin artwork. We are so very blessed with people who share their gifts with us in so many different ways.

My art teacher loved that we were inviting artists to share their reflections through their creations. She also talked about the creator, the great artist of all creation. She said, "There's a reason that our hand looks like a leaf." I had never thought about that before!

At that particular class I'd been attempting watercolor botanicals. When she said that to me, I looked at my hand. It does look like a leaf! The shape, the veins, the lines; this leaf on a limb that helps us do so much in life is amazing.

Today I am paying attention to today. Today I am taking time to see a leaf, to see a hand. Today I am taking time to hear the quiet song of the crickets, the gentle rhythm of the rain.

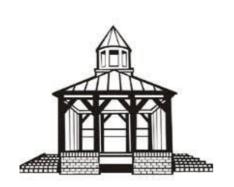
While there are challenges and concerns that hover and call for our attention, still today let's listen to Jesus' voice, "Why do you worry? Consider the lilies of the field, they neither toil nor spin, yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed as one of these."

Today dear church, Christ calls us to trust in his leading and to savor God's beautiful world.

With love and prayers, *Cindy*



Youth Group



Reep Calm & Camp On!

Bon Air Christian Church sent 20 kids to camp this summer. As always, it was wonderful to be back on the mountain & all reviews coming back were GREAT!

Going to camp is a life-changing experience & Craig Springs holds such a special place in the hearts of many. Not only is it fun in the moment, but your time there also has a lifelong impact. From meeting new friends to strengthening relationships with old friends, feeling the presence of God each and every day to meaningful worship services, camp songs, fun games and more memories than you think your mind can hold. Camp truly shapes who you are.

We are grateful for the many ways camp has helped our BACC youth become who they are today — amazing individuals who know and love God ♥

Be sure to ask any of these folks about their week on the mountain!

Campers: Jackson & Charlotte Rembold, Emily Rucker, Lilly Ver Beek, Logan & Reese Blanchard, Peyton Nilles, Clover & Anika Tejnecky, Cadence & Shepard Mooney, Ashe Fearnley, Vivian Cook, Catherine & Taylor Trezza, Maddy & Sarah Boger, Vivian Alexander, Davis & Zayden Snoot.

Volunteers from BACC — a HUGE thank you to you all! Jasmine Heath, David Finnegan-Hosey, Suzanne Dale, Kitten Whitlow & RobinBlanchard.













Vacation Bible School

EXCITEMENT IS IN THE AIR!!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022: FOOD TRUCK PARTY: ON A ROLL WITH GOD!

will take place on

August 8th through 12th from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

We have many excited volunteers looking forward to many excited kids! Registration links are below if you are interested in joining either group.

VBS DECORATION DAY
Sunday, August 7th at 11:45 a.m.
Join us as we prepare
for all of the fun ahead!

COLORS OF THE DAY:
Monday~YELLOW
Tuesday~RED
Wednesday~PURPLE
Thursday~GREEN
Friday~BLUE

IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR...

as we share God's love with our BACC kids and our neighbors! Come join the fun as we minister to these children of God!

VBS REGISTRATION VBS VOLUNTEERS



Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Watthew 19:14



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received."

I Peter 4:10 (NRSV)

As Christians, we are called to serve those in need. The Church in Community Committee is highlighting ways for us to serve and help others in our Richmond community.

Here are some to consider:

• FURNITURE DONATIONS: After our successful drive in May/June of household items for the CARITAS Furniture Bank, this fall we are organizing donations of household furniture: chairs, tables (dining and occasional), dressers, bookcases, bed frames (no headboards or footboards), sofas, mattresses (no king or foam ones). If you can transport your items to CARITAS, donations are accepted Monday-Friday, II:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at 2220 Stockton Street. If you have questions or need help with your donations, contact the church office or Cathy Law (804-512-9092). Here is a link for more information about items CARITAS Furniture Bank can and cannot accept: Items Accepted | (caritasva.org)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- CARITAS is seeking volunteers for their shelters and the Furniture Bank. Shelter volunteers work four-hour shifts in the morning, mid-day or afternoon/early evening, in teams of two, once a week, month or quarter. Furniture Bank volunteers assist folks who are "shopping" for their new homes, in two-hour shifts. There is a required volunteer orientation on the shelter programs and the procedures. We would like to organize teams to serve one day/month for BACC to provide volunteers at CARITAS. If you think you would like to volunteer at CARITAS, there will be an interest meeting in September. Watch for more info!
 - Micah Initiative: We are awaiting word on opportunities to volunteer at Redd Elementary through the Micah Initiative. Watch for more information to come!
 - Food Pantry Donations: Bainbridge Food Pantry BACC continues to collect non-perishable food for the Pantry. The collection bin is by the Office door.

-Cathy Law, Church in Community Chair



What's Happening

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The CMF is an august group of BACC men and their friends who gather in fellowship throughout the year. This month, two events are planned. More may be added as the men identify activities they would like to share with their brothers. Keep a watch on the Sunday church bulletin for updates. Contact Tom Snodgrass (804–370–5279 or TESNODGRAS@AOL.COM) if you have ideas for Christian Men's activities through the rest of the summer and into fall.

ROMEOs meets every Wednesday Morning at 9:15 a.m., Joe's Inn — Bon Air. We carry on the tradition of BACC men who started the group fellowship more than 25 years ago. We have a table on the left side of the restaurant, near the back on the lower level. Dress is casual. Just show up. The Joe's Inn 'Senior Breakfast' is delicious and inexpensive. Some charter members of the group say the original ROMEO acronym identified them as 'Retired Old Men Eating Out'. This new generation could more aptly be described as 'Reliable One-of-a-Kind Men Enjoying Ourselves'.

The once-a-month Mens Gathering is scheduled for August 18th at 6:00 p.m. Our location for this month is Brick House Diner, 1320 Midlothian Turnpike, Midlothian, VA 23113. Contact Tom Snodgrass (804-370-5279 or tesnodgras@aol.com) to express your intent to attend. The Men's Gathering is held at a different restaurant each month on the third Thursday of the month.

July BACC Men's Golf Outing: A record twelve men joined in a Sunday golf outing on July 24th at Providence Golf Club in Richmond. Three teams competed in the sweltering heat, seeking temporary relief at several large fans on the course. The winning team reported 13 under par, followed closely by the second-place team with '12 under'. The third-place team completed the 18-hole play at 10 under par. Players included BACC members and their friends. The use of 'Ducks & Cups' contributed to the fun-of-play and low scores.

— Tom Snodgrass, CMF Coordinator



BACC CMF Golf Outing on July 24th, 2022 at Providence Golf Club: Mark Collins, swinging, and Duke Dale, observing.



In July, seven men gathered at Tarrant's-West Restaurant on Three Chopt Road for She Crab Soup, libations, and other fare. From left to right: Wayne Farrell, Sam Herrin, Tom Snodgrass, Bob Lenhart, Greg Shannon, Steve Goff and Bob McGowan.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP



Though our Christian Women's Fellowship Groups are technically not meeting during the summer months, some of us still get together once a month to enjoy dinner together. We love enjoying good food and one another's company! In July the Ladies of the Evening met for dinner at The Four Seasons, which we enjoyed so much that we decided to do it again in August. Join us on Thursday, August 4th at 5:00 p.m. at 14320 Winterview Parkway, on the bottom level of the GATHER building, for fun and fellowship. Our regular meetings will begin again in September, and we would love to have you join us then also!





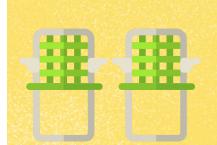








Mark your Calendars





Outdoor Movie Night Friday, August 26th

More details to come!



Serving Together



Hi friends,

Thank you for all the great work you do through the CWS Kits and Blankets ministries.

Because of generous supporters like you, we responded to more than double the amount of requests for kits and blankets over the same time period as last year.

With your help, we are continually sharing Christ's love — with each kit, cleanup bucket or blanket that reaches the hands of neighbors around the world.

See how you've helped make a difference. <u>Download the Kits and Blankets mid-year shipping</u> report!

Serving together, Matthew Stevens Director of Congregational Campaigns

Thank you for serving!



We are grateful for the many ways you serve our church. Please click on the link and sign up to be part of sharing the gospel through acts of kindness and love.

RIDES FOR FRIENDS

GREETERS

WORSHIP AND WONDER

WORSHIP LEADERS

VISITING OUR BACC FRIENDS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

(Hebrews 13:16



Dear BACC Church Family,

Thank you so very much for all of the lovely sympathy cards, beautifully written notes, and messages I received either in the mail or on social media. It has meant so much to me to have your love and support during this tender and difficult time. Your response has been a reminder of what a loving church we have and how in the most difficult of times, God's love and light is ever present through his disciples.

Most appreciatively, Linda Verheul



THANKS TO OUR CWF LADIES...

Dear Bon Air Christian Church Women's Fellowship Group,

Thank you for making a difference! Your generosity provides quality emergency and ongoing programs for survivors of violence. Supporters like you, who care about our mission, drive what we do. With your help, we can create a safe and empowering environment for families and community members that will have a lasting impact.

Your donation will allow us to enhance the services offered by YWCA Richmond to strengthen our community and make a positive difference in the lives of one or many. We're so grateful for your gift of \$620.00, and for your belief in our mission to promote peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all. Thanks again!



All the Best, Margaret Dodson, Advancement and Stewardship Manager, YWCA

Dear Friends at Bon Air,

We are grateful for your committment to Christmount and the way your gifts are making a difference in the lives of all who come to Christmount. Your support encourages partnerships with Bounty & Soul and the Food Connection, helps campers with autism find acceptance at Camp Lakey Gap, and brings about a sense of purpose for summer staff as they discover meaningful career field opportunities. When you choose Christmount, you are supporting our Adapted Programs, Camp Matters initiatives, and our vision for the integration of sustainability in all that we do. Your gifts are impacting our community, helping Christmount make a difference in our world today.

With gratitude,



Rev. Rob Morris, Executive Director



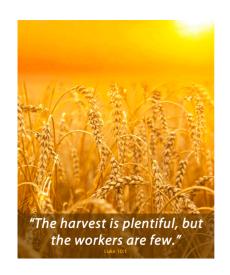


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Sincerely,

J. Michael Bonnette, Ph.D. Vice President for Advancement









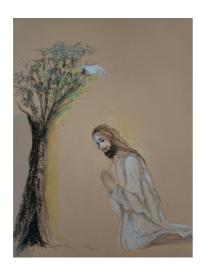
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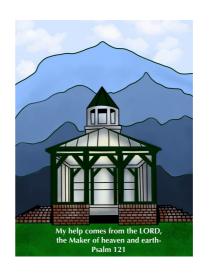
JOY BLACK

Many thanks to our talented artists who provide artwork for our bulletin covers!





WENDY MOORE



LILLY VER BEEK



Only fear the Lord and serve him faithfullly with all your heart, for consider what great things he has done for you.

I Samuel 12:24

Church Family Updates

WONDERFUL NEWS...TWO NEW BACC MEMBERS!

MEET DEBRA VAUGHAN...

We are so happy to welcome Debra Vaughan to BACC! Many of us already know Debra, as she is a pianist who sometimes plays for us when Vickie is away. In addition to being a musician, Debra also really enjoys gardening and working in her yard, which she does by day, and drawing, which she enjoys doing in the evenings. She also tries to walk 2.5 to 3 miles every day. Playing the piano lifts her spirits. She started playing at age seven, and played in church for the first time at the age of nine, when she only knew how to play two of the songs in the hymnal. Debra was a NICU and nursery nurse at Johnston Willis Hospital, now retired. She misses the babies and her colleagues, but does not miss twelve-hour shifts, night shifts, or dealing with challenging new technologies while caring her patients.



Debra's husband, Lindley, now also retired, was a partner in an engineering firm. They have two grown sons, both married. One couple resides in the Richmond area, and the other is currently in San Diego, but planning to move back to the East Coast in the near future, which Debra and Lindley were delighed to hear! Take a moment to say hello when you see Debra at church!

...AND MARK JONES!



We are also delighted to welcome Mark Jones, and his wonderful children, Sasha and Tim, to BACC! Tim, Sasha, and Mark live in Bon Air. Tim enjoys fishing, sports, and feather and coin collecting. Sasha is an avid reader and also likes to cook and draw. Mark attempts to garden, enjoys most anything that is active and outdoors, and is a corporate attorney. The Jones family has been attending for a while, and Mark was recently baptized on Sunday, July 17th at the 9:15 a.m. worship service, with many of his extended family members filling the front two rows. Please give a warm welcome to Mark, Sasha, and Tim when you're lucky enough to meet them!



Church Family Updates



Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Please pray for: Martha Wright and family in the loss of her brother, Jerry Mills, from Covid; the Crank family in the recent loss of John; Wendy Sydnor and family in the recent loss of Bill; and Todd Hatton, who recently broke his leg and tore many of his ligaments and tendons; Liz Young, as she deals with health challenges related to her cancer; Cole Berkley

Please continue to pray for: Jackie Nilles and family in the loss of her Aunt Brenda; Linda Verheul and family in the loss of her father, Ray Redford; Frank and Diane Clark and family in the recent loss of Frank's father, Jimmy Clark; Evan O'Dell and Chris Lion, who are both being treated for brain tumors; Lisa Perkins, friend of Karson Clark, recently diagnosed with colon cancer; Kendra Ver Beek's mother, Janet, who is recovering from back surgery; Bill Jeffrey and family; Lois Zarefoss and family; Reverend Rachel Woodall and family; Traci Eagle; Jodi White, who is undergoing radiation treatments; Mary Ann Casdia; Peggye Alcoke; Nancy Maiden and family; Sandy Logan; Terri Rudolph; Steve Goff; Joe Atherton; Jim Henderson; Jake and Mazie McCann's son, Scott McCann; Daniel Vaden; Ollie and Linda White; Sandy Logan's son Jeff; Alice Murray's son Brett; Mary Ellen Cummins; Myrna Law; Alma Spivey; Beulah Proffitt; Liz Young; Gene Dunston; Sylvia Montgomery; Jane Washington; Wanda Russell; James Hatton; Joe Bancroft's brother-in-law, Joe Thomas; Pat Cosby; Jeter Bourne; Harold Campbell; Cathy Wheless; Gerry Roppe'; Judi Wright, sister of Debra Vaughan; Steve Kline's friend, Gail Smith; Jane Finnegan's friend, Ann; Larry Brown; Billy Pike, friend of Becky Harvell's; Martha Southall, neighbor of Greg and Vickie Shannon; Traci Eagle's cousin, Cindy; Frances Gilman; Mary Williams, friend of Pat Cosby; Stephanie Strobe; Hannah Moon's roommate, Caroline Laughorn; Pat Cosby's cousin, Jo Bailey; Nancy Maiden's friend, Betty Jo; Tammy Rucker's friend, Judith Hazelo; Chip Wright; Vickie Shannon's mother, Dorothea Mentzell; Rose McCaferty's siblings, Judy and Bonnie; Barbara Barker; Gerry Roppe's, friend, Chico; Cassie Price's friends, Jessica and Carter Pope, and Spencer; Rhonda Ringel's friends, Betty Jean and Diana Barber; Patrick Sibold; Jim Pannell; Tom Mayfield's friend, Mickey Denke; Stacy Price; Lynn Sarvis' friends, Pat Pitt and Ida McElroy; Gail Macfadden's friend, Lewis Bell; Patsy Layer

NEW ADDRESSES:

Peggye Alcoke Spring Arbor of Salisbury, Room 303 14001 Turnberry Lane Midlothian, VA 23113 Lois Zarefoss Spring Arbor of Salisbury, Room 405 14001 Turnberry Lane Midlothian, VA 23113

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.