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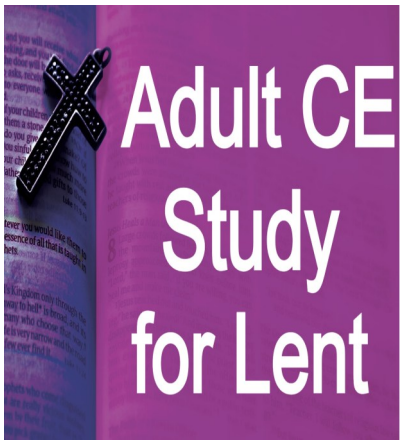
OUTREACH

Seeking and Serving Christ , Sharing God's Love For All Creation

March, 2026



Native Spirituality and Care of the Earth

Sundays, March 1 - 29

Native Spirituality has a deep connection with Creation, and there is much that we can learn from them. Come join us as we explore this connection.

A braid of sweetgrass has three strands which represent the unity of mind, body and spirit that make us whole. We will look at how this sense of unity can help us on our Lenten journey of growing as people of faith who care for the world that God has gifted us. Robin Wall Kimmerer gives us many gems of wisdom in her book *Braiding Sweetgrass* which we will use to guide our discussions.

Come join us in the Beck Room, Sundays at 9:35 a.m. for our class Native Spirituality and Care of the Earth.

Join the Choir for the Lent Season

Love to sing, but can't commit to joining our Chancel Choir full-time?

We would LOVE to have your voice for the Lenten season, beginning Wednesday, March 4 at 7:30pm.

Come sing with us every Wednesday between now and Easter Sunday.

Email Meredith Himmelman meredith@bonairpc.org for more information, and let her know if you are planning to attend!

Jane	Chandler	March 01
Jack	Pearcy	March 02
Kathy	Sestak	March 04
Samuel	Barnes	March 10
Henry	Jacocks	March 14
Jacob	Smouse	March 17
Liz	Little	March 21
Isabella	Lopez	March 23
Lindsey	Copeland	March 25
Ernie	Wright	March 29

Daylight Saving Time Begins
Sunday, March 8

Gwynn Henderson wishes to thank all those who called, visited, and sent cards to her after her fall in February. It was very appreciated.

Sunday, March 29 - Sunday, April 5
(Palm Sunday) **(Easter Sunday)**

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Prayer Ministry - To request prayer support from our church's prayer chain, or to join in this ministry, please call or email Deborah Houghton at 804-484-0153 or email debho@comcast.net, or call or email the church office at 272-7514 or office@bonairpc.org.

THE BAPC SESSION REPORTS

At the February 15, 2026 Stated Session Meeting
the following items were discussed ...

- A motion made, seconded, and approved the Presbyterian Church (USA) Annual Statistical Report.
- A motion was made by the Church and Society Ministry Team that the Peace Study/ Action Group of Bon Air Presbyterian Church (BAPC) endorse the Virginia Coalition for Human Rights on their website. The motion passed.
- A motion was made by the Stewardship and Finance Ministry Team to move $16,953.02 from 2025 excess to Operating Reserve. The motion passed.
- The Cornerstone Endowment Fund Committee made a motion to approve a Minute for Mission on Sunday, May 3, 2026 at both worship services. The motion passed.

Scout Sunday

February 8, 2026

Prime Time Circle
Monday, March 2
2:00 p.m. in Garden Room

Our program will feature Tank, a trained therapy dog. You won't want to miss it. All are welcome! Bring a friend!

Questions? Contact Barbara Howson, 804-357-3087.

Sisters Circle
Tuesday, March 10
10:00 a.m. in Garden Room

Please read lesson #7 in our Horizon study book "Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ." Bring your Bible.

For any questions you may have, contact Gisela Stech.

EARTH CARE CORNER

The next time you reach for a plastic bottle of water, think again. Such bottles contain PFAs, short for per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances. These are known as "forever chemicals" which are found in plastics and other household items. Lightweight and cheap to produce, these forever chemicals take between 20 and 500 years to degrade. And even then, they're not gone but rather have become microplastics—particles that measure less than a grain of rice. Thus, such particles might suggest a threat to human health since they have been found in people's blood, hearts, brains, livers and more.

So instead of grabbing a plastic bottle of water or soda, fill your own bottle that's made of metal (metal can be recycled and made into other items). Such bottles are available in thrift shops, in stores or online.

The environment and your body will thank you for not reaching for a plastic bottle!

R.O.M.E.O's men's group will meet on **Tuesday, March 10** at **Noon** at Mike's Grill on Midlothian Turnpike for lunch and fellowship. All men are invited.

If you plan to join us please contact Pat Clayton, 804-276-6420.

Happy Saint Patrick's Day

Stewardship Corner

St. Patrick's story inspires giving back from a heart of thankfulness for God's blessings.

Time, talents, and treasure:
Giving these things honor St. Patrick not just as a historical figure, but as a continuing inspiration for faithful and generous living.

Bon Air Presbyterian Church Youth Group

BAPC Youth Group is open to any young people grades 6-12 who are looking for a place to explore their faith in a safe and welcoming environment. Our program includes weekly gatherings, outings, mission, and more! Contact Dan Wiard for more information.

Youth Calendar

March 2026

Sundays,
5:30-7:00 p.m.
BAPC Youth Room
(unless otherwise noted)
www.bonairpc.org

March 1 -
BIBLE Scripture is at the foundation of what we, as Presbyterians, believe. Join us tonight as we take a fun and discerning dive in the Bible!

March 8 -
UPTOWN ALLEY BOWLING An evening of fun and fellowship as we hit the bowling alley at Uptown Alley! $21, includes shoes, 1.5 hours bowling, and food. RSVP by 2/15. Pickup and drop off at Uptown Bowling Alley (6101 Brad McNeer Pkwy, Midlothian) 4:00-5:30 p.m.

March 15 -
JESUS CHRIST. "…conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary…" Teacher. Messiah. Son of God. Lord. Savior. Join us as we talk Jesus tonight: who he was and who we believe Jesus to be.

March 22 -
MISSION, We meet at the church from 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. for the congregation-wide mission project Packing Party for Sylvia's Sisters. Lunch provided.

March 29 -
HOLY WEEK Events of Holy Week lead to the most impactful event in our faith: the death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Beginning in April…

Questions of Faith: What is it you've wondered about? Young people ask the question(s) and we will see where our discussion goes!

.Second Sunday South of the James

GREATER RICHMOND CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Sunday, March 8th at 3:30 PM

Currently in their 29th season, under the direction of Crystal Jonkman, the Greater Richmond Children's Choir continues to provide exceptional musical training to young people across our community, welcoming singers from every background. Choristers experience a broad range of choral literature including classics, jazz, spirituals, gospel, musical theater, opera, folk and world music. Join us for an uplifting performance of musical excellence! The concert is free, although donations are encouraged.

Time for Young Disciples
February 8, 2026

CHURCH CLEANUP

Saturday, March 14
8:00 - Noon

(Rain date will be March 21)

Bring gloves, rakes, etc., and join in the fun while beautifying our church grounds.

Sylvia's Sisters

BAPC will host another Sylvia's Sisters kit-packing event in our Fellowship Hall on Sunday, March 22, following 11:00 worship. We have had great attendance for our previous events, so please join our own Brittany Averette (Sylvia's Sisters director) and her team and let's get to work! This is always a joyful event and a great opportunity for fellowship. Feel free to bring your lunch if you wish. Sylvia's Sisters is a unique organization fighting period poverty in the Richmond metro area and beyond.

Please register at https://tinyurl.com/bapcsylvias

BAPC MARCH 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Communion Coffee/Chocolate Sales 8:30 Worship (S) 9:30 Education for Adults 10:00 Coffee/Conversation (P) 10:00 Children/Youth Educ. 10:30 Cherub Choir 11:00 Worship (S/Z) 1:00 Girl Scouts (FH/B/101/103/104) 5:30 Youth Group (FH/B/Youth Rms) 7:00 Pickleball (Fellowship Hall)	2 8:30 Friendship Café (B) 9:30 Yoga (101-103) 2:00 Prime Time Circle (GR) 6:30 Cub Scouts (FH, 101,103,104, B) 7:00 Communications (Z)	3 1:30 SSSJ Committee (GR) 6:30 AA (FH/103) 7:00 Worship & Music (GR)	4 10:30 Staff Meeting (L) 5:00 Hospitality & Welcome (L) 5:30 Cantus Choir 6:15 Dinner (FH) 6:45 Handbells (S) 7:00 Fellowship Team (GR) 7:30 Chancel Choir	5 8:30 Friendship Café (B) 6:00 Yoga (GR) 7:15 Volleyball (FH)	6 6:30 AA (FH/103)	7 9:30 Food Drive
8 Daylight Saving Time begins 8:30 Worship (S) 9:30 Education for Adults 10:00 Coffee/Conversation (P) 10:00 Children/Youth Educ. 10:30 Cherub Choir 11:00 Worship (S/Z) 3:30 SSSJ (S) 4:00 Youth Group (Uptown Alley) 7:00 Pickleball (Fellowship Hall)	9 8:30 Friendship Café (B) 9:30 Yoga (101-103) 6:30 Cub Scouts (FH, 101,103,104, B) 7:00 Cornerstone Endow. Com. (Z)	10 10:00 Sister's Circle (GR) 10:00 BAPP Coffee (B) Noon ROMEO's (Mike's Grill) 1:00 RISC (B) 1:00 BAPP Mtg. (GR) 6:00 Ice-Cream Social (GR) 6:30 AA (FH/103) 7:00 CE-Youth/Children (Sr. High Room) 7:00 Church & Society (B)	11 10:30 Staff Meeting (L) 2:00 Congregational Care (GR) 5:30 Cantus Choir 6:15 Dinner (FH) 6:45 Handbells (S) 7:00 Stewardship (Z) 7:30 Chancel Choir 7:30 Nominating Com. (GR)	12 8:30 Friendship Café (B) 6:00 Yoga (GR) 7:15 Volleyball (FH)	13 6:30 AA (FH/103)	14 8:00 Church Clean-Up Day
15 8:30 Worship (S) 9:30 Education for Adults 10:00 Coffee/Conversation (P) 10:00 Children/Youth Educ. 11:00 One Worship Service (S/Z) 1:00 Girl Scouts (FH/B/101/103/104) 5:30 Youth Group (FH/B/Youth Rms) 7:00 Session (B/Z) 7:00 Pickleball (Fellowship Hall)	16 8:30 Friendship Café (B) 9:30 Yoga (101-103) 5:00 RISC (FH/B) 7:30 Preschool Board (L)	17 6:30 AA (FH/103) 7:00 Property (GR)	18 10:30 Staff Meeting (L) 5:30 Cantus Choir 6:15 Dinner (FH) 6:45 Handbells (S) 7:30 Chancel Choir	19 8:30 Friendship Café (B) 6:00 Yoga (GR) 7:15 Volleyball (FH)	20 6:30 AA (FH/103)	21
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OPEN TRUNK FOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY, March 7
9:30-10:30 in the parking lot.

The food will be taken to Chesterfield Food Bank this month.

If you are able, we hope that you will help us fill this need by contributing non-perishable food on March 7. If you are unable to come that day, please drop off your contribution to the church during office hours. We will make sure it is delivered to the food bank.

Thank you for your continued support in meeting this need in our community.