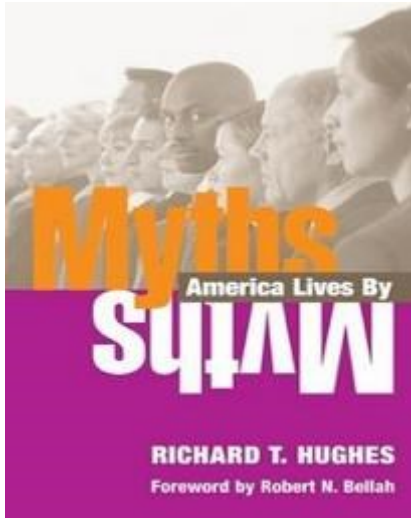




# OUTREACH

*Seeking and Serving Christ to Make a Difference*

*February, 2023*



February 2023 Adult Education Study  
Led by Harold Houghton

Richard Hughes'  
**Myths America Lives By**

**Hughes examines the origins and  
consequences of these myths:**

Chosen Nation, Nature's Nation  
Christian Nation, Millennial Nation  
Innocent Nation

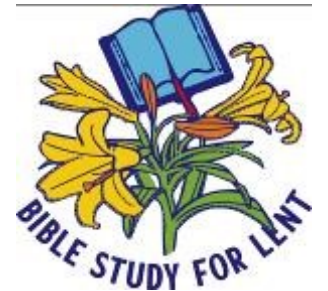
through Sunday, February 19  
9:30 a.m. in the Beck Room or via Zoom



**Lenten Study - *The Gospel of John***

**Sunday Mornings, 9:30 a.m. at BAPC**

**Starts February 26, 2023**



Join us this Lent as we journey together through the Gospel of John. This class will be led by Connor Ferreri, our director of Children and Youth.

Guided by new studies of John by Robert Kysar and Frances Taylor Gench, Connor will invite us, challenge us, and help us to explore the fourth gospel in a new light.

No book required.



- 1st Judi Foster
- 5th Jerry Quigg
- 6th Richard Wyatt
- 8th Ursula Jones
- 10th Mitzi Humphrey
- 12th Jay Lopez
- 13th Nikki Morris, Spencer Jackson
- 14th Darin Smouse
- 16th Sherry Beabout
- 17th Claude Foster
- 18th Louise Ensley
- 21st Kay Robson
- 22nd Norm Negaard
- 23rd Marilyn Shoettinger
- 27th Judy Metz, Phyllis Smith



*Carolyn and I would like to thank everyone at BAPC for your prayers, kind thoughts, cards and support during my dad's brief illness and passing just before Christmas. Even though we had to miss many of our BAPC and family holiday traditions during that time, your love and caring kept us close as if we were here. We are blessed to be part of this wonderful community!*

*Dave Carper*



February 22

- ◆ **Rev. Creager will be available at 9:30AM in the Welcome Center for imposition of ashes**
- ◆ **Dinner at 6:00 p.m.**
- ◆ **Service at 7:00 p.m. with imposition of ashes**

**New Addresses/Phone Numbers:**

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 804-200-1522



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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 272-9495 or email debho@comcast.net, or call or email the church office at 272-7514 or office@bonairpc.org.

# WEEK OF PRAYER

*for Christian Unity*

  
**DO GOOD; SEEK JUSTICE.**  
(Isaiah 1: 17)



*The theme for this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity reflects God's concern for the oppressed who suffer from injustice and inequality fed by hypocrisy that leads to disunity. Isaiah teaches that God requires righteousness and justice from all of us, to create the peace and unity that God desires.*

*The co-pastors of Voices of Jubilee, Rev. Ashley Diaz Mejias and Rev. Lauren Ramseur, will be our keynote speakers for the event.*

*This is our local community's opportunity to observe the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which takes place every year in January. All are welcome!*

**February 19, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

**Bon Air Baptist Church  
2531 Buford Road, Richmond, VA 23235**

**Refreshments and Fellowship to follow worship**



## THE BAPC SESSION REPORTS

At the January 15, 2023, Stated Session Meeting

- Church and Society presented a motion asking that the Session requests the Church and Society Division and the BAPC Peace/Study Group to undertake a study to determine whether BAPC should become a Matthew 25 Congregation as defined by the PCUSA. Moderator Creager offered an amendment to the motion that the study should be explored at the Session level. First amendment to the motion was seconded and passed resulting in the complete motion of: Church and Society requests Session undertake a study to determine whether BAPC should become a Matthew 25 Congregation as defined by the PCUSA. Elder Houghton offered an amendment to the amended motion that was seconded and approved. **The final motion reads, Church and Society requests Session, with input from a leadership team, undertake a study to determine whether BAPC should become a Matthew 25 Congregation as defined by the PCUSA.**
- Elder Jackson from Stewardship reported that the current surplus from FY22 is \$89,663.22
- Motion made by Stewardship and Finance that \$30,000 of the Operating Surplus for 2022 be transferred to the Deferred Maintenance Fund #3723 and the balance of the surplus (\$59,663.22) be transferred to the Operating Reserve Fund #3100 was approved.
- Motion made by Stewardship and Finance to use the Sieben gift of \$21,000 received in December 2022 for the following: up to \$10,000 to purchase new copier and toner, \$300 to Communications Ministry Team for banners for the food drive and the remainder to be determined (funds will stay in temporary holding) was approved.



Second Sunday South  
of the James  
Concert Series  
at Bon Air Presbyterian  
Church

Presents:

**RICHMOND CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

**Sunday, February 12  
3:30 p.m.  
at Bon Air Presbyterian Church**

A free will offering will be taken.

All are invited to join us.



- **Ash Wednesday**, February 22  
**Worship Service at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Weekly dinner starts at 6:00 p.m.**
- February 26 - 1st Sunday in Lent
- March 5 - 2nd Sunday in Lent
- March 12 - 3rd Sunday in Lent
- March 19 - 4th Sunday in Lent
- March 26 - 5th Sunday in Lent
- April 2 - **Palm/Passion Sunday**
- April 6 - **Maundy Thursday**  
**Worship Service at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Dinner at 6:00 p.m. (no dinner on Wednesday)**
- April 9 - **Easter Day**



**Welcome New Member  
Stewart Atkins and family  
Phoebe, Henry & Michael**



**Baptism on January 22**



On Communion Sunday, February 5, Alden Peters and Henry Treanor will be our cross-bearer and candle-lighter, respectively.

In December, Henry Treanor and Henry Jacocks served as acolytes on December 4, and Ben Treanor was the coordinator. Alden Peters and Becky Ogburn were our acolytes for the 8:00 Christmas Eve service. Thank you all for serving the church in this way.

Please know that anyone from first grade through adulthood who would like to participate in the acolyte ministry is welcome. We usually have acolytes on monthly Communion Sundays, Easter Sunday, and the later service on Christmas Eve. If you'd like to try something new that's a very short time commitment on a day you're already coming to church service anyway, please contact Elaine Ogburn at 804-310-6050 or [esogburn@comcast.net](mailto:esogburn@comcast.net). We'd love to have you participate!

**"The Ultimate Gift"**

Starring James Garner, Abigail Breslin, Brian Dennehy and Drew Fuller



"The Ultimate Gift" sends a young man of privilege on an improbable journey. Jason loves all of life's gifts, as long as they're bankable. But when his wealthy grandfather dies, Jason receives a most unusual inheritance: twelve tasks, which his grandfather calls "gifts". He is challenging Jason to grow as a man. If he succeeds, the experience will not only change Jason forever, but he will discover the real meaning of wealth.

**Come join us for a Movie Night and Pizza on Saturday, February 11 at 5:30 p.m. in the Beck Room**

**Pizza, Popcorn and Drinks, as well as Babysitting Services will be provided.**

**Sign-up Sheet is on the Bulletin Board. Please sign up by Wednesday, February 8.**

# Groundhog Day

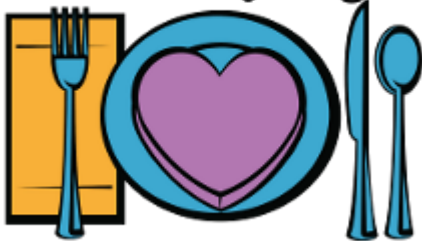


**February 2**



**February 20**

## Wednesday Night



## DINNERS

**6:15 p.m. - in Fellowship Hall**

**Cost for weekly dinner:  
\$8.00 per adult/\$4.00 per child/\$25 family cap**

**Sign up weekly through the link in the bulletin or Weekly News blast or call the church office, 804-272-7514.**



**Sisters Circle will meet**

**Tuesday, February 14  
10:30 a.m.  
in the Garden Room.**

Please read lesson #6 in our study book CELEBRATING SABBATH. Don't forget to bring your Bible.

If you are not able to join us, you can participate by Zoom. Please let Gisela Stech know, and she will send you the link.

Just a reminder: When Chesterfield County Schools are closed, we will NOT meet in person. However, we will have our group meeting by ZOOM.

If you have any questions, call Gisela Stech.



**Prime Time Circle  
will meet**

**Monday, February 6  
2:00 p.m.  
in Garden Room at church**

Anyone interested in getting to know people at Bon Air Presbyterian Church in a small group setting is welcome.

Have questions? Call Barbara at 804-320-2539.



**February 14**



**OPEN TRUNK  
FOOD DRIVE**

**Saturday, February 4  
9:30-10:30 a.m.  
church parking lot.**

We will be collecting food on the first Saturday morning of February in the church parking lot.

**This month the food will be taken to the Bainbridge Food Pantry.** The food supply at the pantry has been low since Christmas and the need has been great so we are depending on this upcoming food collection to help fill the shelves.

Particular needs are cereal, soup, canned fruit, jelly, canned meats/stews and personal hygiene items. The people who come into the pantry for food are so grateful for everything you donate - it means so much to them to have this help in feeding their families.

Thank you for your generosity.



**R.O.M.E.O.'S Group**

R.O.M.E.O.'s men's group will meet on Tuesday, February 14, at Noon at River City Diner for lunch and fellowship.

All men are invited.

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



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### Annual Stewardship Campaign

When God began to create the heavens and the earth- the earth was without shape or form, it was dark over the deep sea, and God's wind swept over the waters- God said, "Let there be light." And so light appeared. God saw how good the light was. God separated the light from the darkness. God named the light Day and the darkness Night. (Genesis 1:1-5)

We kicked off our annual Stewardship Campaign on October 23, when we began thinking about the cherished beginnings within our church. Our campaign scripture from Genesis reminded us that, through creation, God has given us everything.

Thank YOU for pledging your time, talents, and financial resources for this new year. Your pledges are enabling Bon Air Presbyterian to make new beginnings while also supporting programs and plans that are joyfully continued after their beginnings years ago.

If you have not already pledged to support the 2023 Mission and Ministry Operating Budget, it is not too late! Pledge cards can be returned to the church office (Attn: BAPC Financial Secretary) or by using the e-pledge card found here: <https://bonairpc.org/wp/2023-annual-pledge-card/>.