

June 27, 2018

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Sundays

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship



GRACE
Baptist Church

WORSHIP

Sunday, July 1

“Interruptions”

Mark 5:21-37

Rev. Courtney Allen

Sunday, July 8

“Shake It Off”

Mark 6:1-13

Rev. Dr. Lisa Webb

Last Sunday at the end of a full worship service in which we dedicated new paraments and commissioned our Passport Youth Mission team, our brother, Bill Ford, came forward to request our prayers. Ultimately, in sharing of his own need for support and prayers, Bill gifted all those gathered with encouragement and blessing. Thank you, Bill, for your witness, your love, and your faithfulness through these many years. And thank you for sharing these words with us:

Friends, I still desire your prayers each day. They’ve brought me this far through life. If I live to the 27th of July, I’ll be 95 years old. It is only God’s grace that has brought me this far. I just ask that you continue prayer. I have a friend now who is losing her memory, and it’s been awful hard for me. And I am more or less the caretaker, but I don’t take any credit whatsoever. It is God’s work that we are doing and your prayers that will help. May Jesus Christ have his mercy upon this church and each one of you.

May your hearts be filled with his joy, his glory, praise, and his hope. And for those that have the heavy hearts that he will be with each and every one of you and bless you in the only way that you can be blessed by the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you, thank you, and thank you.



Our next newsletter will be published July 3rd

The deadline for submissions is Monday, July 2nd

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Meetings:

July 15
 Missions Commission Meeting
 12:00 pm in Room 4
 Deacon Meeting
 12:00 pm in Fellowship Hall

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

<p><u>July</u></p> <p>July 4 Independence Day Church Office Closed</p> <p>July 8 Grace on Tap: Strangeways Brewing 6:00 pm Youth Boys' and Girls' Night 6:00 pm</p> <p>July 16 Flying Squirrels Baseball Game 6:35 pm</p> <p>July 18 Senior Adults to the Valentine 10:00 am</p>	<p><u>Sundays</u></p> <p>9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship</p> <p><u>Wednesdays</u></p> <p>Wednesday activities will resume in September. Stay tuned for Summer opportunities.</p>	<p><u>July Birthdays</u></p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>James Bachtell</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>Ginny Wagg</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>Trainor Caumont</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>Ann Luck</td><td>7</td></tr> <tr><td>Davis Smith, Jr.</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>Graeme Biddle</td><td>11</td></tr> <tr><td>Cora Vinson</td><td>12</td></tr> <tr><td>Robert Wynne</td><td>13</td></tr> <tr><td>Bryan Jewell</td><td>17</td></tr> <tr><td>Cheryl Crawford</td><td>20</td></tr> <tr><td>Bill Rhodenhiser</td><td>21</td></tr> <tr><td>David Fauri</td><td>22</td></tr> <tr><td>Scudder Wagg</td><td>25</td></tr> <tr><td>Kristen Bailey-Hardy</td><td>26</td></tr> <tr><td>Madonna Byrkeland</td><td>26</td></tr> <tr><td>Bailey Hardy</td><td>26</td></tr> <tr><td>Bill Ford</td><td>27</td></tr> <tr><td>Suzanne Vinson</td><td>27</td></tr> </table>	James Bachtell	3	Ginny Wagg	3	Trainor Caumont	4	Ann Luck	7	Davis Smith, Jr.	10	Graeme Biddle	11	Cora Vinson	12	Robert Wynne	13	Bryan Jewell	17	Cheryl Crawford	20	Bill Rhodenhiser	21	David Fauri	22	Scudder Wagg	25	Kristen Bailey-Hardy	26	Madonna Byrkeland	26	Bailey Hardy	26	Bill Ford	27	Suzanne Vinson	27
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Sing! Play! Summer!

We have booklets in the hall for any who want to experience reflections and recipes linked to songs created by the Salt.org house band Butterflyfish. These booklets have simple, achievable activities for folks to enjoy. You can find the songs [here](#).

New Green Paraments



“What are paraments?” you may be asking. Paraments are the hangings on the altar, pulpit, and lectern, which “clothe” or vest the central furnishings of the chancel. This year the Worship Commission has been working on procuring new green and white paraments, as our current sets are quite tattered after many years of use. Green is the liturgical color used during the Season after Epiphany and the Season after Pentecost, in which we currently find ourselves in the liturgical calendar. There are more “green” Sundays than any other throughout the year. Liturgical artist, Jeff Wunrow, has listened to our ideas, looked at photographs of our worship space, and created a beautiful design for us. We have received the green set, which you will see this Sunday morning. The new paraments include five unique pieces for the front of the altar, which can be used all together, three at a time, one singular piece at a time, or

some other combination. The five pieces will give us the flexibility to vary the look of the altar throughout the long stretches of “ordinary time.” We give thanks for these new paraments, purchased with Marion Ferguson Memorial Fund. They will enhance our worship experience for many years to come! The white paraments are in the final planning stages and will soon be ordered!



A New Sunday School Class is Forming!

Beginning in July, a new class is gathering to talk about what we believe and how we live out our faith, and learn from one another about what it means to be a Christian in today's world. This class, **Discover Grace**, is a great place for newer members and friends of GBC to gather and explore their faith together, for parents who want to engage in faith conversations, and for anyone who is interested in sharing their experiences and learning from the faith journeys of others. The class will meet on Sunday mornings at 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. in classroom 4 (the classroom closest to the church office, look for the sign on the door!). Coffee will be ready for you! We will be using the book, "Becoming a Thinking Christian" by John Cobb as our guide. The book will be available for purchase in the church office for \$8 and during the first class. The Jubilee class will also be reading the same book during July. Join us for a summer of discovery and growing in our faith at GBC! For questions about the new class - please contact Lisa Webb at lisawebbrva@gmail.com, or by phone at (804)586-5122.



Join us on July 16 at the Diamond when the Squirrels take on Erie.

First pitch at 6:35 pm

Sign up outside of church office or email at office@gbconline.org.

\$5 per person.

Youth Schedule

July 8	Girls and Boys Night	6-8 pm
July 10	Youth Tuesday Gathering	6-8 pm
July 12	Shalom Farms	11:30-4:30 pm
July 15	Rock Climbing	3-6 pm

Youth Girls' Night Sunday, July 8, 2018

On Sunday, July 8th from 6-8 p.m. The youth girls and their parents are invited to join Suzanne in her Northside RVA studio to create art based on their experiences and expressions of love. There will be a time of guided prayer as guided imagery and we'll share creative time together. Bring a smock or wear clothes you can paint in.



About the Studio ... The studio is located at [3421 Hawthorne Avenue, RVA 23222](https://www.google.com/maps/place/3421+Hawthorne+Avenue,+Richmond,+VA+23222) in the Lewis Ginter Recreation Association building. There is on street parking. Enter through the front orange doors and travel all the way upstairs and into the Art Studio to the right. A map can be found on silvertreeart.com.



Youth Boys' Night Sunday, July 8, 2018



On July 8th from 6-8 pm, the youth boys will gather for a night of laser tag at g-force! Students and adults should meet at G force, 4245 Carolina Avenue, with \$20 ready to have some fun! Can't wait to see you all there!

Bible Brunch Buddies Summer Excursions July 18

Valentine Museum
Monumental: Richmond's Monuments (1607-2018)
Guided tour of the Wickham House and Lunch



10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Meet at GBC at 10:00 am
\$15 per person

Please sign up outside of church office, by phone, or by email at office@gbconline.org.



Grace on Tap

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

July 8

Strangeways Brewing
2277 Dabney Road, Richmond, VA 23230

July 22

Ardent Craft Ales
3200 W Leigh Street, Richmond, VA 23230

Save the Date! Summer FX 2018



Deacon of the Week

Chris Baker
(804)743-8949

EXTENSION MEMBER

Nell Hobson
9100 Bon Air Crossings Drive
Apartment 341
North Chesterfield, VA 23235



CHURCH FAMILY MATTERS

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Extension Members

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

Catherine Carter
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

Congratulations to Tricia Dunlap and Ken Cossaboon on their engagement!
2418 East Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23223

FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF GRACE WITH CURRENT CONCERNS

Joan Vinson, mother of **Richard Vinson**, recovering from a stroke.

Ann Luck is recovering from broken leg and is in rehab.
14215 Foliage Court, Midlothian, VA 23112

Nancy Nash, daughter of **Ron Gotschalk**, diagnosed with Stage III breast cancer. Will start chemotherapy on Thursday, June 21.
14065 Big Bear Court, Montpelier, VA 23192

Jeanette Carey, mother of **Faith Dickerson**, is in hospice care at Autumn Care.
8277 Fort Myers Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23116

Jenall Brock, **Maurianne Roberson's** caregiver and friend, being treated for pancreatic cancer.
1726 Pulliam Street, Richmond, VA 23235

Mac Angell hospitalized at Johnston Willis and having additional surgery on his foot.
9101 Bon Air Crossings Drive, Richmond, VA 23235

Christian Sympathy is extended to...

Susan Hebel and family in the death of her uncle, Fred Thompson, 97, and her aunt Alta Evans, 95.
5114 Old Main Street, Henrico, VA 23231

Friends and Family of Grace Who Value Prayers

- ❖ Dan (Danny) Harris, being treated for metastasized malignant melanoma. *Danny Harris, 364 Ward Lane, Mathews, VA 23109*
- ❖ Brad Sullivan, son of **Margaret and David Sullivan**, is home, recovering from open heart surgery on May 24th. *8 North Street, Erving, MA 01344*
- ❖ Remember GBC friend, **Jane Taylor**, formerly of Dorridge Methodist Church in England, in prayer as she mourns the recent death of her husband, John.
James Cottage, 6298 Toodyay Road, PO Box 417, Toodyay, Western Australia 6566
- ❖ Russ Owen, 35 year old, friend of the **Allen's**, being treated for advanced tongue cancer at MD. Anderson.
- ❖ 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

<u>Sunday, July 1</u>	<u>Sunday, July 8</u>
Acolyte: Reagan Hardy	Acolyte: Kaya Forester
Childcare Workers: Sunday School: Sallie Cross Worship: Sallie Cross	Childcare Workers: Sunday School: Worship:
Chimer: Orion Spiridopoulos	Chimer: Jackson Smith
Deacon of the Week: Chris Baker	Deacon of the Week: Elaine Yeatts
Extension Member: Nell Hobson	Extension Member: Shirley Lam
Greeters/Ushers: Bob Hamlett Karen Hamlett Lisa Webb Tina Webb	Greeters/Ushers: Cheryl Crawford Susanne Freeman Joe Griffin Jenny Griffin
Money Counters: Jackie Brooks Sharon Whitlock Tina Webb	Money Counters: Jenny Griffin Joe Griffin Marilyn Hunter
Opener/Closer: Brian Hill	Opener/Closer: Chad Hudson
Sound System: Bryan Jewell	Sound System: Chad Hudson

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:

Giving Opportunities 2018:	\$412,816.00
Total Gifts Given 2018:	\$192,540.80
Remaining Giving Opportunity	\$220,275.20
<u>June 24</u>	
Gifts given:	\$13,635.00
Other Income:	\$150.00

PLEASE NOTE

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