

BON AIR CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

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WORSHIP WITH US:

Summer Schedule

Saturday Evening Worship:

5:00 p.m. Casual Worship Service

Sunday Morning Worship:

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
in person and via Zoom

Adult Sunday School:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

Prayer and Fellowship:

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
via Zoom

All are welcome!

It Takes a Village

Leigh is back at work and Laila's out of school until the middle of July, so I've had Jude with me in the church office these past two weeks. Which would make it a bit hard to get work done, if I didn't have so much help! Jude's learned how to play Hand and Foot, taken naps on a half dozen different people, borrowed baby bottles when Dada forgot ours (won't make that mistake again), and taken quite a few tours of the church.

"It takes a village," as the old saying goes. We can't get by alone. We need each other. Of course, a church village doesn't exist to help a single person - or even just to serve its own members. God calls the church to be the Body of Christ, given to the world to share God's love. In other words: the church is called to be "the village" for the whole world.

Which is a big job! But again: we don't do it alone, as one isolated group or congregation. We have true freedom in Christ, but we are never completely independent. Rather, we are deeply interdependent. We collaborate - across our Region, in camps and gatherings, mission trips and support of new congregations; across our general church, through mission funding and assemblies; ecumenically with other denominations and building interfaith friendships with our neighbors.

I took special notice, reading over this month's newsletter, of all the evidence of our big village: all the ways we serve and all the ways we collaborate to be part of God's dream of healing and wholeness in the world. Amen to that!

Grace and Peace,

David

Summer Camp



It's everyone's favorite time of the year!
Time for Craig Springs Summer Camp! REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
Remember, BACC pays half for every camper.

***Find out about ALL camps available & register at
<https://www.ccinva.org/viriniacampingministry>***



Special Camp - June 30 - July 5, 2024

Craig Springs, New Castle, VA
Special Camp is an unforgettable week of love, laughter, and forming lasting friendships. Campers with intellectual and physical disabilities come from across the region to Craig Springs to learn about God's love for them through a welcoming, supportive and accepting camping experience.
Camp Price - \$100.00

Triple Camp 1 - July 7 - 12, 2024

Craig Springs, New Castle, VA
Triple Camp 1 offers the traditional church camp experience. Open to campers who have completed 3rd through 12th grade.
Camp Price - \$365.00

TREC Camp - July 13 - 20

TREC Camp is a new regional camp based out of Lynchburg, Virginia which will involve campers age 13 to 18 in high adventure activities each day of the week. In the past, our activities have included: hiking, tubing, canoeing, horseback riding, mountain boarding, repelling and climbing, zip line and caving. This is a camp for youth who enjoy new challenges and the fellowship of a small camp. Must be able to swim.
Cost: \$420.00

CAMPDD - July 1 - 6, 2024

Craig Springs, New Castle, VA
CAMPDD (Culinary, Art, Music, Photography, Dance, Drama), pronounced "Camped," open to campers who have completed 3rd through 12th grade.
Camp Price - \$365.00

Triple Camp 2 - July 14 - 19, 2024

Craig Springs, New Castle, VA
Triple Camp 2 offers the traditional church camp experience. Open to campers who have completed 3rd through 12th grade.
Camp Price - \$365.00

Family Retreat - July 19 - 21, 2024

Craig Springs, New Castle, VA
When was the last time your family spent quality time together without distractions? Do you want to relax in a rocking chair, play in a creek, and breathe the fresh mountain air? Family Retreat offers an economical way for the whole family to experience camp together for a fun-filled long weekend.
Adults - \$91.00
Ages 6 - 17 - \$68.00
5 and under - Free

Celebrations

On June 2nd we had a wonderful worship service recognizing our high school and college graduates, followed by our annual picnic. Thanks to all who made this such a successful and fun day and congratulations again to all of our BACC Grads!



*Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6*

What's Happening

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME!

The Richmond Flying Squirrels is having Faith Night at The Diamond on **Thursday, August 8th** and our very own BACC Choir will be singing the National Anthem!

The ballpark gates open at 5:30 p.m. with first pitch scheduled for 6:35 p.m.

Faith Night includes:

- Pre-game faith-based band performance ~ ***Come support the BACC CHOIR!***
- Player testimonials
- Post-game fireworks show
- Memories made in Funnville!

Everyone is invited to come! Please see Kim Teachey if you would like to buy tickets and we will try to get a block of seats together. Kims's contact is teachey@comcast.net, or 804-624-1815. It should be a wonderful summertime outing!



BACC SOFTBALL TEAM

Watch out Flying Squirrels —here comes BACC!



If you were unable to attend the initial interest meeting and still want to get involved, please contact either Evan Gross (grossevan0@gmail.com) or Jake Ver Beek (jakeverbeek@vt.edu). The team is scheduled to begin in the Fall with RVA Amateur Softball Association through Henrico County Parks & Rec. Fall Season starts early September. We do need at least 5 women and 5 men to play (we need more women). More details to come but it should be a GREAT time of fellowship!

*And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.
Hebrews 10:24*

What's Happening

Coming soon ...

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – Mark your calendars. BACC VBS will be **August 5th - 9th, 9:00 a.m. - Noon**. We will need LOTS of volunteers to live up to “the best VBS in town!” You can also spread the word & register your child / children at <https://bit.ly/BACCVBS2024> or scan the QR Code below. We can't wait for another successful week!



SCAN ME

Please let Cindy Johnson, Nicole Vaden or Kendra Ver Beek know if you would like to help! You can also sign up to volunteer on the sign up genius in your Wednesday “Church News” e-mail.

Overnight Disciples

It was wonderful to have Disciple friends from First Christian Church in Centralia, MO come visit and stay with us on Saturday, June 22nd. This group was on their way to do mission work in Dinwiddie, VA and needed a place to stop overnight. Wishing them a safe and meaningful trip as they work as God's hands and feet helping others in need.



What's Happening

HELP BUILD HOPE / CHURCH WIDE MISSION PROJECT

Framing a House!

When: Saturday, Sept. 7, 2024

Gathering and worship: 8:30 AM

With 75-100 volunteers, we will finish by early afternoon!

Where: BACC Front parking lot

Who can participate: Anyone with an interest, ages 12 and up. Friends and family are welcome to join us in the holy work. **NO CONSTRUCTION EXPERIENCE or SKILLS NEEDED!!** We will need 25-30 Crew Leaders, who have some building experience, and they will be needed also on Friday, Sept. 6, 5:30-8:30 PM. A kitchen crew will be needed also. This is a highly organized and prescribed process, and Help Build Hope, from Louisville, KY, will guide us through it. HBH will provide the tools needed for the project. Folks who have participated in these builds have talked about what an amazing process it is!

Folks from other Disciples congregations will be joining us.

A registration form will be required from each participant prior to Sept. 7th. The form will be available in mid-August. The framed house will go to an area Habitat for Humanity.

Cost and Donations: The total cost will depend on the price of lumber, but will be \$8,000-11,000. BACC needs donations for this project. The BACC CWF has already committed \$1,000 for the project, and we have applied for a \$2,000 grant from the Regional Church. Checks are to be made out to Bon Air Christian, with "House Framing" in the memo line, and donations can also be made through Givelify.

Cathy Law and Bernie McDonald are the BACC coordinators for the house framing. If you have questions, reach out to them.



Building Partnerships • Building Relationships • Building Community
Building Homes

Fellowship & Service

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

CWF continues to be active over the summer. The Salad Group meets for cards. The Day group had a picnic at Carol McGowan's house on June 11th. We had great weather and fantastic food. We'll be meeting for lunch at a restaurant in July. Several from the Day group went to see a very funny play at Swift Creek Mill followed by dinner at Howletts. Regular meetings will begin in September.

~ Jamie McDonald



CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

On Thursday, June 20th, the members of the CMF sponsored a Habitat for Humanity build in Richmond. We all had a great time and good fellowship. We had four participants from BACC and one guest.

Kim Teachey, Andy Trezza, Greg Shannon and Cathy Law from BACC. The guest was Timo Janovitch. Thanks to all who participated. We look forward to doing another one in the future.



Also ...don't forget:

- Men's Lunch @ Joe's Inn Bon Air at 11:30 am on **July 10th** (not the 3rd; we are taking a holiday).
- ROMEO's Breakfast at Joe's Inn Bon Air at 9:15 am on Wednesday, **July 17th, 24th & 31st**.

Fellowship & Service

BACC Across the Region

The Regional Assembly of the Christian Church in Virginia gathered at the University of Lynchburg on June 1, with plenty of great representation from BACC. Inspiring worship, thoughtful workshops, hands-on service opportunities, and plenty of time for fellowship with our Regional family made it a meaningful time. Then, from June 17-22, a multigenerational group from across our Region headed to Charleston, SC for Mission Camp. Our church was once again well represented by Suzanne Dale and Diane Clark, who put in sweat equity to serve our neighbors and share God's love.



CWS Kit collection

CWS Kits were picked up on June 18th, and as a collection depot, we collected from four different churches. Those churches were:

- BACC
- Springfield Christian
- Mt. Hope UCC
- First Presbyterian



The kits collected:

- 328 school kits
- 108 period kits

436 total kits!



Thanks to all who made kits and brought supplies. BACC donated 27 school kits in total ... you helped give children the classroom essentials they need to learn, dream big and reach for the stars!

*Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.
Galatians 6:2*

Fellowship & Service



The Virginia Region is excited to announce the dates for this year's Disciples Women's Retreat! **Save the date for October 11-13, 2024**, as they plan to gather at Smith Mountain Lake to celebrate 150 years of Disciples Women and sow seeds of faith together. Registration will begin in early May and you can ensure you receive all updates in two ways:

- Email 2024.VDW.Retreat@gmail.com to be added to our email distribution list for all future updates
- Join our private Facebook group [here](https://www.facebook.com/groups/415828094313416) to get all updates and meet other Disciples Women interested in attending.

Thank you in advance for helping us make this year's retreat successful!

Thank You

Bon Air Christian Church,

Safe Harbor sincerely appreciates your contribution of pasta sauce, oatmeal, coffee, and protein bars. Our clients are facing some of life's most challenging moments. Your kindness and support means so much to them. Thank you so much.



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift! We are grateful for your commitment to Christmount. Your gifts are making a difference in the lives of all who come to Christmount. When you choose Christmount, you are supporting our mission of providing a place for all to discover community, acceptance, and purpose. Your gift supports Christmount as the national conference center for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) denomination, and the work we do with Camp Lakey Gap and Sunshine Retreats —our adapted programs that work with autistic individuals, adults with intellectual disabilities, vocational training programs, and more.

Your gifts are impacting our community, helping Christmount to make a difference in our world today.

With gratitude,

~Rev. Rob Morris, Executive Director



Dear BACC Family,

Thanks so much for the lovely gift for choir members. We have such fun I almost hate to accept the gift, haha. Singing with such talented musicians and enjoyable people is a blessing. Thanks again!

~Mary Garrison



Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$1650 for Craig Springs.

This will help so much! We really do appreciate your continued support to Craig Springs. Also, thanks for sending campers to Craig Springs each summer.

Blessings,

~Sue Gordon



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift of \$575 on April 20 to the Micah Program of Richmond Hill.

Your support sustains this place day in and day out, ensuring that we continue to live into our mission: to seek God's healing of metropolitan Richmond.

We thank you. We are so glad to be in this work alongside you.

Blessings,

~Ms. Katie Johnson, Council President

~The Rev. Robert G. Hetherington, Chair, Richmond Hill Annual Fund



Church Family Updates

Our Prayers...

Please pray for: Whitney and Joe Charboneau as they begin their married life together; Tim Vaden and family upon the death of his mother, Christine; Jake McCann who is recovering from a recent fall; Janet Lehart who is having some hip pain; Arlene Giffel's brother who has advanced COPD, and her brother-in-law who is in hospice care; Kris Foster's sister-in-law who is dealing with medical issues; Joan Mielke's neighbor's family member, Chuck Church; Jasmine Heath's friend's mother, Diane Mean, who was diagnosed with ALS; all those in our community and world without adequate shelter during these hot summer days.

Please continue to pray for: Steve Craft; Kris Foster; Steve Kline; Bud Deihl; Tammy Rucker and family; Nancy Roper; Steve Goff; Paul Stairs; Traci Eagle; Karen Plummer; Wendy Moore; Bob Lenhart; Mark Ringel; Janet Holder; Cindy, Russ & Andee's brother-in-law, William; Karen Basalay's friend's, Barbara and Tom; Alice Murray's friend, Robin; Jeff and Angie Branyon's friend, Jill; Frances Gillman; Pat Pranger; Dave Arnoski; Bill Mahoney; Carol McGowan and family; Richard Seeds; Skip Logan; Marion and Gary Hosey; Baby Gabriel; Angel Huff and family; Judy Hall and family; Cindy Cochran and family; JJ Blum; Rose McCaferty's niece and husband; Joan Mielke and family; Sylvia Montgomery; Jack Ellis and family; Doug Collins, Sr.; Debra and Lindley Vaughan's neighbor, Janet and daughter-in-law, Janice; Natalie Trimmer; Nancy Rucker; Laura Hollis' daughter, Robin; Teresa McLaughlan; Phyllis Henderson; Harold and Gail Campbell; Taylor Brooks; Gerry Roppé; Evan Lenhart; Zachary Moon; Jim McCaferty's mother, Mary; Will Monger; Peg Eagle; Pat Cosby; Wanda Russell; Gail Macfadden; Cathy Wheless; Tonda Bynum; Lanny Saylor; John Foster; Karen Shelton Smith; Caroline Laughorn; Barbara Horton and family; Fred Turner; Phil Hepler; Diane Fearnley's friend, Nancy; Jack Dalton; Laura Finch and Brian Cassel; James Huff Jr.; Darlene Edwards; Shea Hollfiled's niece, Holly; Rose McCaferty's sisters, Barbara and Judy; Ken Schmalenberger; Bobby Saunders; Wilma Pruett; Bridget Hengle; Faye Ringel; Megan Moran Bucholz; Eric Morris; Gunnar Dickson; Gerry Roppé's friends, Chico and Sue; Gail Cox, friend of the Baum's; Cindy Stratton's friend, Vlad; Gina McKenney's niece, Jimie, friends Kathy Sanford, and John Mann, and former student, Jackson; Alice Murray's friend, Robin T.; Mike Vernon; Connie Graves; Kip Barefoot; Ada Slayton; Scott McCann; Chris Verheul; Janice Hoover; Bill and Alice Murray's son Brett; Mary Ellen Cummins; Nikki Todd; Jean Venner; Larry Brown; Judi Wright; Chris Lion; Lisa Perkins; Traci Eagle's cousin, Cindy; Jo Bailey; Judith Hazelo; Patrick Sibold; Stacy Price; Jim Pannell.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.
Romans 8:26