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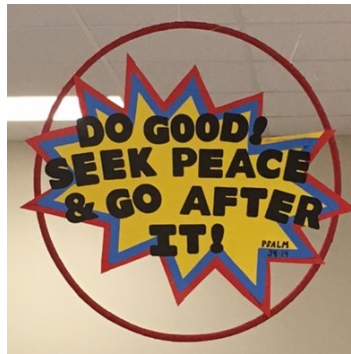
Carrying the Most Important  
Message to the World.

## Curt's Corner

It feels strange this week being in the office -- and not watching little children run all over our campus! I thoroughly enjoyed my first Vacation Bible School at Goochland Baptist Church last weekend. I'm so grateful for Crystal Waldrop and her hard work in ensuring the week was such a positive experience for the over 60 children who joined us each day. It's my prayer is that the stories we taught and the love we showed will prepare these kids for a lifetime with Christ.

I'm also grateful for all of our volunteers. I was amazed to learn that four or five of you took time off work to help in VBS! We couldn't have done it without you.

On Sunday, August 6, I'll begin a new sermon series entitled "Finding Our Roots." It seems like everyone these days is trying to discover who they are -- whether it's through studying their family ancestry, mailing off a saliva swab for a DNA test, or reaching out to lost family members. In many ways, that's exactly why Genesis was written -- to show us where we came from. As we read through the beginning of Genesis, we'll not only discover profound truths about ourselves, but we'll also learn truths about God. Over the following six weeks, we'll study the key stories in the first eleven chapters of the Bible. I'm really excited about this series. I hope you'll join us on Sunday mornings.



"Remember,  
our Message is not  
about ourselves;  
we're proclaiming  
Jesus Christ,  
the master"

The Apostle Paul  
II Corinthians 4:5-6



Pictures from VBS  
More pictures on page 2 and 3

# Adam

**Sunday School:** The High School Youth Sunday School class will be taught by David Angel they have begun a new series exploring contemporary challenges and the Christian response. Doug and Sherry Brandmahl will be co-teaching the Middle School Youth Sunday School class. They will be studying people throughout the Old Testament.

**Vacation Bible School:** What a wonderful week we had during Vacation Bible School this year. The theme this year was "Hero Central" where we took kids on an awesome adventure alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes. We helped them discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. We had epic music, spectacular science, crafty crafts, heroic recreation, and fantastic Bible stories to help kids (and leaders) discover their strength in God! A special thank you goes out to all those that volunteered to make this such an amazing week. Also, thank you to Crystal Waldrop for being our VBS Director.



**Wednesday Night Youth Group:** The youth group will be venturing out during the summer months to houses of congregation members. The July schedule is:

Wednesday, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bassett's House from 5:30-8:30pm (Bring clothes you don't mind getting dirty)

Sunday, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> – NO YOUTH GROUP

Wednesday, Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> – Angel's House from 5:30-8:30pm

Sunday, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> – Youth Group from 5:30-7pm

Wednesday, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup> – Spaulding House from 5:30-8:30pm (outdoor games)

Sunday, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> – Youth Group from 5:30-7pm

Wednesday, Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Kruschwitz House from 5:30-8:30pm (Invite families)

Sunday, Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> - Youth Group from 5:30-7pm

## Nursery Volunteers:

We are in need of four adult volunteers to fill some vacancies in our Sunday morning nursery. We have an exciting bunch of infants and toddlers that would love to spend Sunday mornings with you! If you are interested in volunteering one Sunday a month, please let Adam know!



**The Church on the Web:** Check out the updated Church Website at [www.goochlandchurch.org](http://www.goochlandchurch.org). You can also check us out on Facebook at Goochland Baptist Church. We will provide updates, event information, and much more.

## Upcoming Worship Schedule:

Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>: Combined Worship Service at 10am in the Sanctuary; Sunday School at 9am

Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>: Regularly Scheduled Sunday Morning Services

Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>: Regularly Scheduled Sunday Morning Services

Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>: Regularly Scheduled Sunday Morning Services





## Deacon Article David Angel



In my fifteen or so years as a member of Goochland Church, I have never been more encouraged. We now have on board two of the best professional ministers to provide leadership and vision. We have a beautiful and versatile facility that is debt free. We have some of the finest people I have ever encountered who are ready to “advance the Kingdom of God” through the mission of this church. We find ourselves at a good place. Our future swells with exciting possibilities.

With only a cursory review, I can readily identify fifteen different ministries that our church and the people of our church are invested in. And yet, we have not even begun to discover our true potential. I suspect our Pastor will lead us in some new “visioning” as we seek to discover more ways we can be used of God in our community.

Ministry requires each of us to invest our specific gifts and abilities in the work God is doing in and through our church. It also requires resources. It requires money. During the course of my life, it has been interesting to see how many of the faithful become quite defensive when the word is used. It is unfortunate. We expect our ministers to be there for us, providing encouragement, empathy, wisdom, and counsel as we move through the seasons of life. We expect Sunday School and Vacation Bible School literature to be available. We expect the grounds to be maintained and the inevitable repairs made to the many systems in our building. We expect the lights to be turned on and the heat or air conditioning to be functional. If you have the misfortune of being as fastidious as me, you want the rest rooms to be immaculate, the nursery as sterile as a surgical suite, and the floors so shiny you can see your reflection. None of this stuff just “falls from the sky”. All of this requires money.

Businesses generate revenue through selling a product or service. Country clubs (and some synagogues) generate revenue through the assessment of dues. The church is wholly dependent on the free will gifts of the church family. The resources we need to fund the ministries of our church become available only through the autonomous actions of our members. There are two basic attitudes toward giving. One might be called giving out of duty. I grew up in this tradition. The Bible called us to tithe and we responded out of obedience. I recall well the early pledge march where all members walked down the sanctuary aisle and placed our pledge cards on the altar. It was a powerful act of worship. Incidentally, I was pleasantly surprised to see that First Baptist, Richmond still follows this practice. We honor and are grateful for all who give out of a sense of holy duty. For many of us, however, our incentive to give comes from a different place. We give out of gratitude. For me, this motivation is more fulfilling but, make no mistake, it is also the most demanding. As one so richly blessed, I respond to the needs of our world recognizing that it is my privilege as well as my responsibility to be a liberal giver. Whatever our motivation, recognizing that we are the primary agents of God’s love in this world helps imbue our life with sacred significance.

When all is said and done, we all aspire to that Biblical image of a “cheerful” giver. It is such an attitude that will lead us to become ever more generous givers.



## Missions Alive



**GBC**  
**Ice Cream Social**  
**Benefiting Operation Christmas Child**

**Sunday, August 13, 2017**  
**2:00-3:00 pm in the**  
**Multipurpose Room**

The purpose of our party is to collect needed items to complete our shoeboxes.

Along with School Supplies, we need the following items to complete our goal of filling 600 shoeboxes:

**373 Bars of Soap**  
**496 Toothbrushes**  
**76 Small Soft Balls**  
**33 Toy Cars (ages 2-4)**  
**200 Brush & Comb Sets**  
**197 Combs**  
**224 Clothing Items**

Please bring as many of these items that you can and cash donations are also welcome.

Checks should be made payable to Goochland Baptist Church – with the description of OCC SHOEBOX FUND!

Needed also are the ice cream makers! Please see Gale Chaisson if you can help out with the party!



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2017

**For the month of August,**  
**we are collecting:**

198 Crayon Jumbo  
200 Crayon 24counts  
200 colored pencils  
425 pencils  
300 pens  
103 zipper binder pouch  
100 memo pads



Please place your monthly collection items in the bin in the hallway of the Family Life Center.

## Dover WMU Spiritual Enrichment Retreat

August 10, 2017

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

New Highland Baptist Church

9200 New Ashcake Road,  
Mechanicsville, VA 23116

Dinner (Adults \$7.00 &  
Children \$4.00)

Make dinner reservations  
with DWMU Treasurer,  
Anita Roy at (804) 843-4147  
by August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

7 PM - Program Speakers:  
Zachary Green (Cru at  
Virginia Tech) and the  
Hope Team WMUV  
Human Trafficking. Nursery  
will be provided

*We are ever so grateful to  
Linda Moore who has spent  
countless hours counting and  
organizing ALL of our  
donations.*

**GOD BLESS YOU**  
**LINDA MOORE!!!**



**Saturday, September 16 • 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

**Join us as we experience together the 2017 Beth Moore Simulcast.**

Tickets: \$35 each • Register online early to get your seat • [mvbcnow.org/livingproof](http://mvbcnow.org/livingproof)  
Ticket includes admission to simulcast, continental breakfast, box lunch & snacks.  
*Register as an individual or a group (to reserve seats at the same table & make choices for box lunches).*

Living Proof's Live Simulcast is a powerful time for women to experience a global event without leaving their hometown.  
You won't want to miss this in-depth biblical teaching, prayer, and encouragement  
from best-selling author & Bible teacher, Beth Moore.

We'll receive teaching sessions from Beth Moore and worship with Travis Cottrell, and the Living Proof praise team.  
Regardless of where you are in your walk with the Lord, this event will encourage you to dive deeper into the word of God.  
Regardless of where you are in your season of life, this event is sure to be just what you need, right when you need it.

Register Early! • [mvbcnow.org/livingproof](http://mvbcnow.org/livingproof)

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# SMAT

Congratulations to Pastor **Adam & Kari** on their 9<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary the 16<sup>th</sup> of August.

We appreciate the years of service **Tammy** has provided as church secretary. She joined the office staff in August of 2007.

A special thanks to all of our church staff—**Pastor Curt, Pastor Adam, Tammy and Waverly**—for everything you have done, and are doing, to keep our church moving ahead for the Kingdom. We appreciate your leadership and that you are using your many talents here at GBC.

A thought for us all: “We are all faced with a series of great opportunities brilliantly disguised as impossible situations.” —**Chuck Swindoll**



## MINISTRY THROUGH THE FOOD PANTRY

In Matthew 25, we read: v. 35 “for I was hungry and you gave me food; v. 37 “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food?’” v. 40 And the king will answer them, “Truly, I will tell you just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.”

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE NEIGHBORS FOOD PANTRY** - With school out, there are increased needs for our Neighbors Food Pantry, which is housed at St. Matthews United Methodist Church. When you shop for your family groceries this week, would you consider picking up an extra item for the Food Pantry. Leave items in the box under the coat rack in the Family Life Center. Your continued support makes this ministry possible. Some suggested needs: cereal, peanut butter, jam, pasta, pasta sauce, canned fruit and vegetable.

Matthew 25 reminds us as we serve those in need, we serve our Lord. Your continued ministry is a witness to your caring and the community thanks God for each of you.

## JOY CLUB NEWS:

Who?/ 55 and over??  
NOT BEEN TO JOY CLUB??  
Come!!

Fourth Wednesday of each month -  
10:30 A.M.

We promise great programs, good food, and super fellowship time!

**August 23**

**\*NO REGULAR MEETING AT CHURCH**

Eat out at Golden Corral

Lunch is at 11:30. Let Jean Fields know if you want to ride the church bus...it will leave church at 11:00

**\*everyone pays for their own food**

**September 27**

### Program:

The Finney's  
Gospel Music



**Lunch:** Meal by  
Donna Word  
\$4.00 per person

Any questions please call  
John Webb at 334-9270.



## MULTI-PURPOSE CHAIR SCHEDULE

Need volunteers to set up chairs for the 8:45am service for the months of September - December. If you feel God leading you to help, please let the church office know what month you would like to help.

# August SCHEDULE

## UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 2~ Building & Property Committee 6:30

August 6 ~ Combined Worship Service 10:00

The Lord's Supper

August 8 ~ Olive Riddell Circle 2:00

August 9 ~ Youth Group Angel's House 5:30

August 13 ~ Ice Cream Social for Operation

Christmas box (more detail on page 4)

August 14~ Church Council 7:15

August 16 ~ Youth Group Spaulding's House 5:30

August 17 ~ Messenger Deadline

August 21 ~ Deacons Meeting 7:15

August 23 ~ JOY Club 11:30 at Golden Corral

Youth Group Kruschwitz's House 5:30

## GREETERS

<b>06 Combined Services</b>	<b>10:00</b> Cheryl Sale
<b>13 8:45</b> Russ Starke	<b>11:00</b> Ralph Claytor
<b>20 8:45</b> Jim Allen	<b>11:00</b> John Webb
<b>27 8:45</b>	<b>11:00</b> Cheryl Sale

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

<b>06 Combined Services</b>	<b>10:00</b> Wayne Melton
<b>13 8:45</b> David Angel	<b>11:00</b> John Webb
<b>20 8:45</b> James Melton	<b>11:00</b> Gwen Padgett
<b>27 8:45</b> Youth	<b>11:00</b> Jim Fields

## Contemporary 8:45am Service Ushers

<b>06 Combined Services at 10:00</b>
<b>13</b> Keith Spaulding, Doug Brandmahl, Allen Bowles, David Denton
<b>20</b> Glenn Nuckols, Gerry Nuckols, Cliff Hyman, Dwight Grissom
<b>27</b> Youth

## Traditional 11:00am Service Ushers

<b>06</b> Robert Nuckols, Al Henley, Keith Spaulding, Ralph Claytor
<b>13</b> Jerry Anderson & Al Henley
<b>20</b> Bob Rich & Jim Allen
<b>27</b> Jean Fields & Betty Bowers

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

<b>06 10:00</b>	- Kasey Hicks, Kari Phlegar
	<b>Sunday School</b> - Betsy Alvis & Frankie Melton
<b>13 8:45</b>	- Infant - Jean Fields, Cheryl Sale, Meleah Mitchell
	<b>Sunday School</b> - Betsy Alvis & Kari Phlegar
	<b>11:00</b> - Misty Colgin, Hope Webb, Susan Angel
<b>20 8:45</b>	- Infant - Rachel Keller, Cecilia Bowles, Erin Kruschwitz
	<b>Sunday School</b> - Courtney Marsh
	<b>11:00</b> - Phyllis Henley, Courtney Marsh, Jaclyn Peck
<b>27 8:45</b>	- Infant - Ruth Audia, Mila Spaulding, Barbara Chisholm
	<b>Sunday School</b> - Brett Alvis & Erin Henley
	<b>11:00</b> - Kitt & Robert Townsend, Erin Henley

## June Sunday School Attendance

Preschool	5
Children	8
Youth	8
Adults	57
Average	78

June 2016 95

## June Financial Report

General Fund	\$18,176.00
Weekly Average	<b>\$4,544.00</b>
Budget Requires	\$5,557.64

Property Maintenance \$775.00