

May 2, 2018

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Sundays

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship



GRACE

Baptist Church

WORSHIP

Sunday, May 6
Easter VI

"Jesus Interrupts Again"
Acts 10:44-48

Sunday, May 13
Ascension Sunday
Ephesians 1:15-23



Last Sunday was a great day at Grace Baptist Church! Thank you to all who gathered to hear reflections from our Puerto Rico mission team. If you missed it, you can [watch the amazing video](#) of our trip, created by Chad and Jesse Hudson. Many thanks to all those who participated in mapping our assets during lunch! It was amazing to see all the

assets among us and how you dreamed of connecting and mobilizing them for ministry! The ideas you came up with will be shared with our This is Grace Task Force as we discern where God is leading us as a congregation! We continue to provide welcome and hospitality to our CARITAS guests this week and to hold them in our prayers. Each time we host CARITAS, I am amazed at all the ways you share of your gifts to turn our church into a home for those experiencing homelessness. Thank you to all who have showed up, shared dollars, and connected your gifts with our guests this week!



May 6th Following Worship - Lunch & Trip to Loving Acres lovingacres.com



The animal place that puts a smile on your face.

We'll be traveling to Loving Acres, home to goats, sheep, pigs and more! We'll visit the little farm, feed and pet the animals and watch them play for a scheduled visit following our boxed lunch in the Fellowship Hall. **Please let Suzanne know if you'll be joining the fun by Friday, May 4th so we have the right number of lunches. Each family**

must sign a waiver, naming each who will be traveling to the farm. Waivers are available at church on the children's bulletin board. We'll drive separately to Loving Acres, located at [10800 Chalkley Road, RVA 23237](#) ((located near a residential area)) and from there we'll return to our homes to rest and play. Ginny Wagg will be our facilitator for this time of gathered fun!

Our next newsletter will be published May 9th

The deadline for submissions is Monday, May 7th

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or email us at office@gbconline.org

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Meetings:

May 6
 Deacon Meeting
 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

May 7
 Meeting with Paragon Financial

May 22
 Refugee Commission Meeting
 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Do you have contact information that needs to be updated? Email changes to office@gbconline.org.

<u>May</u>	<u>Sundays</u>	<u>May Birthdays</u>																														
May 6 Youth Serve at Westminster 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm Sound Board Training 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship																															
May 13 Grace on Tap: Center of the Universe 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	<u>Wednesdays</u> 12:00 pm Bible Brunch Buddies 4:30 pm Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal																															
May 16 Sew Blessed Sewing Group 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm The Variety Show 6:15 pm – 7:15 pm	5:15 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal 5:45 pm Dinner 6:30 pm The Welcome Table 7:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<table border="1"> <tr><td>Archie Yeatts</td><td style="text-align: center;">1</td></tr> <tr><td>Benjamin Blakley</td><td style="text-align: center;">3</td></tr> <tr><td>Patrick Blackburn</td><td style="text-align: center;">4</td></tr> <tr><td>Beverly Pugh</td><td style="text-align: center;">8</td></tr> <tr><td>Angela Jones</td><td style="text-align: center;">14</td></tr> <tr><td>Maurianne Roberson</td><td style="text-align: center;">16</td></tr> <tr><td>Wayne Schneider</td><td style="text-align: center;">20</td></tr> <tr><td>Bibi Sweeney</td><td style="text-align: center;">20</td></tr> <tr><td>Alessia Giusti</td><td style="text-align: center;">21</td></tr> <tr><td>Nancye Rhodenhiser</td><td style="text-align: center;">22</td></tr> <tr><td>Sam Timberlake</td><td style="text-align: center;">23</td></tr> <tr><td>Lois France – 100th Birthday</td><td style="text-align: center;">24</td></tr> <tr><td>John Mizell</td><td style="text-align: center;">28</td></tr> <tr><td>Matthew Paxton</td><td style="text-align: center;">28</td></tr> <tr><td>Alexander Miles</td><td style="text-align: center;">31</td></tr> </table>	Archie Yeatts	1	Benjamin Blakley	3	Patrick Blackburn	4	Beverly Pugh	8	Angela Jones	14	Maurianne Roberson	16	Wayne Schneider	20	Bibi Sweeney	20	Alessia Giusti	21	Nancye Rhodenhiser	22	Sam Timberlake	23	Lois France – 100 th Birthday	24	John Mizell	28	Matthew Paxton	28	Alexander Miles	31
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The Welcome Table Menu

Weekly Wednesday meals are scheduled from September to mid-June.
Reservations are requested. Sign up on the hall table next to the Church Office or with our online form found on our Facebook page.
 The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children (ages 3-11).

May 2 CARITAS Meal By Seventh Street Christian Church 5:45 pm	May 9 Meal By Sam: Sloppy Joes, Tater Tots, Salad and Dessert 5:45 pm	May 16 Jason's Deli Pasta Bar 5:45 pm
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**GBC Variety Show
Wednesday, May 16**

6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 16 for our annual GBC Variety Show, which will take place in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m, following our meal. This is your opportunity to share your talents, hobbies, interests, and gifts with your church family. When we say Variety Show, we mean VARIETY! Past "acts" have included singing, dancing, martial arts demonstration, magic tricks, joke-telling, storytelling, pet tricks, a lizard fashion show (No kidding. This really happened.), skits, slide shows of photography, displays of all kinds of visual arts and crafts, unicycle riding, fancy jump roping... you get the idea. Variety. Solo acts as well as collaboration are welcome. So that we can have time for as many to share as possible, please keep acts to 3-4- minutes.

Please sign-up on the Variety Show sheet outside the church office OR [online](#). Remember to sign up for the meal as well if you want to enjoy food and fellowship as well as the Variety Show. Invite your friends and family to attend!

Caritas Families Have Arrived to Grace



April 28 - May 5

The dinner menu for the remainder of the week is here for your consumption (pun intended):

Wednesday night - chili by 7th Street Christian Church
Thursday night - pizza by Cool Spring Baptist Church
Friday night - chicken Alfredo by Missions Commission

Calling all Nursery Volunteers for Spring & Summer!

We need care givers for the youngest among us on Sundays during the Sunday School Hour and during the Worship Hour. Your presence, time, and attention to these sweet children provides care directly to these children and the families. WE are looking for a full slate of volunteers. If you can help for even one hour a month as a second to our Nursery Care Worker, we would be so appreciative. Please sign up to provide Nursery Care by adding your name to the [Google Drive Sign Up Sheet](#).

To volunteer with any children and youth at Grace, you are required to have a background check. All results are confidential and any information shared is shredded once the check has been filed. To have a background check, forms are located in the nursery suite on the bulletin board and can be returned to Suzanne's box in the office. Thank you for extending your care in this way.

Youth Schedule

May 6	Youth Serve at Westminster	12-3 pm
May 20	Cake Auction	12-3 pm



Grace on Tap

Join us for conversations on faith the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 6:00 pm

May 13

Center of the Universe

11293 Air Park Rd, Ashland, VA 23005

**Oregon Hill
Baptist Center**



Mission Madness
April 13—14, 2018

6 Teens and 2 Adults will be attending a local youth mission retreat called Mission Madness. The cost is \$55.00 per person. Any donations towards this event would be greatly appreciated.

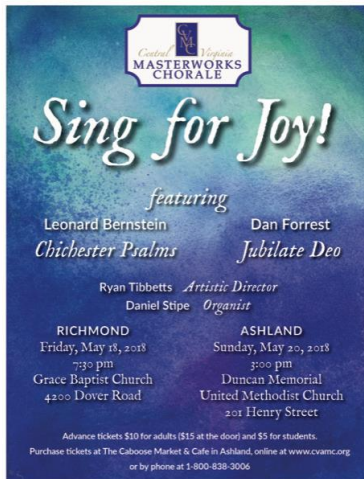
Please,
NO CHILDREN'S or
WOMEN'S Clothes at
this time.

**MEN'S
SPRING AND SUMMER
CLOTHES NEEDED**

- T-shirts
- Jeans (Especially sizes 32—36)
- Khakis
- Shorts
- Tennis Shoes
- NEW! Men's Underwear

COMMUNITY MISSIONARY - REV. JENNIFER TURNER
400 South Pine Street Richmond, VA 23224
(Located in Pine Street Baptist Church)
jennifer.turner@rbaonline.org (804-648-1353)

**Masterworks Chorale to Perform "Sing For Joy" at Grace Baptist
May 18, 2018**



Sing for Joy!

featuring
Leonard Bernstein Chichester Psalms
Dan Forrest Jubilate Deo

Ryan Tibbetts Artistic Director
Daniel Stipe Organist

<p>RICHMOND Friday, May 18, 2018 7:30 pm Grace Baptist Church 4200 Dover Road</p>	<p>ASHLAND Sunday, May 20, 2018 3:00 pm Duncan Memorial United Methodist Church 201 Henry Street</p>
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Advance tickets \$10 for adults (\$15 at the door) and \$5 for students.
Purchase tickets at The Caboose Market & Cafe in Ashland, online at www.cvamc.org
or by phone at 1-800-838-3006

The Central VA Masterworks Chorale is excited to return to Grace Baptist Church on Friday, May 18, at 7:30pm. The Chorale will present "Sing For Joy!", featuring Leonard Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms" and Dan Forrest's "Jubilate Deo". Renowned Richmond organist, Daniel Stipe, will also perform. Artistic Director, Ryan Tibbetts, again takes the podium to conduct the Chorale and the orchestra.

The world premiere of Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms" took place in 1965 in New York's Philharmonic Hall, directed by the composer himself. The Forrest "Jubilate Deo" (Be Joyful in the Lord) is a contemporary piece set in seven different languages, including Latin, Hebrew, Arabic, Mandarin Chinese, Zulu, and Spanish. Each movement combines some of the characteristics of its language-group's musical culture, and closes with a movement combining several of these languages with English.

Please plan to attend and enjoy the classical as well as the contemporary with your entire family! Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door, and \$5 for students. Tickets are available at The Caboose Market & Cafe in Ashland, online at the Chorale's website, www.cvamc.org, by phone at 1-800-838-3006, or from any Chorale member.

For questions or more information, please contact Becky Severin, Chorale President, at rvseverin@gmail.com or call 804-798-3999

Save the Date

May 20 Lunch and Cake Auction following worship
Supports Youth Summer Camps and Missions

Deacon of the Week
Crystal Bayles Lennon
(919)272-3953

EXTENSION MEMBER
Catherine Carter
10300 Three Chopt Road
Apartment 213
Richmond, VA 23238



CHURCH FAMILY MATTERS
Wednesday, May 2, 2018

Extension Members

(Please send a note or make a phone call to these members. Contact information is in the church directory.)

Catherine Carter
Lois France
Nell Hobson
Shirley Lam

Members with Continuing Needs

Mac Angell
Dara Fennell Baker
Brynna Boykin-Carter
Bill Ford
Joe Furio
Denyse Hunt
John Luck
Wade McGinley
Beverly Pugh
Jim Rothrock
Maurianne Roberson

JOYS AND PRAISES

We celebrate **Taylor Dail** and **Faith Walker** joining Grace Baptist on April 29, 2018!
7181 New Hunter Road, Mechanicsville, 23111

We celebrate the birth of Harper Paige Mizell, daughter of Paige and Sarah Mizell, granddaughter of **John** and **Anna Marie Mizell**, born on Saturday, April 28th.
4302 Oxford Circle, Richmond, VA 23221

We celebrate the ordination of **Bryce Williams** to gospel ministry on Sunday, April 22nd.
2011 Idlewood Avenue, Richmond, VA 23220

FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF GRACE WITH CURRENT CONCERNS

Barbara Hughes is hospitalized at Henrico Doctors Hospital. They are running tests.
7500 Donder Road, Richmond, VA 23294

Sandy Wynne is recovering from hospitalization over the weekend.
9150 Gregory Drive, North Chesterfield, VA 23236

Mike Everhart, GBC regular visitor, recovering from hip replacement surgery at St. Mary's on April 30th.
7504 Donder Road, Henrico, VA 23294

Edith Carter, mother of **David Carter**, recovering at home from broken tailbone.
8610 Freestone Avenue, Richmond, VA 23229

Mac Angell moved to the Laurels of Bon Air in Room 210.
9101 Bon Air Crossings Drive, Richmond, VA 23235

Melissa Walker, cousin of **Deb Loftis**, hospitalized at St. Mary's with complications from epilepsy.
1505 Sunset Lane, Richmond, VA 23221

Christian Sympathy is extended to...

Joe Furio in the passing of aunt, Rose Regina, after a long battle with Alzheimer's. She was 77 years old.
309 East Brookland Park Boulevard, Richmond, VA 23222

Friends and Family of Grace Who Value Prayers

- ❖ Kathryn Beaver, niece of **Crystal Bayles Lennon**, recovering from surgery March 28 for stage 3 thyroid cancer. *7709 Bransford Drive, Henrico, VA 23228*
- ❖ **Jane McNeil** recovering from broken ankle. *524 Williamsdale Drive, North Chesterfield, VA 23235*
- ❖ Brad Sullivan, son of **Margaret and David Sullivan**, scheduled for open heart surgery on May 17th. *8 North Street, Erving, MA 01344*
- ❖ Jeanette Carey, mother of **Faith Dickerson**, at Autumn Care Rehab for broken hip. *7600 Autumn Park Way Room 415, Mechanicsville, VA 23111*
- ❖ Becky M. Dale, sister in law of **Terry Cavet**, (married to Terry's brother, Mike Dale, a former member of GBC), is in process of chemotherapy for Multiple Myeloma stage 1-2 and squamous cell skin cancer on nose. *P.O. Box 14555 Richmond, VA 23221*
- ❖ Joe Banks, grandson of **Susanne Freeman**, has been diagnosed with Hepatitis C.
- ❖ Tyler Etchison, nephew of **Wanda Sauley Fennell**, in treatment for several health problems.
- ❖ Nancy Wretschko, cousin of **Mac Angell**, of Toledo, OH, is undergoing radiation treatments
- ❖ Mary Rounds - 2 year old daughter of friend of the **Fennells**, will be going to *Children's Hospital in Philadelphia* with lifelong unexplained problems that prevent weight gain.
- ❖ Greg and Sandra Ferguson, friends of **Susanne Freeman & Phil Hale**. Sandra, 53, continues decline from Alzheimer's.
- ❖ Richard Pittman, cousin of **Mac Angell**, showing the first stages of Parkinson's.
- ❖ Suzanne Belongia, mother of **Lisa Webb**, has been approved for a kidney transplant and is now officially on the waiting list. Home address: *7700 Lazy Creek Court, Prospect, KY 40059*
- ❖ Sunshine Rae Hughes, infant daughter of Ricky Hughes, great-great niece of **Barbara Hughes** and **Jane Moody** has hypertrophic cardiomyopathy.
- ❖ Lois Levison, having health issues. Mother of **Linda Levison**.
- ❖ Steve Lowry, brother-in-law of **Pam Geib**, has polymyalgia rheumatica and multiple myeloma.
- ❖ Morton Baldwin, father of **Robin Baldwin** is struggling with health issues and dementia.
- ❖ Marcia Cole, sister of **Wade McGinley** is experiencing multiple health issues.
- ❖ Bobby Dean, brother-in-law of **Susan McGinley** has Parkinson's disease.
- ❖ Chuck Holmes, prostate cancer; Sarah Holmes, wife of Chuck, sister of **Priscilla Biddle** has migraines.
- ❖ Sydney Hughes, granddaughter of **Barbara Hughes** has Tuberous Sclerosis.

RECENT VISITORS IN WORSHIP

Please pick up a copy of Church Family Matters outside the church office for more information on recent GBC visitors.

Please add / remove names by contacting the church office at 804-353-0134 or gbchurch@gbconline.org.

Current GBC Missions

Camp Alkulana, CARITAS, Children Incorporated, Christian Education Center "Diamond" Poland, Hands Up Ministries, Hope Tree, Oregon Hill Baptist Center (RCFN), Grace Baptist Church Institute, Monrovia- Liberia, Liberation Veteran Services, Heifer International, The Shepherd Center.

SUNDAY RESPONSIBILITIES

Sunday, May 6

Acolyte: Sierra Blakley
 Childcare Workers:
 Sunday School:
 Worship:
 Chimer:
 Deacon of the Week: Crystal Lennon
 Extension Member: Catherine Carter
 Greeters/Ushers:
 Bob Hamlet
 Karen Hamlet
 Lisa Webb
 Tina Webb
 Money Counters:
 Jackie Brooks
 Cheryl Crawford
 Tina Webb
 Opener/Closer: Chad Hudson
 Sound System: Bryan Jewell

Sunday, May 13

Acolyte: Braeden Forester
 Childcare Workers:
 Sunday School:
 Worship:
 Chimer: Alison Jewell
 Deacon of the Week: Linda Welch
 Extension Member: Lois France
 Greeters/Ushers:
 Cheryl Crawford
 Susanne Freeman
 Joe Griffin
 Jenny Griffin
 Money Counters:
 Jenny Griffin
 Joe Griffin
 Marilyn Hunter
 Opener/Closer: Jesse Kent
 Sound System: Chad Hudson

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:

Giving Opportunities 2018:	\$412,816.00
Total Gifts Given 2018:	\$133,399.33
Remaining Giving Opportunity	\$279,416.67
<u>April 29</u>	
Gifts given:	\$4,952.46
Other Income:	\$1,505.03

PLEASE NOTE

- Outside the office you can find:
- Church Budget
 - Birthdays (May)
 - Church Directory
 - Church Newsletter (Weekly)
 - SIGN UP SHEETS