

OUTREACH



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From our Pastor . . .

**EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA!
READ ALL ABOUT IT**

Announcing changes to the BAPC OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

During the first half of 2010 look for changes in the distribution of the monthly Outreach Newsletter. Over the next few months we will be shifting from being primarily a PAPER/PRINT newsletter (with a website presence) to be an electronic newsletter primarily distributed via E-Mail. These changes are coming for several reasons: better stewardship of natural resources (paper and ink); better stewardship of limited financial resources (and the postal service is making it harder to send out bulk mail); and changing patterns of communication in the distribution and retrieval of news.

First, make sure you **READ THIS**. If you do not have internet access or just prefer to read your news the old fashioned way (*and so you understood the headline of this article*) **paper copies of the Outreach will always be available to you in the manner of distribution you need.**

Shifting to an E version of the Outreach will not only be cost-effective. The new E version of the Outreach will be bigger (no longer constrained by mailing costs) and will be in **FULL COLOR** instead of the one color you are now seeing on the printed page.

Each month, when fully implemented, members and friends of BAPC will receive an email with a hyperlink to the new Outreach. Paper (“hard”) copies of the Outreach will be available at the church and distributed via US Mail to members who do not have internet access and/or have other limitations that make a hard copy the best form of communication for them. Non members who wish to receive a hard copy of the Outreach will be asked to contribute at least \$10/year to receive a paper copy. E versions of the Outreach are free to everybody. By the way, my popular *Weekly News* will continue, as will the *Breeze* and *Explore*.

The first two steps in this transition are these:

1. We ask **ALL MEMBERS** to make sure the church office has your current Email on file. If you are receiving my *Weekly News* we have your email. If you are **NOT** receiving it, kindly send a note to Brenda in the office: office@bonairpc.org.
2. We ask all **NON MEMBERS** receiving the Outreach to send us your Email so we can continue sending you the Outreach (via Email). Again, the “address” is office@bonairpc.org. If you prefer the hard copy version, kindly send us a contribution of at least \$10 to receive the Outreach in 2010.

Stay tuned for more changes coming! And thanks for your cooperation.

R. Charles Grant
For the Communication Division and Church Staff

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| 15th | Mature Moderns |
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JANUARY



birthdays/ anniversaries

- 1 Margy Paz, Bruce Ensley
- 2 Don Vaughan
- 3 Jessica Marcev
- 6 Darleen Cavin, Jackson Stitzer,
Sheree Towle, Marta Rowe
- 8 Jeanne Todd
- 9 George Richards, Paul Rowe
- 10 Bob Jones, Travis Unroe
- 11 Ted McCormack, Rob Waltenbaugh,
John Johnson
- 13 Mark Stevens
- 14 Becky Ogburn, Rachel Peace
- 17 Joanne Ensley, Marjorie Hephner,
Sarah Narum
- 18 Jean Ringwood, Kursti North
- 19 Michele Nelson
- 20 Kim Negaard, Brian Foreman
- 21 Catherine Bagwell
- 22 Edith Malgee
Carson and Jean Hamlett
- 23 Andrea Rogers
- 24 Susan Manning
- 25 Ed Jones
- 26 *Pat and Judy Clayton*
- 27 Adam Parks
- 30 Carol Wines, *Carol and Daniel Wines*
- 31 Katie Andes, Anna Manning
Cindy and Ernie Wright



Prayer Ministry To request prayer support from our church's prayer chain, or to join in this ministry, please call Deborah Houghton at 272-9495 (debho@comcast.net) or the church office at 272-7514 (office@bonairpc.org)

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Letters . . .

Dear Friends at Bon Air Presbyterian Church,
I would like to thank all of you for your kindness and caring that you shared with me as I recovered from my recent surgery. Your prayers were greatly appreciated. The cards and visits did much to lift my spirits during these difficult times. The meals were very appreciated by my family. I am blessed to be part of the BAPC family.

With Sincere Thanks,
John Schultz

Dear Bon Air Presby Family,
Words can not express how much your loving words and warm hugs have meant to me since my father passed away, but I'm going to try anyway. Years ago, when Ernie and I were in the New Members class, we watched a video in the Library and I vividly recall seeing a clip of Fox Chapel Presbyterian's sanctuary and exclaiming, "That's my church!!". I was raised there and my father's memorial service was there, but once I got back to Richmond it really hit me - this is my church. The Bon Air congregation is - you are - the embodiment of Christ's love and I am so thankful to count you each among my blessings.

I'm Third*,
Cindy Wright

*ask me what that means sometime.



**Sanctuary Bibles have been given to the
glory of God and
in memory of...**

James Nelson Smith by Phyllis C. Smith

Bill Cavin by Darleen Cavin

My Grandmother Blanch Jane Halpern by Robert Halpern

in honor of...

Charles Grant by Terry & Linda Oggel

These orders were received after printing of the Bibles in the 12/13/09 bulletin.



A gift was given to the Memorial Fund in honor of Mike and Jane Wall by Elizabeth Good.

A gift was given to the Preschool Fund in memory of Helen White by Debra Smith.

Discipleship Opportunities



Bon Air Juvenile Correction Center Monthly Birthday Parties

BAPC has been providing monthly birthday parties for the youth at Bon Air Juvenile Correction Center for seven years. We now have four teams so that no one team goes to the center more than three times a year.

We are in the center from 1:15 to approximately 3:00 p.m. the second Saturday of each month. For team members this is a very minimal commitment of time. Team members do bring part of the refreshments for each party but, again, that cost is minimal. Talk to any team member and you discover that the rewards of participating in these events are great. The youth are very appreciative of our presence and many have had very little, if any, note made of their birthdays in the past. We all have a good time playing games and talking together.

We can always welcome new members to the various teams so if you are interested in putting in a little time to show these youths that they are important and cared for, contact any of the team leaders: Gina Turner, Judi Foster, Edie Smith or Liz Rupp.



January 9 - 16

**Sign up by calling the church office or
on the bulletin board.**



**A roof and a bed is what it is all
about. Your assistance is needed!!**

JANUARY MISSION MONTH AT BAPC

“BEYOND IRAQ & AFGHANISTAN: BROADENING OUR FOCUS”



If it's January, then it's Mission Month at BAPC. Mission Month is that time each year when our combined Adult Sunday School classes look beyond the bricks and mortar of our church and give witness to issues of local, national or international concern. On the five Sundays in January, 2010, we will have speakers lead discussions about countries that do not receive the same number of headlines as do Iraq and Afghanistan but are still of great importance to us from a political and Christian perspective. The line-up is as follows:

Jan. 3 – Cuba. Harold Greer, retired professor of History at VCU and a member of BAPC, will talk about the historical and current status of Cuba, both politically and from a Christian perspective.

Jan. 10 – Pakistan. Marianne Vermeer and her husband, Rev. Dr. Robert Johnston, recently spent time in Pakistan as missionaries.

Jan. 17 – Korea/Asia. Rev. Syngman Rhee, former Moderator of the PCUSA and now affiliated with Union-PSCE, will talk about Korean/U.S. relations from a political and Christian perspective. Tae Hee Kwak, Pastoral Assistant at BAPC, will also participate in the presentation.

Jan. 24 – India. Narola McFayden is a native of the Eastern part of India and is currently affiliated with Union-PSCE. She will talk about her experience as a Christian living, traveling and witnessing to Jesus Christ in different parts of India for the past 30 years. She will also talk about how Indian politics affect Indian Churches and will focus on the role of Naga Churches and their ministry.

Jan. 31 – India/International Justice Ministry. Becky Acker Mohr grew up in BAPC. She and her husband, Steve Mohr recently completed a year of Christian ministry with the IJM in India. They will tell us what their ministry involved; their impression of the Indian culture and the political situation there; the role of Christianity in India; how Indian people view the U.S. and what IJM does internationally.

Please plan to join us from 9:30 – 10:30 each Sunday morning in January.

Walk Away the Pounds to Keep Your New Year's Resolution!



Thanksgiving and Christmas are joyous times of celebration. A big part those times of celebration is good and bountiful food and many of us over-indulge. If your New Year's resolution is to get more exercise and become physically fit, then become part of BAPCs Walk Away the Pounds low-impact fitness program for all ages.

The self-paced walk meets at 7 p.m. each Monday and Thursday in Rooms 101-103. The program is based on the video series and provides a heart-healthy exercise session that covers two miles over the course of 30 minutes. It is a relaxed atmosphere, no special skills, clothes or equipment required, just walking in place.

Questions? Then contact Ted or Cathy McCormack at 378-0323 or Dorothy Seawall at 272-7711. Come join us for fellowship, stress relief and resolution encouragement

Music Corner



A Piano Recital given by Benjamin Houghton

January 10—4:00 p.m.

Ben Houghton, pianist, will perform Mozart's Sonata in A minor, K. 333, Bolcom's "Serpent's Kiss," Liszt's "Liebesträume" and works from American musical theater for the Second Sunday South of the James Concert Series on Sunday, Jan. 10, at 4 p.m. at the church. Admission will be by donation. Details: 272-9541.

Houghton is a senior at the Westminster Choir College of Rider University in Princeton, N.J. He is a former winner of the Richmond Symphony Concerto Competition. He's a son of Harold and Deborah Houghton.



Annual Meetings of the Congregation January 10 and January 17

Annual Reports available in early January

In accordance with our election procedures, the Session has called congregational meetings for January 10 and January 17, 2010, during each of the morning worship services. On January 10, the Nominating Committee will make its report during each worship service, and the floor will be open to nominations. Election of officers and members of the Nominating Committee will take place during the 11 AM session of the Annual Meeting on January 17. The Session will make a brief report during worship as part of the annual meeting, to be conducted on January 17. Aside from the elections, the Session is bringing no business to the congregation this year. As reported in the Stewardship letter mailed in late December, there are no recommended changes to the terms of call of our pastors.

Members of Session will be available for your questions and comments following each worship service on January 10, and following Wednesday night dinner on January 13.



ROMEOs meet--- January 12

The ROMEOs next gathering is at noon on Tuesday, January 12 at Angelo's Restaurant. Those wishing to carpool should meet at BAPC at 11:45 a.m.

*ROMEo stands for "Retired Old Men Eating Out", but men of any age and condition are welcome.



Acolyte Program

Thanks so much to the acolytes serving in December: Nicole Gallini, Maddie Negaard, Lydia Morris and Lindsey Copeland. Sawyer Negaard carried the Processional Cross. Pete Gallini and Peggy Sinclair-Morris were the adult helpers.

The acolytes scheduled for January are Rebecca Huffine, Lindy Pokorny, Becky Ogburn, Zoe Nelson and Alise Anzelone. Suzanne Huffine will carry the Processional Cross. Donna Wilson will be assisting.



THE BAPC SESSION REPORTS

At its regularly scheduled meeting on Sunday, December 6, 2009 the Session:

- Received new members Bill and Peg Perko by Reaffirmation of Faith. Mark Stevens is their sponsor.
- Approved a recycle project, offered by the High School PYC, to place two bulletin-recycle receptacles in the Narthex. The youth will build the receptacles out of renewable materials in a style befitting the Narthex decor.
- Heard that April and Shawn Smith are expecting a child about July 1, 2010.
- Heard that the Middle School youth completed a service project of raking leaves from Bill and Marcia Britton's yard.
- Heard that Rev. Doug Hicks will not be returning as Parish Associate next year.
- Completed a review of the Church membership roll and the 2009 changes.
- Heard that the November pledges were about \$8,500 below budget, and expenses were below budget also.
- Approved a 2010 budget of \$505,000 which is \$15,000 below the 2009 budget.
- Heard that CARITAS will be hosted at the church January 9 – 16, 2010, and sign up sheets for volunteers will be available after Christmas.
- Heard that the next Blood Drive is scheduled for December 20.
- Heard that 74 angels were subscribed which allows 34 children to receive gifts for Christmas.
- Heard that the Property is evaluating a change in church insurance carriers to gain improved coverage economically.
- Approved an Endowment Fund sponsored project for 2010, which will remove the chimney over the choir room for \$2,800.
- Heard that Darleen Cavin was selected to serve as a candidate for Elder, Class of 2013.
- Approved the Nominating Committee searching for an Elder to complete the unexpired term of Teresa Gooch, Class of 2011.
- Approved holding the Session meeting on Sunday, February 7, beginning at noon. The confirmation class will attend and observe the meeting as part of their training.
- Heard that Rev. Smith planned and led an Associate Pastor's retreat, as part of the Rehoboth Project, on November 15 – 17.

At a called meeting on Sunday, December 13, the Session:

- Received new member Gussie Jacocks by Transfer of Membership. Henry and Barbara Jacocks and family are her sponsors.

Operating Fund

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| Year to Date — January 2010 | | | |
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New addresses and phone numbers

New Members:

Gussie C. Jacocks
 130 Cooper's Point Lane
 Tappahannock, VA 22560
 (804) 443-8201

Bill & Peg Perko
 2410 Castle Hill Rd.
 Midlothian, VA 23113
 (804) 330-0674





PYC



This month at PYC we look at New Beginnings. As we enter into a new year, there are many aspects of life that start anew. And PYC is taking a fresh start as well. I pray that each of you will come and join us each week for our wonderful time of fellowship and festivities that come as we begin again into a new year.

Middle School

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| Jan 3 | 5-6 | New Year's Resolutions |
| | 6-7 | Evening Worship |
| Jan 10 | 4:30-7 | Cooking for CARITAS |
| Jan 17 | 5-7 | TBA |
| Jan 24 | 5-7 | TBA |
| Jan 31 | 5-7 | TBA |

High School

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| Jan 3 | 5-6 | New Year's Resolutions |
| | 6-7 | Evening Worship |
| Jan 10 | 4:30-7 | Cooking for CARITAS |
| Jan 17 | 4:30-7:30 | Freedom House |
| Jan 24 | 5-7 | TBA |
| Jan 31 | 5-7 | TBA |

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Rhonda Dunbar is continuing to lead our Middle Schoolers in a weekly Bible Study after the Wednesday night dinner. Come and join us for dinner, and then for fellowship and Bible Study afterward!

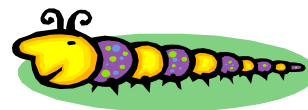
- Shawn Thomas Smith

Confirmation Class

The confirmation class of 2010 will continue their faith journeys on January 3 during the Sunday school hour, and will be commissioned as a class during the 11:00 worship service. This year's class includes: Michael Barrett, Grayson Carter, Bailey Holland, Maddie Negaard, Becky Ogburn, Coleman Paz, Allie Smilek, Dustin Smilek, and Kate Wood. Your continued thoughts and prayers for our confirmands are appreciated as they journey onward in faith, grow together as a group, and become members of this wonderful church.



Kid's Kingdom in WORM



This month in WoRM we will be exploring the Beatitudes, and learning from Jesus' teachings from the Sermon on the Mount. The memory verse is **Matthew 5:1-2** "When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on the side of a mountain and sat down. Jesus' disciples gathered around him, and he taught them."

Word of Jesus' teaching and healing had begun to spread throughout the region, and crowds of people, in all stages and conditions of life followed him, either out of curiosity or perhaps hope for themselves. The followers gathered to hear Jesus speak, and to learn from him. At first glance at our memory verse, we see that the followers gathered around to listen and to learn. But there were all types of people, and Jesus responds to each of them. The beatitudes address people from all walks of life from the poor to the mourning, from the meek, to the merciful. That is what Jesus does here -- he sizes up the crowd and uses examples they can understand. They have numerous needs, and Jesus' message is a message of encouragement to them as well as us today.

Join us each week for our exciting rotations in:

Burning Bush Café: The children will prepare a meal for each other and serve each other, providing an opportunity to learn humility and patience.

The Storyteller's Tent: The storyteller will talk about Jesus as a teacher and the Sermon on the Mount as his opportunity to teach his followers. The children will receive a key for each Beatitude as a reminder that the Beatitudes are the "keys" to living.

WKID Studio: The children will take pictures of each other in poses that represent the beatitudes and create a PowerPoint presentation to visually represent the Beatitudes.

Apostles Arcade: The children will play a race game with remote control cars and "road blocks" to gain understanding of how to live out the Beatitudes.

We look forward to seeing all of you on Sunday Mornings, as we learn about the Beatitudes and learn how we live out our faith by listening to Jesus' teaching and words of encouragement to all of us. If you are interested in serving as a WoRM rotation leader, please contact Sally Schultz or Rev. Smith for information. Working with the children at Bon Air is a very rewarding, and meaningful experience!



Mature Moderns

January 15

“Cuba, A Nation in Search of Itself.”

Dr. Harold Greer, PhD and BAPC member will discuss Cuba’s antagonistic role in the US’s past history and current efforts toward detent.

Mature Moderns will meet on Friday, January 15. Refreshments are at 10:00 a.m. and the program starts at 10:30 a.m.



January 6

Buckeye Stew
Fruit Salad
Dessert

January 13

Swiss Chicken
Green Beans
Rice
Salad
Dessert

January 20

Menu not available

January 27

BBQ
Slaw
Beans
Chips
Dessert



Women in the Church

Prime Time Circle will meet on Monday, January 11, at 5:30 pm in the BAPC kitchen to prepare and serve a CARITAS meal. This will be the only meeting in January.

Sisters Circle will make lunches for CARITAS on Monday, January 11 at 2:30 pm. Dorothy and Gina have offered to buy the food and all of us will work together to pack the lunches for Tues. Jan. 12. Our meeting will be Tues., Jan. 12 at 10:30 AM in the Middle School room. Afterwards those who want to go to lunch will choose a restaurant.

Morning Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, January 12 at 10:15 a.m. at the church.

L.Y. D.I.A. Circle will meet January 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

Worship Committee Wants YOUR Flower Power!



“God writes the Gospel not in the Bible alone, but also on trees, and in the flowers and clouds and stars.”

~ Martin Luther

The new Flower calendar for 2010 was debuted at the Coffee Half Hour on Sunday December 6. It is posted on the bulletin board near the church office for you to sign up for any Sunday that is special to you – for a birthday remembrance, in appreciation or in honor of someone, or perhaps for no particular reason but to praise God.

Bread feeds the body, indeed, but flowers feed also the soul. ~The Koran

Flowers have spoken to me more than I can tell in written words. They are the hieroglyphics of angels, loved by all men for the beauty of their character, though few can decipher even fragments of their meaning. ~Lydia M. Child

It’s as simple as writing a dedication for the bulletin and getting a check to Brenda in the office.

When you have only two pennies left in the world, buy a loaf of bread with one, and a lily with the other. ~Chinese Proverb



BAPC Endowment Fund

“Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.” 1 Peter 4:10



Who’s up for Volleyball?

Join us each Thursday night in January and February from 7:00 until, as we gather in the fellowship hall to play Volleyball. You do not need to be an expert to play, just have a willingness to gather with people of all ages and play. This is a great opportunity to get a little exercise in the cold months of winter, and you never know, you just might find that you really love the game!

Evening Worship January 3

"I am a Christian, what does that mean for my life?"

As we are all individual members of the body of Christ, we consider ourselves to be Christians. What does it mean to be a Christian in our everyday lives? How do we live out our faith? What is the new life that we have in Christ, and how are we to understand his relationship? Join us for Evening Worship on January 3rd as we explore these questions, and celebrate communion together. February 7th: "Why do we have Doubts?"



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"Doubt"

January 24

Doubt follows the story of priest Father Flynn who is trying to upend the schools' strict customs, guarded by Sister Aloysius Beauvier, the iron-gloved Principal who believes in the power of fear and discipline. A doubt arises that Father Flynn is paying too much personal attention to the school's first black student, Donald Miller. Sister Aloysius sets off on a personal crusade to unearth the truth and to expunge Flynn from the school, armed with no proof but her own moral certainty. Sister Aloysius locks into a battle of wills with Father Flynn which threatens to tear apart the community with irrevocable consequences. The themes of religion, morality, and authority, which run throughout this film, will provide us with great discussion.

Join us Sunday, January 24 as we watch and discuss this month's film Doubt from 5:00-7:30. Bring a bag supper to eat as we watch. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Come this month and enjoy good company, a great film, and thought provoking discussion.

Friends are always welcome!



Bill and Peg Perko were received by the session into membership into Bon Air Presbyterian Church on Sunday, December 6, 2009. They both joined the church by reaffirmation of faith. They were introduced to the congregation on December 13, 2009. Mark Steven, their neighbor, is their sponsor.

Bill works at VCU Health Systems as the IT director. His hobbies are golf, cards, reading and spending time with the grandchildren. Peg is a home-maker and enjoys yard work and the grandchildren.



Gussie Jacocks was received by the session into membership in Bon Air Presbyterian Church on Sunday, December 13, 2009. Gussie came by transfer of membership from Central Methodist Church in Hampton, VA. She was introduced to the congregation on the same day. Gussie's son, Henry and his family, are her sponsors. Gussie lives in Tappahannock, VA and enjoys gardening.



Stephanie Auld Voice Recital Sunday, January 31 - 4 p.m.

Mark your calendar for **Stephanie Auld's** voice recital, featuring Russell Wilson, pianist, and Keith Hanlon, flutist. Stephanie is a member at BAPC. Songs and arias by J. S. Bach, Louis Aubert, Saverio Mercadante, and Gaetano Donizetti, among others. The recital is free and open to the public.



Game Night - January 22

The Fellowship division is sponsoring a Game night on Friday, January 22 from 6:00-9:00 PM.

Come and join in this wonderful fellowship opportunity for all ages. There will be numerous games played, and if you have a favorite, go ahead and bring it.

We will see you on January 22 for a fun night of games and fellowship in the Beck room.

Evangelism Resolutions

The calendar says it is time for New Year's Resolutions. Sometimes silly and sometimes sincere, each year we more or less commit to taking better care of ourselves, reconnecting relationships, managing our resources with more discipline, and more of what we know we should do and less of what we shouldn't. Usually our resolutions fall in thin soil, spring up and wither by mid-January. In the Christian life, we do not have to wait until New Years. Every time we confess our sins, pray for forgiveness, and resolve to walk closer with God, we become a new creation. And unlike most of our New Year's resolutions, our confessional vows fall into rich soil. We have the strength of God, the grace of Christ, the reassurance of the Holy Spirit, and the fellowship of other Christians to give them root and nourishment.



Alex Barrett grew up at BAPC and was Confirmed in 2008. Alex shares: *I enjoy having the opportunity to have a place to make new friends and a place to see old friends. BAPC is a place where I can have fun and learn about Christ and the church at the same time! I love how everyone is caring and will listen to your voice in the church. You have the support from your friends, youth leaders, elders, pastors and most of all the support of Christ. I also like that at BAPC there is always a place anyone can express their talents to the rest of the congregation either in musicals, cooking or preparing food, leading and education class leading, preaching or leading mini message. Overall there are many reasons why I enjoy being a part of BAPC! But the #1 thing that I love about BAPC is that no matter who comes through the doors you are always greeted with a welcome.*

From the time that Christ told the fishermen that he was going to make them fishers of men, he put a calling into the hearts of all that would follow him to reach out to others to welcome them into his Church. Through the act of evangelism, we share with others the gifts that we enjoy through Christ. BAPC is a blessed fellowship of Christians seeking and serving Christ to make a difference. Would you make a resolution to do something this year to bring another soul into the church?



Bon Air Presbyterian Preschool Children's Chair Auction to Benefit Kathryn Cardwell Scholarship Fund.



From January 20-31 the Bon Air Presbyterian Preschool will be holding a silent auction to benefit the Kathryn Cardwell scholarship fund. Traditional wooden children's chairs from our preschool will be auctioned, each of which has been hand painted by professional artists.

Come and see them in living color at the January 20 Wednesday dinner and look for the bid sheets on the bulletin board in the front entryway from January 21 to 31 to bid on these beautifully decorated chairs.

The Kathryn Cardwell scholarship fund provides financial assistance to families who would otherwise be unable to send their child to our preschool.

So come out and see some amazing artistry and bid what you can to help support children at the preschool.

- January 20 - Wednesday dinner: chairs will be on display and the bidding will begin
- January 21 - chairs will be on display at the BAPP morning coffee (across from Jean's office)
- January 24 - chairs will be on display at the Sunday service
- January 27 - Wednesday dinner: chairs will be on display
- January 31 - chairs will be on display at the Sunday service - last day for bidding
- February 1 - winners will be announced

I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE

Lou Brand

December 16, 2009

I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE

Mark Gallaher

December 14, 2009

NOMINEES FOR EDLER



Martha Singdahlsen moved to Richmond with her husband and two sons in 1970 and joined Bon Air church in the spring of 1971. She was instrumental in bringing the resettlement of refugees, Habitat for Humanity and Zuni Peanut Sales to the church and has been actively involved with numerous other ministries such as CARITAS, Bon Air Correctional Center, Bainbridge Ministry and Angel Tree. She has served three previous terms on the Session as Clerk. She is currently a team leader with RISC and an active member of the Prime Time Circle, the Church and Society Division, the Peace Group and the Prayer Shawl Ministry. She is serving a second term on the Administrative Board at the Presbytery of The James and is a member of the POJ Covenant Network Steering Committee. Martha has delivered Meals-On-Wheels for thirty-six years after she and Liz Sherer were recruited at a Circle Meeting. She enjoys reading, traveling and attending the theater and especially visiting her grandchildren in Colorado and Washington DC.



Stephen E. Galyen. Stephen and his wife, Susan, have been members of Bon Air for over thirty years. They have three sons - Danny along with his wife, Kelley and their daughter Kate, live in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Sons Tim and Thomas live in the Roanoke-Salem area of Virginia. Stephen is retired from Henrico County Public Schools where he chaired the Social Studies Department at J.R. Tucker High School and served as both an Adult Education and Summer Academy Coordinator. He currently volunteers as a teller and served on the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee. Stephen also served as the moderator of the Staff Relations Division during a previous term on the Session.



Kenneth G. (Kent) Pankey, Jr. Kent's earliest affiliation with BAPC was in the pre-school program, which he attended in 1968 (along with Kurt Negaard). In 1971, his parents, Ken and June, moved the family's church membership from Westminster Presbyterian to BAPC. Kent was confirmed at BAPC in 1977 and remained a member through college at Hampden-Sydney and law school at William & Mary until taking a job in Williamsburg in 1989. In Williamsburg, Kent was an active member of the Williamsburg Presbyterian Church, serving as an advisor to college students in the Westminster Fellowship program, a member of the Christian Witness Ministry, a deacon, an elder, and a member of its Capital/Building Restoration Team (1998-2006). After Kent took a job with the Supreme Court of Virginia, he and his wife Leslie moved to Richmond with their sons, Joseph (9th grade) and Tray (7th), and joined BAPC in 2006. Since then, Kent has served on the Adult Education Committee, for which he has occasionally taught, and as an advisor to the middle school PYC group. Kent enjoys reading, playing sports, and gardening and is an avid fan of the sports program at his father's alma mater, Virginia Tech.



Darlene Cavin. I was born in Ohio and moved to Virginia at a young age where I joined First Presbyterian Church of Hopewell with my family. My husband, Bill, and I lived in numerous cities including Greenville, N.C. where I worked at ECU. We joined Bon Air Presbyterian Church in 2000. My career started as a business office staff member and business office manager for several physician practices. I then worked for HealthSouth where I became Regional Business Office Manager. Currently, I am employed as Billing Auditor for Bostwick Laboratories at Innsbrook. Bill and I were married for 35 years. Unfortunately, Bill had chronic and severe health problems, was bedridden for 3 years prior to his death 2 ½ years ago, and I became his caregiver. At BAPC, I have served with the Stewardship Division, attend the Prime Time Circle, and am a member of the Crisis Meal Team.



Doug Paz My wife, Margy Paz introduced me to BAPC and we were married here. Her parents Margaret and Stuart Terry were members of this church since it was located on Buford Road. Margy and I have four children who have been baptized at this church and are active with the youth groups, Sunday School and Camp Hanover. I participate in several church activities, and enjoy the fellowship and helping others. I like participating in my children's activities and rooting for my Red Sox and Dallas Cowboys. I work at Patient First as the Director of Front Office Operations.



Darin Smouse, his wife Jennifer and sons Jacob and Evan joined BAPC in the Spring of 2007, following relocation from their home state of Michigan. New daughter Katherine joined our church family Fall of 2008. Darin is the Director of Land Development for the Richmond Division of Centex Homes. He is a graduate, along with Jennifer, of Michigan State University (so they might yell Go Green! especially during basketball season). He enjoys leadership in his sons' Cub Scout Pack and supporting the boys in sports and their studies. At BAPC, Darin lends service to CARITAS, RISC, Youth Sunday School and the Property Division while other family member join in acolyte service, Wednesday dinners, Salt Shakers and the renowned BAPC Ringers. In between, Darin relaxes with time in his wood shop and on several camping trips throughout the year, especially if a river, canoe and fly rod are involved.



John Rupp is being nominated for a second three year term as a trustee at BAPC. He also is currently an Elder on the Session, serving as chair of the Church and Society Division. He has previously served as an Elder on three other occasions, chairing various divisions. He is retired, having served as Richmond City Attorney for ten years and, earlier, in various positions with State government. He and his wife, Liz, joined BAPC in the late 1970's and have one adult son, Joe.



Braden Wright is currently a student at the Pre-Engineering specialty center at L.C. Bird High School, as well as an active member of the high school youth group. Upon joining the church in 2002, Braden became active in a variety of groups sponsored by the church including the Cantus Choir, and has helped with the extended session since 6th grade. Recently, he has begun to serve as liturgist, and this summer, he attended a two week long retreat at Union Theological Seminary called Project Burning Bush, which aims to help young people with vocational discernment and find ministry opportunities in everyday life. He will continue a project for PBB over this year, and return to Union in July of '10 for a final weekend to discuss the projects everyone did with his camp mates. The most recent development is that you can find Braden wandering around the church sometimes on Wednesdays after his guitar lessons with Shawn Thomas, from which he hopes to develop into a regular installment at evening worships.



Phyllis Smith was born and nurtured in Buckingham County where she attended New Hope Baptist Church. She graduated from VUU, then taught in both Buckingham and Fluvanna Counties. During the summers she attended Longwood College and later Newark State College (now Kean College). She has an M.A. from Montclair State University and is certified as both a reading teacher and reading specialist. Her work experience includes the U.S.P.S. as an FSM and SPBS keyer and as a basic skills teacher (reading and writing) in North Plainfield, New Jersey. Phyllis became involved in the Presbyterian Church after she and her husband moved to New Jersey. There she became a member of First Presbyterian Church, Irvington, where she served as choir member, deacon, liturgist, moderator of the PWC, program chairperson of the PWC, lay speaker, and was on the coordinating team of the PWP. Phyllis has been a widow since 2002 when she lost the love of her life. In 2007, she opted to move back to Virginia where most of her family lives. She has two sons, a daughter-in-law, and three grandchildren. Her interests include Biblical literacy, family, reading, sports, classic movies, walking, and people.



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UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

January 3 Second Sunday after Christmas Holy Communion

“God’s Word for a New Year” Jeremiah 31:7-14 Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 John 1:1-18

Evening Worship at 6 led by Rev. Smith

January 10 Baptism of the Lord

“What do you expect?” Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Micah 6:6-8 Luke 10:25-28

January 17 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. Annual meeting of the Congregation

Rev. Smith preaching.

January 24 Third Sunday in Ordinary time

“The Search for Lasting Values” Psalm 19 Nehemiah 8:1-12 Luke 4:14-21

January 31 – Fourth in Ordinary time

“The Search for Community” Psalm 1 Acts 2:1-4, 43-47 Luke 6:17-26

February 7 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Holy Communion. Souper Bowl of Caring

“The Search for Acceptance” Isaiah 6: 1-6 I Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11

Evening Worship at 6 led by Rev. Smith