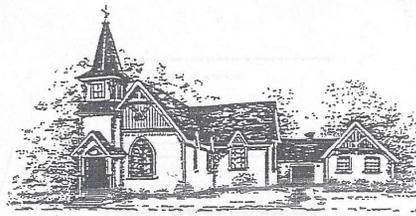


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Holy is the week.

We make our way through the crowded streets of Jerusalem, seeing the joy on the faces of those who gather for the Passover celebration, seeing the scowls of the scribes and Pharisees as they mumble their disapproval. Are we mumbling too?

Holy is the week.

We gather around the table watching bread broken, wine poured. We hear talk of betrayal and denial. Is it I, Lord? Surely not me?

Holy is the week as we watch him pray in the garden. The soldiers come and Jesus is taken, whipped, mocked and crucified. How can this be?

Holy is the week as we wait. We wait for dawning hope. We wait for God's light to penetrate the darkness of our sorrow. We wait for the power of the redeeming love of Jesus to conquer our anger, our jealousy and our brokenness.

Holy is the week when we welcome the Christ into our lives and open our hearts for God to work within us; raising us from sin and darkness to light and hope. Could it be me? You came to save me?

Even now, even today God is seeking to do a new thing – here – in our own hearts. As God transforms us into his Easter people, God empowers us to be witnesses to the good news. What a joy it is to share the hope, the love and the peace that we find in the one who turns our mourning into dancing!

May the joy of our salvation through Christ abide.

Shalom, *Cindy* 

Family Concerns:

We pray for: Bob McGowan, Joe Love, Cathy Wheless, Lloyd Thacher, Alice Beasley, Alma Spivey, Bruce Macfadden, Natalie Ringel, Shirley Acree and Gerry Roppe'. Harriet Griggs will be undergoing her seventh knee surgery on April 9th. She will be getting a knee spacer with antibiotics in hopes of clearing up the infection that she has been battling.

Our prayers are with: Sophie Sutphin, Juanita Coleman's great granddaughter who is undergoing chemotherapy; Dawn Mooney's sister, Debbie Roben; Jake and Mazie McCann's granddaughter, Jessie Abbate, Duke Dale's sister, Leslie Brinson; Nancy Maiden's brother-in-law John Maiden who has been diagnosed with cancer; Joe Bancroft's friend, Johnny Williams who has cancer; Gerry Roppe's Uncle Jack; Shirley Burkhalter's nephew, Kevin McGuire; Shea Hollifield's friend, Denise Ambrose who is being treated for leukemia; Tom Mayfield's friend Mickey Denke; Leigh Anne Phan's friend, Ron Evans; Rhonda Ringel's friend, Evan Smith; Steve Kline's friend, Ed Winfield; Steve Goff's friend, Beth Ann Molter; Peggy Hill; the Landergan's friend, Dan Bickett; Stacy Price; Arlene Blythe's friend, Donna Leake; Hannah Bryant who has leukemia and the Macfadden's friend, Lewis Bell.

Please pray for George Smith IV, who is deployed and serving our country. Our prayers are also with Sydney McKenney who is working in Ecuador.

Christian Women's Fellowship

The Christian Women's Fellowship is open to all women of the congregation. There are three groups to choose from:

The Day group meets the second Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be April 14th. Everyone is asked to bring a sandwich to the meeting. Meeting starts at 10:30.

The Evening group 1 meets the first Tuesday of the month in members' homes. The next meeting is April 7th at Jamie Davidson's at 7:00 p.m. Kitten Whitlow is the group leader.

The Evening group 2 (Salad Group) meets once a month at 6:15 at the church. The meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month. The next meeting is scheduled for April 8th.



To our BACC family,
Steve and I want to express our heartfelt thanks for the enormous outpouring of love that we've experienced since our mom's passing. Your cards, prayers, hugs, and words of support have lifted us during this difficult time. You'll never know how much it's meant. We also thank the membership committee and everyone who contributed in any way to the lovely memorial service and reception. Mom loved this church and all of you.

Sincerely,
Paula Craft

Dearest Cindy,

Please let our friends at Bon Air Christian Church know how much we appreciated the beautiful flowers at our mom's (Jean Foster) funeral. Our church family at Bon Air was so important to us. We also received many lovely cards from members. We are grateful for the kindness and comfort. We were also thrilled to see Laura Foutz at the funeral. Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts indeed.

Sincerely,
Billie Clifton and Family

Dear BACC Family and CWF Volunteers,

On behalf of our family, I would like to offer our sincere thank you for your help preparing for my father-in-law's funeral service in January. We hoped to thank each person individually but quickly discovered there were so many people involved it would be almost impossible not to accidentally leave someone out; and that in itself is a testament to the generosity of our BACC family. We are truly humbled with the outpouring of kindness and service to others, and please know your contribution is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Jamey Davidson, Carolyn, Joshua,
Louise Yuntz and Family

JOY Group -April 21 at 10:30 "Maintain Your Brain" with Elizabeth Simrell

JOY group will meet on April 21, 10:30 AM, at the church. **It will be a pot luck luncheon.**

Elizabeth Simrell will present "Maintain Your Brain." She will discuss recent discoveries in neuroscience and how to capitalize on those discoveries for preserving brain function. Her background and credentials: Master's Degree: Speech-Language Pathology from the University of Virginia Bachelor's Degree: VA Tech (French/Foreign Language Education).

She has extensive experience in helping adults with communication disorders, and brain wellness programs to healthy adults who want to stay brain fit and ward off cognitive decline.

JOY Luncheon in May Capital Ale House Mark your calendar!

On May 19, 2015 the Joy Group will meet at Capital Ale House, Midlothian Village Square, 13831 Village Place Drive, Midlothian, VA 23114 for lunch at 1:00 PM. Check out the menu capitalalehouse.com. We will order off the menu, and will get individual checks. RSVP to Laura Hollis, 804-307-3684, or Lollihollis@verizon.net by May 15, 2015.

Church World Service Kit Collection Begins April 7

Beginning April 7th, BACC will be the drop off site for the statewide collection of health kits, school kits, clean-up buckets and baby kits. The collection continues through May 20th with a driver picking up kits and delivering them to New Windsor, Maryland on May 21st.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

March 29 – 8:45 and 11:00 Palm Sunday Worship Service – Holy Week begins.

April 2 – 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship Service – We commemorate the Lord's Last Supper.

April 3 – 12:30 p.m. The Good Friday Worship Service will be in the Worship and Wonder room.

April 3 – The Good Friday Chain of Prayer – the church is open all day for those wishing to come and pray

April 4 – 5:00 p.m. Holy Saturday Casual Worship Service

April 5 – 7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Worship Service

7:45 – Brunch – bring your favorite covered dish and enjoy this time of fellowship

8:45 and 11:00 Easter Worship Services

12:15 – Easter egg hunt

Sunrise Service and Brunch

Please join us at 7:00 a.m. Easter morning for the Easter Sunrise Service. The service is held in the fellowship hall.



There will be an **Easter potluck brunch** following the Sunrise service.

It is a lovely way for us to celebrate our Lord's resurrection and the new life promised to us and also enjoy fellowship with one another.

Maundy Thursday Service

April 2 at 7:00

On Maundy Thursday we remember the Lord's Last Supper with his disciples by sharing in Holy Communion.

The service is also a Tenebrae service. The Tenebrae is the

extinguishing light as the scripture describing the passion of Christ's suffering and death is read.

We are reminded that the road to Easter always passes through Golgotha. Please plan to join us for this inspiring service.



Good Friday Service

Our Good Friday service is a bridge between Mandy Thursday and Easter Sunday. It is a quiet, reflective and meaningful service as we cast our minds upon the cross of Jesus. By way of scripture, prayer and story, our imaginations will take us back to the foot of the cross and meditatively experience the events of that day for ourselves. All are welcome; I hope you will join us for this deep and moving service. Held on Friday, April 3rd at 12:30 in the Worship and Wonder room in the education wing. If you have questions please call Gail Macfadden at 513-1590 or email her at: gailmacfadden@yahoo.com. Thank you.

Church World Service Hygiene Kits 2015

<http://www.cwsglobal.org/get-involved/kits/hygiene-kits.html>

BACC Goal = 75 Hygiene Kits

April 5th through May 3rd, we have a way to act locally and have a global impact!! Hygiene Kits for Church World Service are small packages of supplies assembled by volunteers and shipped to people in need around the world. In the face of natural disasters, violence, or grinding poverty, Hygiene Kits can mean the difference between sickness and health for struggling families. The contents of each kit have been selected with care and are useful wherever they are sent.

Three ways to get involved:

Assemble Hygiene Kit(s) yourself and place in drop-box at church
 Donate money/items for the Hygiene Kits (designate "Hygiene Kits" on your check or envelope)

Coordinate a group to make kits and place in drop-box at church (e.g. Girl Scouts, Church Groups, Etc)

To assemble a Hygiene Kit you will need:

- One gallon sized bag with zipper closure
- One hand towel measuring approximately 16" x 28" (no fingertip or bath towels)
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb
- One nail clipper
- One bar of soap (bath size in wrapper)
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Six standard size Band-Aids®
- \$ 2.00 handling fee per kit

Assembly Instructions:

Place all items in a one-gallon plastic bag with a zipper closure, remove excess air from bag, and seal. Please do not add additional items to the kits. Only the items listed above. Place in Drop Box before May 3rd.

2014 Report: CWS Hygiene Kits were sent to the following locations around the world:

Location	CWS Hygiene Kits Sent
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	500
United States (various states)	1,826
Haiti	3,900
Honduras	11,650
Nicaragua	12,000
Panama	12,500



On Easter Sunday there will be a Bake Sale to support the renovation of the bathrooms. So do not buy all your goodies at the store because there will be cupcakes, muffins and candy available. Hope to see you there!

SCARF SALE

There will be scarves for sale each Sunday morning that will benefit the Bathroom Renovation. The scarves will be in mezzanine outside Fellowship Hall. Suggested donation is \$ 20 dollars but any donation is accepted. Please put donation in the book on the table.

QUILTS FOR MISSIONS

If you have fabric that you are not going to use, you can donate it. We are collecting fabric and making twin size quilts for those in need. If you are interested helping with this project please contact Diane Clark, Sandy Logan or Cathy Law.



Two become one

Congratulations to Kelsey Arthur and Adam Bergan

upon the occasion of their marriage. They will be living in Hawaii, where Adam serves as a Marine. Their address is:

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 Kaneohe, HI 96744





Library Corner

Here are some books you may want to read from our library:

Chicken Soup for the Soul: Touched by an Angel by Amy Newmark.

Seen or unseen, angels are all around us. In this collection of 101 miraculous stories of faith, divine intervention, and answered prayers, real people share their incredible experiences with angels and the many ways they touch our lives.

You only have to look to find the angels in your life. These divine guides, guardian angels, and heavenly messengers help and guide us when we need it most. You will be awed and inspired by these true personal stories from religious and non-religious, about hope, healing, and help from angels.

Angels Walking - Book 1 by Karen Kingsbury comes the first in a brand-new series about second chances—a dramatic story about a washed up baseball player, the love he left behind, and the miracles that might save them both.

When former national baseball star Tyler Ames suffers a career-ending injury, all he can think about is putting his life back together the way it was before. He has lost everyone he loves on his way to the big leagues. Then just when things seem to be turning around, Tyler hits rock bottom. Across the country, Tyler's one true love Sami Dawson has moved on.

A series of small miracles leads Tyler to a maintenance job at a retirement home and a friendship with Virginia Hutcheson, an old woman with Alzheimer's who strangely might have the answers he so desperately seeks.

A team of Angels Walking take on the mission to restore hope for Tyler, Sami, and Virginia. Can such small and seemingly insignificant actions of the unseen bring healing and redemption? And can the words of a stranger rekindle lost love? Every journey begins with a step so read the book to see where this journey takes them.