February 2018



Carrying the Most Important Message to the World

Curt's Corner

God often does his most important work in the wilderness. Think about it. God transformed the people of Israel as they wandered through the wilderness on the way to the Promised Land. The prophet Elijah had a wilderness experience, as did the Apostle Paul. Jesus spent 40 days in the wilderness after his baptism, tempted by Satan, to prepare for his ministry. In biblical times, the wilderness was a place to be avoided at all costs. Yet somehow, God uses wilderness experiences to form us.

On February 18, we'll be starting a new sermon series entitled "Finding God in the Wilderness" that will coincide with the Sundays of Lent. Today, we often speak of our own "wilderness experiences" in which we face unexpected trials and uninvited pain. Yet, we read that often God does some of his most important work in the lives of his followers precisely in the middle of the wilderness. During the Sundays of Lent, we'll study how God transforms wilderness experiences into something good. I hope you'll join us for what promises to be a meaningful season of Lent.

We have a couple of more opportunities for you and your family to connect with the ministries of Goochland Baptist Church this month. After the positive experience we had with the Fall Bible Blitz in November, we're hosting a Winter Bible Blitz for three Sundays: February 11, 18, and 25. Starting at 5:30 pm each Sunday night, we'll have a Bible story, crafts, singing and games -- and a snack supper. If your child is interested in participating, please register online at www.goochlandchurch.org/children. If you're interested in helping, please contact Pastor Adam.

In addition, we'll continue our Adult Bible study on Philippians on Wednesday nights at 6:30. Philippians is Paul's most personal letter in the Bible, and we'll be studying it verse by verse. As we do, we'll glean important insights into Paul's understanding of the Christian life, and what it means to pursue the joy of Christ in our own lives.

Finally, I want to acknowledge that it was one year ago when Erin and I moved to Goochland, so that I could be your pastor. This past year has been a rewarding one for us as we've settled into our new life in Virginia. We're so grateful for the way you've welcomed us so warmly and made Goochland feel like home. It is a true privilege to be your pastor and to be part of the Goochland Baptist Church family. Thank you! We have high hopes for the ways God is going to use our church in the years ahead.

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Prayer Ministry

If you are not currently receiving prayer requests by email and would like to be a part of this prayer ministry, email Anne Henley (annechenley@msn.com).



Miss a sermon? Sermons are online at www.goochlandchurch.org



MULTI-PURPOSE CHAIR SCHEULE

We need volunteers to set up chairs for the 8:45am service for the month of February, March, and April. If you feel God leading you to help, please let the church office know what month you would like to help.

February -March -April-

Adam

Children's Ministry Winter Bible Blitz:

This is a free, fun-filled evening for children, ages 4 through 5th grade. Beginning February 11th and running for three consecutive Sundays from 5:30-7:00pm, the children will participate in a number of activities such as learning a new Bible story, creating exciting crafts, singing and dancing, playing awesome games, and so much more. Snack Supper will be provided for the children.

Register at:

https://www.goochlandchurch.org/children

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

Youth Summer Mission Trip

The Youth will be venturing to Southern Florida the last full week of June to help in hurricane relief efforts. Stay tuned for more details.

Building and Property Committee UPDATE

The Building and Property
Committee has received three bids
for sanctuary crawl space
insulation. The committee is
currently evaluating these bids.

Youth Ministry

February 4th: Fellowship Night - "Soup" er Bowl Sunday
Evening full of food, fun, games, and football. Bring an item to support our Brown Bag Ministry.

"SOUP"ER BOWL:

Items to bring for "Soup"er Bowl Sunday to contribute to the Brown Bag Ministry: Pudding Cups, Fruit Cups, Chef Boy-R-Dee, Vienna Sausages, Crackers, Nabs, Cheez-its, Goldfish, Granola bars, Pretzels, Poptarts, Animal Crackers, Applesauce, Easy Mac, Instant Oatmeal, and/or Instant Grits

February 11th: Life Skill Night - We will be participating in a Myers Briggs Personality assessment. This will shed some light on why we act and do things a certain way.

February 18th: Service Project Sunday - Site and time is TBD. We will work along side different community organizations to live out God's love.

February 25th: Hot Topic Sunday - We will dive into the hot topics and wrestle with the Christian response to these hot topics.

Youth Fundraiser

The Youth Group will be hosting a Potato Bar and Bingo Fundraiser on February 25th. Lunch will be \$5 per person with a max of \$20 per household. This will be a great time of food, fun, and fellowship. Bring your whole family and invite a friend. All proceeds will go towards the 2018 Youth Summer Mission Trip.



February is the month we most associate with love and so it is a great time to ask ourselves how we can better love the Lord, love the Word, and love our neighbor. So whether you are interested in enhancing your walk with the Lord, increasing your knowledge and understanding of the Bible, or expanding your relationships with fellow church members, the Wednesday night activities may be for you.

Led by Pastor Curt, this group aims to give members a relaxed yet engaging environment in which to explore scripture and grow in Christ. There's no need to be concerned that you don't know much about the Bible, that you don't enjoy speaking in group settings, or that you don't know anyone attending the group. The discussions will be meaningful for both beginning and experienced students of the Bible and there's never pressure for anyone to speak - in this group, listening is considered participating! We're looking forward to getting to know everyone who attends and helping them feel more connected to the church family. While verses are pre-selected for study, the group welcomes discussion of any biblical topics members suggest.

The Adult Bible Study meets each Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30pm in the Sunday school classrooms of the church. God commands us to worship together and so we look forward to seeing more attendance. "For where two or three gather together in My name, there am I with them" (Matthew 18:20).

Also, if your schedule permits, come before the study for the weekly Wednesday Night Supper, served by our own church's fine cooks and other dedicated volunteers, who give of so much of their time and talents to making and serving a great meal. You might say they really put their "hearts" into what they do, so don't miss out on the best dinner in town! The dinner begins at 5:45pm and is offered for a great price. For more information on the Adult Bible Study or the Wednesday Night Supper, contact Pastor Curt.

From SMAT....

This month we celebrate the one year anniversary of having Pastor Curt lead us as our Senior Pastor. We are grateful for him and his wife Erin.

We are also grateful for our Pastor to Families, Pastor Adam, and his wife Kari.

May we, as a church family, work on sharing HIS love through our words and actions this month.





MISSIONS OFFERINGS: To God be the Glory! We surpassed our goals!

Totals as of 12/29/17

CBF Global Missions Offering \$1,330

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering \$ 7,085

Thank you for praying and giving to support our missionaries who serve around the world telling the story of Jesus and His saving grace to those who have never heard. Because you care and give, we are able to carry out our Lord's commandment in Matthew 28:19-20 to "Go and make disciples.'

MINISTRY THROUGH THE FOOD PANTRY



NEIGHBORS FOOD PANTRY - GBC's continued support of the Neighbors Food Pantry is a blessing to those in our community who often do not have adequate food. You provide staple goods for the

pantry which is housed at St. Matthews United Methodist Church and is open to those in need on Thursday evenings. This is a cooperative effort of several community churches. Current needs are for: cereal, peanut butter, jam, pasta and pasta sauce (of all kinds), canned fruits and vegetables and hearty soups. During these winter months when schools are often closed due to inclement weather, there is an even greater need for these items, When you shop for your family, would you consider purchasing an extra item and placing it in the designated box under the coat rack in the hallway of the Multi-Purpose Building? These are taken to St. Matthews each week and are greatly appreciated. Thank you for caring and sharing with our community.

JOY CLUB NEWS:

Who? 55 and over When? Fourth Wednesday of each month -10:30 A.M.

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

Not been to JOY Club?

Come!!

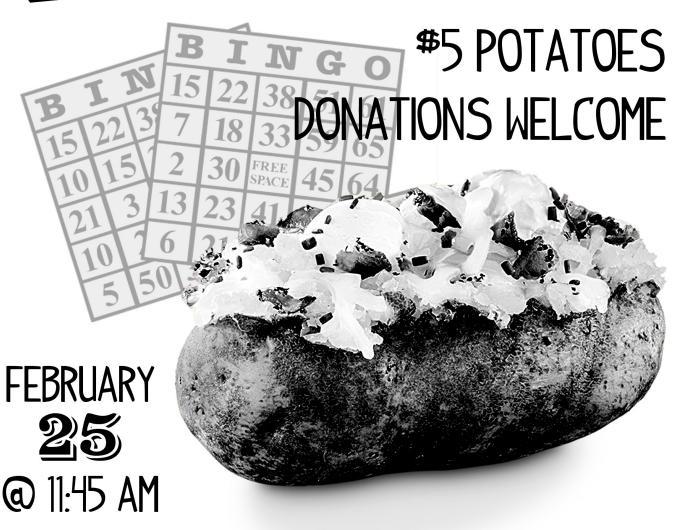
February's Meeting February 28th

Topic: Diabetes

Lunch and Dessert by Donna Word

Any questions please call John Webb at 334-9270.

POTATO BAR 3 BINGO PUNDELAISER



JOIN US FOR GOOD FOOD 3 FUN PRIZES!

COME OUT AND SUPPORT THE YOUTH GROUP

CHURCHWIDE DINNER

BROUGHT TO YOU BY 2018 DEACON PRODUCTIONS

WHEN March 3, 2018 6pm to Who Knows

WHERE Goochland Baptist Church

Fellowship Hall

FEATURING • Straight from the Vienna Opera House and formally of the International Mission Beard, Virginia Baptists and Berea Baptist Church—The Amazing Jerry Jones •

Pianist, singer, Humorist

PORK DELIGHT BY CHAD "YOU KILL IT AND I'LL GBILL IT" BORDEWYK

POTATO SALAD BY JIM
"THE UKROPS CRY WHEN
THEY TRY MINE" ALLEN

SHANNON "I WILL BRING THE BEANS" WILSON

GWEN "SALAD SHOOTER" PADGETT

DAVID "I PROMISE TO STAY OUT OF THE KITCHEN" ANGEL

BETSY "THE SWEETEST THING" ALVIS

GAYLE "DESSERTS R'US" STANLEY

RUSS "I MADE COPIES OF THE FLYER" STARKE

AT THE DOOR

Free!!

Just let your Deacon know you are coming.

God's Love in Action







The children's Sunday school class packed 77 bags of candy for patients receiving treatment at the Massey Cancer Center.



Project Sole Hope





UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sundays

Contemporary - 8:45am Sunday School - 10:00am Traditional - 11:00am Youth Group - 5:30pm

Tuesdays

Meals on Wheels - 11:00am Exercise Class - 7:00pm

Wednesdays

Family Dinner - 5:45pm Praise Team Practice - 6:30pm Youth Group - 6:30pm Bible Studies - 6:30pm

Thursdays

Exercise Class - 7:00pm

In addition to our Regularly Scheduled Services and Activities

February 4 - The Lord's Supper, Deacon Ordination, and Baptism

February 12 - Church Council @ 7:15pm

February 13 - Olive Riddell Circle @ 2:00pm

February 14 - Children's Ministry Meeting @ 5:45pm

February 19 - Deacon's Meeting @ 7:15pm

February 21 - Music Ministry Meeting @ 5:45pm

December 2017 Sunday School

Attendance

Preschool 6
Children 7
Youth 8
Adults 66
Average 87

December Financial Report

General Fund \$50,543.58 Property Maintenance \$10,891.40

February Schedule

GREETERS

04 8:45 Jim Allen	11:00 Russ Starke
11 8:45 Chad Bordewyk	11:00 Gayle Stanley
18 8:45 Betsy Alvis	11:00 Gwen Padgett
25 8:45 Shannon Wilson	11:00 David Angel

OFFERTORY PRAYER

04	8:45 Wayne Melton	11:00 John Webb
11	8:45 David Angel	11:00 Jim Fields
18	8:45 James Melton	11:00 Jim Allen
25	8:45 Youth	11:00 Anne Henley

Contemporary 8:45am Service Ushers

04 Keith Spaulding, Ralph Claytor, David Denton

11 Keith Spaulding, Doug Brandmahl, Allen Bowles, David Denton

18 Glenn Nuckols, Gerry Nuckols, Cliff Hyman, Dwight Grissom

25 Youth

Traditional 11:00am Service Ushers

04 Robert Nuckols & Jim Fields

11 Jerry Anderson & Jim Allen

18 Forest Webb & Kevin Richardson

25 Jean Fields & Betty Bowers

NURSERY SCHEDULE

8:45 - Winsor/Phil Egolf, Kasey Hicks, & Kari Phlegar
 Sunday School - Betsy Alvis & Frankie Melton
 11:00 - Kari Phlegar & Frankie Melton

8:45 - Jean Fields, Cheryl Sale, & Meleah Mitchell
 Sunday School - Betsy Alvis & Kari Phlegar
 11:00 - Misty Colgin, Hope Webb, Susan Angel

18 **8:45** - Rachel Keller, Cecilia Bowles, & Erin Kruschwitz

Sunday School - Betsy Alvis & Mila Spaulding

11:00 - Phyllis Henley, Courtney Marsh

25 **8:45** - Ruth Audia, Mila Spaulding, Barbara Chisholm& Carolyn Heath

<u>Traditional 11:00am</u> Responsive Reading

07 John Webb

14 Jim Fields

21 Lee Proffitt

28 Teri Frank