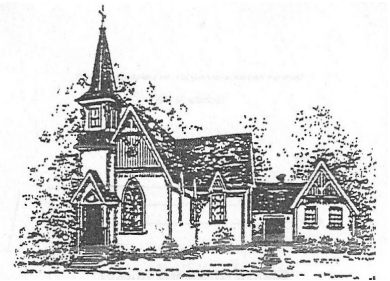


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Bon Air Christian Church Newsletter



JULY 2016 Edition

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Worship Service

9:15 & 10:45

Sunday School 9:30

Casual Service

Saturday 5:00

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MEN AND WOMEN GROWING IN FAITH

Billie Burr always made me laugh when she was recruiting tenors and basses for the choir and she'd say, "We need a few good men." A new book in our library is, "Get Real: A Spiritual Journey for Men".

When I arrived at my first church to serve as the Minister of Youth and Education, there was not a single woman on the official board – no women deacons, no women elders. They did allow the Christian Women's Fellowship President to make a report because of course they wanted to know about the next fellowship dinner. It was out of balance. There were many women who worked hard at the church. They were active throughout the life of the church. They were strong women leaders but they were not elected leaders. It wasn't balanced and it wasn't healthy. Healthy churches have men and

women leaders.

A recent study stated that boys whose fathers attend church are more likely to stay in the church. All I have to say about that is, "duh". What kind of men are we teaching our boys to be? We need men to help with Youth Group, Sunday School and Worship and Wonder. We need men who are strong Christian role models.

Girls need to see their dads and granddads involved as well. We make sure our kids are involved in sports, in music, in dance, in art, in the best schools – we want our kids to be well rounded. We want physically healthy children. We want our children to be well educated. I believe the most important foundation you can provide for your child is a relationship with Christ. That relationship is an ongoing process. It doesn't stop with baptism.

As I walk with families through crises and hardship I see how important it is that they have been nourished by God's word through the years. Sunday after Sunday we make investments into our spiritual bank account so that when we need it most our faith is our firm foundation.

As a Christian I believe we need to be together in church. We need to work, learn, worship and grow together in our walk of faith. Men and women of Christ, let us continue to challenge each other, love each other, help each other and reach with all of our love, with God's love into the world. I fervently pray for a deepening of our spiritual lives.

Shalom,

Cindy





Caritas Thank You

BACC hosted the CARITAS single women's program from May 28 to June 5. This involved 32 women making BACC their home for a week. They spent the nights in our fellowship hall. We provided breakfast, a bag lunch and a hot dinner each night they were here. We did laundry and provided showers. We provided a safe and friendly environment, concern and Christian fellowship.

All of this required dozens of people's efforts. Volunteers had to spend the night at church, breakfast foods had to be provided and laid out, lunches had to be prepared and packed for the next day, dinners had to be cooked and served and each day's activities had to be coordinated with CARITAS staff. At times it seemed like controlled chaos, but everything worked,

everyone was served and needs were met. Many, many thanks to the people who helped make this important ministry successful. Watching all of the activity during this week was truly seeing BACC loving our neighbors. Please continue to keep these very vulnerable of God's children in your prayers.

*Thanks,
Shea Hollifield*

Refugee Family Update

Sitina, Abdi and Ahmed continue their assimilation into the United States culture. Abdi and Ahmed are enrolled in ESL summer school from June 27 to July 28. They took the initiative on enrolling themselves. They are working hard at school at Huguenot High School. Many thanks to Ann, Kaleigh and Collin Thomas for their help in math/algebra tutoring. Sitina will begin a new ESL class which runs three mornings a week.

All three have received state photo IDs – this will make many other things easier.

Efforts are underway to look for housing for the family in another

school district. Housing should be affordable, in a school district with an in-house ESL program and as close as possible to public transportation. If you have suggestions please contact Shea Hollifield – sheahollifield@comcast.net

BACC continues to support Sitina, Abdi and Ahmed in a variety of ways. Thank you to all who donated clothing for the family. Kitten Whitlow coordinates transportation for various activities. If you are available to help with transportation please contact Kitten at kwhitlow59@verizon.net

The family is eager to begin working but may

not yet be ready for full employment. If you have yard work or house cleaning activities with which you could use help please contact Cathy Law (cathylaw@verizon.net) or Shea Hollifield and we will be happy to coordinate schedules.

If you would like to take the family on outing (such as a sporting event, movie, etc.), here is the link to Signup Genius:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a44a4ad2aa13-sitna>.

They enjoy visitors too!

Karl and Amy Greening- Karl and Amy live in Bon Air in the Edgehill Subdivision, just off Old Bon Air Road. They have 2 children; Logan who is 14 (born 8/2/2002) and Ava who is 10 (born 12/27/2010). Karl is originally from LaSalle, IL and Amy is from Newport News. They have lived in Richmond since 2004. Karl is a Project Superintendent at Dominion Construction Partners (DCP). Amy is a stay at home mom. They enjoy many things, such as spending time at the beach, fishing, boating, cooking, traveling, and shopping (especially Amy and Ava like the shopping!) The family has a tan tabby cat named "Brandi".

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Chris and Leah Harrison - Chris and Leah live on W. 42nd Street, off of Forest Hill Avenue. They have lived in Richmond since October, 2001. Chris resided in Boston for 10 years and Leah was also in Boston for 8 years, and prior to that she lived in Northern Virginia. They do not have any children. Chris has a younger sister and Leah has an older brother. Chris is an Architect and Leah works as a Schedule Coordinator for a dentist. They have 2 dogs, "Lucy" and "Maddie".

Chris and Leah Harrison
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Maggie Sweeney - Maggie lives in the Stratford Hills area and she is a native Richmonder. She is a student at V.C.U. and will graduate in December, with a degree in Health Science. Her dad is Barry Sweeney who plays at times with Brand Inlow and Michael McCall. She is engaged to Karson Clark who is the son of Diane and Frank Clark and the brother of Kyle and Kristopher. She enjoys anything outdoors and art and crafting. She has 2 dogs and she and Karson just got a puppy.

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MEAL TRAIN

Some of our friends have been having some big physical challenges. We have set up a meal train for some of our members who have experienced some medical challenges lately.

If you would like to signup to provide a meal you can click on the links below and it will take you to an online signup. There are three families. If you are able to help we thank you.



<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a44a4ad2aa13-meal>

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a44a4ad2aa13-meal1>

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/741m58>

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our sympathy is extended to Lloyd Thacher's family. Our prayers are with Lynn Sarvis and her sisters. The memorial service for Lloyd will be July 9th at 11:00. Joe Bancroft is coordinating the luncheon which will follow.

Please pray for:

- ◆ Maddie Smith as she continues her treatment.
- ◆ Shirley Heath who is at MCV.
- ◆ Lewis Bell as he has recurrent cancer.
- ◆ Chris Bates who is undergoing treatment for esophageal cancer.
- ◆ Robin Lorraine who has a brain tumor.

◆ Linda Verheul as she recuperates from back surgery.

◆ Peggy Alcock and Philip Burkhalter are at home.

◆ Carnell Teachey is at the Laurels of Bon Air.

◆ Arlene Blythe's cousin, Terry Tynan and her friend, Donna Leake

◆ Bob McGowan

◆ Gerry Roppe'

◆ Leigh Anne Phan's friend, Ron Evans

◆ Steve Kline's friend, Ed Winfield

◆ Rhonda Ringel's friends, Hailey Lane & Harrison Zierenberg

◆ The Landergan's friend, Dan Bickett

◆ Steve Goff's friend, Beth Ann Molter

◆ Tom Mayfield's friend, Mickey Denke

◆ Shea Hollifield's friend, Denise Ambrose

◆ Dawn Mooney's sister, Debbie Roben

◆ Pete Landergan's friend, Meredith Britton

◆ Guy Barker's brother in law

◆ Steve Blythe's cousin, Brandon Clements

If you would like someone added to our prayer list please contact Kelly at 272-6228 or email her at baccdoc@verizon.net.



The deadline to submit articles for the august newsletter is July 20th.

Thank you!

Kelly Edwards



THANK YOU'S

Dear BACC,

On behalf of the Bon Air Historical Society, we would like to donate \$100 to the church for the use of the buildings and grounds during Victorian Day. We also appreciate the use of the facilities for meetings throught the year.

Thanks,
Jerry Spivey

Dear BACC,

Thank you so much for your quick response and generous donations to assist one of our families in need. The family appreciates it very much. Your donations will help get them back on their feet. It is wonderful for Redd Elementary School to have such a caring community to reach out to in times of crisis.

Sincerely,
Bethany Bushey
Redd Elementary School

Dear Cindy,

Thank you so much for your prayers and visits with mom after her heart attack. Happy to say she's back home at Chesterfield Heights and getting stronger daily. She has enjoyed all the cards and prayers.

With Love,
Kathy Morton

THANK YOU'S (CONT'D)

Dear BACC,
 Thanks to all my friends at Bon Air for the many prayers, cards and concern during my long stay in rehabilitation. It means so much to have so many praying for me.

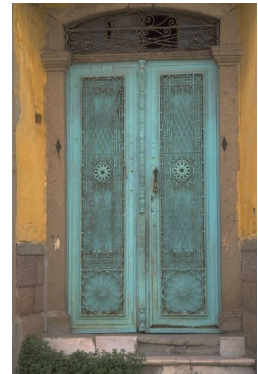
In Christian Love
 Arlette Brown

Dear Pastor,
 Thank you. Sometimes we just don't say it enough. I want to make sure you know how much I—and all the ministries of the general Church—appreciate your congregation's support of Disciples Mission Fund. Your congregation is one of the top 100 for

Per capita giving for this offering as of May 31st.

Because of you, I am thankful.

Rev. Dr. Sharon E. Watkins
 General Minister and President
 Indianapolis, IN



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL **AUGUST 8TH—12TH**

Registration is open for children ages 3 years to rising 6th graders. Children must be potty trained. Nursery is provided for children up to age 2. For more information please contact the church at 272-6228. To register, please fill out the form below and return it to the church office.

Child's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phones – Home: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____

Email Address: _____

Child's Age & Birthday: _____ Last school grade completed: _____

In case of emergency, contact: _____

Relationship to child: _____ Phone: _____

Food Allergies/Other Medical conditions: _____

These persons can pick up this child from VBS:
 (name) (relationship to child)

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Each day we have a color of the day and if your child would like to wear those colors they are:

- Monday - Orange
- Tuesday - Blue
- Wednesday - Red
- Thursday - Yellow
- Friday - Green



On Monday we will be using FABRIC MARKERS please dress child appropriately.

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Vickie Brooks

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Kelly Edwards

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SIGNING UP TO ASSIST SUNDAY MORNING

Each Sunday there is a need for 9 lay members to assist with parts of the service plus children to be acolytes. At each of the 2 services there are 2 greeters, a worship leader, a storyteller and helper for Worship and Wonder.

Summertime is often a time for family vacations. Therefore it is important to consider volunteering for the weekends you are in town. You can use the Sign Up Genius for

these activities. Children who are acolytes contribute a great deal to our Sunday service.

If you are interested but unsure as to what is involved, please contact me by email or phone.

Thank you,
Barbara Bancroft
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Reminder:
If you are busy on Sunday, our Saturday evening casual service begins at 5:00

SERVING SCHEDULE FOR JULY



July 3, 2016

Elders: Joe Bancroft, Paul Seemiller
Deacons: 9:15 (P) Tom Snodgrass, Sam Herrin
10:45 (P) Collin Thomas, Andee Kirk, Cathy Law, Tom Mayfield
Worship Leaders: 9:15 Sam Herrin 10:45 Charles Stevens
Acolyte: 9:15 10:45 Lilly Ver Beek
Worship & Wonder Storyteller: Barbara Bancroft
Worship & Wonder Helper: 9:15 10:45 Lilly Ver Beek
Ushers/Greeters: 9:15 Sam & Carol Herrin
10:45 Tom Neumayer
Offering: Rose McCaferty, Jim McCaferty

July 10, 2016

Elders: Bill Sydnor, Joan Mielke
Deacons: 9:15 (P) Tammy Rucker, Joe Smith
10:45 (P) Collin Thomas, Jerrell Todd, Whitney Graham, Madison Arthur
Worship Leaders 9:15 Barbara Bancroft 10:45 Jim Phifer
Acolyte: 9:15 10:45 Logan Blanchard
Worship & Wonder Storyteller: Anne & Madeline Rucker & Barbara Bancroft
Worship & Wonder Helper: 9:15 Anne & Madeline Rucker
10:45 Joe Bancroft
Ushers/Greeters: 9:15 Jim & Faye Lester 10:45 Anne Heath
Offering: Barbara Bancroft, Kris Shouldice

July 17, 2016

Elders: Rick Bernard, Shea Hollifield
Deacons: 9:15 (P) George Smith, Sandy Collins
10:45 (P) Clairee Cochran, Jake Ver Beek, Laura Hollis, Arlene Giffel
Worship Leaders: 9:15 Cassie Price 10:45 Shea Hollifield
Acolyte: 9:15 10:45 Angel Huff
Worship & Wonder Storyteller:
Worship & Wonder Helper: 9:15 10:45 Gina McKenney
Ushers/Greeters: 9:15 Doug & Cassie Collins, Ron Hill
10:45 Tom Neumayer
Offering: Jean Dowdy, Jean Turlington

July 24, 2016

Elders: Bud Deihl, Duke Dale
Deacons: 9:15 (P) Laura Hollis, Claire Deitch
10:45 (P) Doug White, Polly White, Charles Stevens, Lauren Johnson
Worship Leaders: 9:15 Bud Deihl 10:45 Kitten Whitlow
Acolyte: 9:15 10:45 Jason Williams
Worship & Wonder Storyteller: Gail Macfadden
Worship & Wonder Helper: 9:15 Jean Turlington
10:45 Lora Williams
Ushers/Greeters: 9:15 10:45 Diane Clark
Offering: Arlene Giffel, Laura Hollis


July 31, 2016

Elders: Barbara Bancroft
Deacons: 9:15 (P) Sandy Collins, Tammy Rucker
10:45 (P) Arlene Giffel, Doug White, Claire Deitch, Tom Mayfield
Worship Leaders: 9:15 Steve Goff 10:45 Joe Bancroft
Acolyte: 9:15 Anika & Natasha Tejnecky 10:45 Reese Blanchard
Worship & Wonder Storyteller: Maggie Pace
Worship & Wonder Helper: 9:15 Ben Pace
10:45 Ben Pace & Cecelia Andrick
Ushers/Greeters: 9:15 Steve & Angie Goff
10:45 Tom Neumayer
Offering: Angie and Steve Goff

(P) denotes communion preparation



July 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 5:00 Worship Service
3 9:15 & 10:45 Worship Service	4 	5	6 8:00 Men's Breakfast 7:00 AA, ACA	7	8	9 5:00 Worship Service
10 9:15 & 10:45 Worship Service	11	12	13 8:00 Men's Breakfast 7:00 AA, ACA	14	15 "Just Breathe" Women's Re- treat 15th-17th	16 5:00 Worship Service
17 9:15 & 10:45 Worship Service 11:45 Long Range Planning	18	19 9:15 Youth Leaders Meeting	20 8:00 Men's Breakfast 7:00 AA, ACA	21	22	23 5:00 Worship Service
24 9:15 & 10:45 Worship Service	25	26	27 8:00 Men's Breakfast 7:00 AA, ACA	28	29	30 5:00 Worship Service
31 9:15 & 10:45 Worship Service						