BON AIR CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

NOVEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

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WORSHIP & GROW WITH US:

Sunday Worship:
8:45 a.m. Worship Service &
11:00 a.m. Worship Service (in person and via Zoom)
4:00 p.m. Casual Worship Service

Adult & Youth Sunday School:
10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Prayer and Fellowship:
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

All are welcome!

Christ's Church, Our Church

"Christ is the acknowledged and recognized head of this Church." That's how the Constitution of Bon Air Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) defines the authority that ultimately governs our congregation. This is Christ's Church. We are only stewards.

But we *are* the stewards of it, which means that it's our church, as well - not in the sense of ownership, but in the sense of belonging and responsibility. This is our church, in that we belong to this community of Christ. This is our church, in that we are responsible to be good stewards, good caretakers of this cell of Christ's body.

There are, of course, many ways to contribute to this community - a quick scan through this newsletter or our weekly e-mail will give you plenty of opportunities to be involved. But I want to highlight two upcoming opportunities to share your input and help the congregation discern how best to live out its mission this coming year and beyond.

On **Sunday, November 1st, following the 11:00 a.m. service**, we will have a **congregational input session**. If you haven't already participatd in one of our previous sessions, I hope you'll consider coming to this one and sharing your hopes and dreams for this congregation.

And on **Sunday, November 8th**, we will have our **annual congregational meeting**, an opportunity not only to vote on our 2027 budget and church officers, but also to ask questions and share feedback with other stewards of Christ's church.

This is Christ's church. This is your church. This is our church. We need your voice and your dreams to live out our identity as the Body of Christ, given to the world to share God's love.

Grace + Peace,
David

All Saints

On **Sunday, NOVEMBER 1st**, we will remember the faithful lives of all the saints of Bon Air Christian Church who have passed into God's eternal arms over this past year.

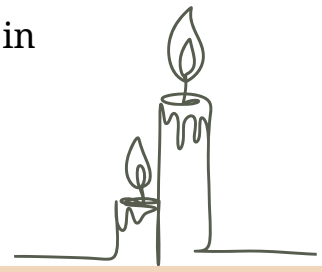
This year, we have grieved the loss and celebrated the lives of friends in our beloved BACC family. We invite you to join us in worship to remember our dear loved ones.

WE REMEMBER

Russell Nunnally
Peg Eagle
Jean Beatley
Scott Hollis
Faye Lester

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
~Romans 8:38-39





"I thank my God every time I remember you."
Philippians 1:3

Looking Ahead

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP

Thursday, November 26th at 8:45 a.m.

potluck brunch to follow.

HELP US DECORATE FOR ADVENT!

Sunday, November 29th, Noon *(light lunch provided)*

(**no Casual worship this Sunday**)

HANGING OF THE GREENS WORSHIP

Sunday, December 6th at 4:00 p.m.

potluck dinner to immediately follow.

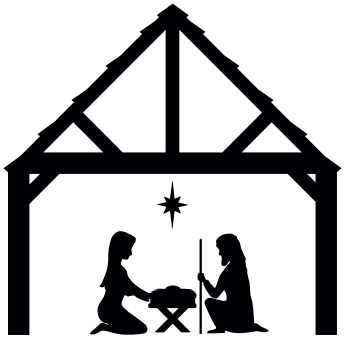
CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Sunday, December 13th at 4:00 p.m.

Fellowship to follow afterwards. More info to come.

BLUE CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

Sunday, December 20th at 4:00 p.m.



CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas Eve Worship services

5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Looking Ahead

OUTREACH FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Our holiday traditions at BACC include helping several families with Thanksgiving food and gifts for their children for Christmas, along with Christmas dinner. There are several ways you support this ministry. The families are referred to us by Bon Air, Crestwood and Redd Elementary Schools, along with a few other families referred to us by various resources. We will be supporting 8-10 families. Here's the info about how you can participate this year.

-Thanksgiving food: From Oct. 25 through Nov. 16, we will collect non-perishable foods listed below, to prepare a Thanksgiving meal for each family. A gift card for a local grocery store is also included, to purchase meat and other perishable foods for the meal. Monetary donations are accepted also (see below about monetary donations). There will be collection boxes outside the church office and outside the Fellowship Hall.

15 oz. cans sweet potatoes
15 oz. cans corn
15 oz. cans green vegetables
14 oz. canned cranberry sauce
Stove Top or other boxed stuffing mix (no bags)
Gravy mix packs or canned gravy (no glass jars)
Box of tea bags
Baking mix, eg., Bisquick, Jiffy Mix
Dessert Mixes: e.g., Cake mix and icing, brownie mix
Vegetable oil

We cannot accept food with expired dates, and all items must be in their original packaging.

-Christmas: For the same families, we will provide Christmas gifts for the children (an outfit, socks & underwear, a toy/special wish, and a book). Gifts for the parents are household paper and cleaning products. Individuals or families can start signing up for gifts Nov. 22, either online or through gift tag trees outside the Fellowship Hall. Some folks sign up to provide one gift, some do several. Please know that all gifts make a difference. We will also need wrapping paper, gift bags or boxes and gifts for the families. There will be tree tags for these items. The families will receive a grocery gift card to purchase food for Christmas dinner. All gifts must be returned to the church, unwrapped, to the trees outside the Fellowship Hall by Dec. 6.

Monetary gifts are welcome for Thanksgiving and Christmas, and can be made at one time for both holidays. Make checks payable to BACC, with "Holiday Families" in the memo.

What's Happening

LIBERATION VETERAN SERVICES PROJECT

We will have another multi-generational opportunity to cook and serve dinner to homeless Veterans early in 2027, keep on eye on emails for details. All are invited to help.
If you are interested in helping in any way, or would like to get more involved with LVS, please contact Jeff Branyon.

Here is a list of needed supplies from the LVS website:

SMALL ITEMS
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Bleach
- Pine-Sol
- Anti-Bacterial Wipes
- Laundry & Dish Detergent
- 55 Gallon Trash Bags
- Hand Soap
- Shelf-stable Food and Snacks

MICROAPARTMENT ITEMS
- Sheet sets XL Twin bed – white
- Mattress Pads for XL Twin bed – white
- Small Bathroom Rugs – navy (with non-slip backing)
- Bed Pillows
- Show curtains (navy blue) and liners (white or clear) with hooks

PERSONAL ITEMS
- New Socks/T-shirts/ Undergarments
- Toiletries

LIBERATION VETERAN SERVICES

CHILI COOK OFF - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



This is CWF's biggest fundraiser for the year. And we're changing things up. The doors will open at 5:00 pm. From 5:00 to 5:45 will be the chili tasting and voting. We have three categories for the chili entries: Mild, Spicy, and Alternative (white chili, etc.) At 5:45 dinner will begin. There will be a Salad Bar, Mac & Cheese, Cornbread and desserts and of course chili. Leftover food will be sold at the end of the event. Ruth Ann Bates is in charge of the chili. Let her know if you want to enter a chili. (batesruthann4@gmail.com)

We are also having a raffle. Andee Kirk made and donated a beautiful quilt. It's the Grinch Stole Christmas on one side and snowmen on the other side. So be sure to buy a raffle ticket. The Silent Auction will run from 5:00 to 8:00. Most of the items we auction off are items members or their friends have made or baked. Arlene Giffel is in charge of the auction this year. Please let her know if you have something to donate. (arlenegiffel74@yahoo.com)

The Chili Cook-off is still just $5.00 a person/$20.00 a family. You do not have to be a member to attend or donate. So come to visit, eat, and spend money. It's for a good cause.

What's Happening

CROP WALK - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH

12:30 P.M. GATHERING, 1:00 P.M. WALK BEGINS

It's almost time for BACC to defend our title for the "Golden Sneaker!" The annual CWS Crop Walk is a community-wide event that raises funds to end hunger and poverty locally and globally. It is an event where we join other Bon Air churches, walk, donate food and raise money for our brothers and sisters in need.

We hope you will mark your calendar and join us for the walk this year. You can sign up with the QR code here:

NEW THIS YEAR!
Sign up to walk with us & get a new BACC t-shirt! We will all wear these as we walk on November 15th.
If you can't walk, you can also make a $25 donation to CROP Walk & receive a t-shirt!





PARENTS' NIGHT OUT - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Parents, you deserve a little time for yourselves! Parents' Night Out is the perfect opportunity to drop off the kids for an evening of fun, games, and activities while you enjoy a few hours to relax, have dinner, catch a movie, get some Christmas shopping done or simply enjoy a quiet evening. We'll take care of the fun while you take a well-deserved break!

We can't wait to spend the evening with your kiddos! Dinner will be provided.

You can register here: You can register here: https://bit.ly/2026PNO or scan QR code below. Spots are limited.



Fun and Fellowship

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Men's Fellowship Opportunities for November 2026.

Wednesday – November 4th - 11:30 AM – Men's Lunch at Joe's Inn Bon Air. Reserved seating. Contact Tom Snodgrass to reserve your seat at the table. tesnodgras@aol.comor call/text 804-370-5279.

Wednesday – November 11th, 18th & 25th - 9:15 AM – ROMEOs Breakfast at Joe's Inn Bon Air. Open seating. Yes, we will gather in fellowship the day before Thanksgiving.

CANCELLED. Men's Dinner for November. This fellowship event is normally held on the third Thursday of each month (Nov 19). Instead, the men are invited to attend the CWF Chili Cook Off on Saturday, Nov 14th at 5 PM.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

I know November is a busy month, but I hope you make time for CWF. The Day Group meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10:30 am in the Multi-Purpose Room. So our next meeting will be November 10. Don't forget our service projects: canned goods for the Bainbridge food pantry and gift cards (Target, Wal-Mart, Food Lion, etc.) for the Women's Shelter of the Richmond YWCA. After the meeting, it's out to lunch at O'Tooles on Forest Hill. April 21-24, 2027 is our annual Spring Beach Trip to Nag's Head next year. February 14, 2027 is our outing to the ballet.

The CWF Salad Group will meet on November 12th. They get together at 5:30 pm for a potluck salad. The meeting (and Zoom) start at 6:30. They are using the Just Women Bible Study, "Living Abundant Life", published by the International Disciples Women's Ministry. Ethiopia is the country of study. The service project this year is The Ministry Church. New members are welcome! Contact Cathy Law if you need the Zoom link.

The Book Study Day CWF Group will meet on November 19th at 11:00 am at Andee Kirk's home (906 Buford Oaks Circle, N. Chesterfield). They use the book Bible Women by Lindsay Freeman. This month's lesson will be on Samson's wife starting on page 160. Her story can also be found in Judges chapters 14-15.

~ Jamie McDonald

"If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another."
1 John 1:7

Advent

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

Advent Devotionals are due November 13th!

As we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ, we invite you to ake part in a special BACC tradition - our Advent Devotional Book. Each year, members of our congregation write reflections that inspire and bless others throughout this sacred season. This Advent, we'll be listening for the voice of the angels. While the word "angel" often conjures up a beatific human, perhaps a child, with dove-like wings, the biblical word simply means "messenger." Sometimes God's messengers appear as humans; sometimes as a voice that only the listener can hear; sometimes as a terrifying creature with many wings and eyes (no wonder they have to spend so much time saying "Don't be afraid!"). In our Advent devotional this year, we invite you to pick a day and either reflect on the angelic scripture passage for that day, OR share with us an "angel" story. See the Wednesday email for the sign-up link or just call the church office if you'd like to contribute!

ADVENT STUDY

This Advent, our special study will focus on the theme words we associate with each week of Advent - hope, peace, joy, and love. What did these words mean in their original biblical language and context? We'll be using vidoes and study resources from The Bible Project, which produces scholarship and animated videos to help read the Bible as a unified story that leads us to Jesus. You can find the written resources we'll be using at bibleproject.com/guides/advent - and if you want to take a sneak peak at the video for each week, you can find them all at bibleproject.com/videos/collections/advent.

There will be two opportunities to participate in the Advent study - one in-person option and one online option. If you are planning to participate in the study, PLEASE let David know which of the following times would work best for you!

Online options: Wednesday 5:30 p.m. -or- Wednesday 7:00 p.m. -or- Thursday 6:00 p.m.
In-person options: Wednesday 10:00 a.m. -or- Thursday 10:00 a.m.



Please RSVP to David know by November 22nd.

The study will begin on December 2nd or 3rd, depending on the day/time that will work for the largest number of participants.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."
Romans 15:13