

MARCH 2020



*A People of God Committed to Passionate Worship,
Building Community, Making Disciples,
and Impacting the World*

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday

- 8:45 a.m. Nontraditional Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Meet & Greet Fellowship
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (for all ages)
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

Monday

- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Team

Wednesday

- 9 to 11 a.m. Food Pantry Open
- 5:00 p.m. Choir Practice
- 6:00 p.m. MidWeek Dinner
- 6:45 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday

- 12:00 p.m. Brown Bag Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Bible Study

Scholarships

Available



The Beaver Dam Educational Scholarship Committee is pleased to once again offer scholarships to qualifying full-time college and trade school students for the 2020-21 school year. Applications are available in the Fellowship Hall and Office. Contact Ralph Taylor, Pastor Greg, or Sharon in the office with questions. **Completed applications are due back to the office by Tuesday, March 31.**



**Meal Packaging Event
Saturday, April 25
9:30 to 11:30 a.m.**

Rise Against Hunger operates meal packaging locations in 28 cities throughout the U.S. and five international locations in South Africa, Malaysia, the Philippines, Italy and India. In the past year, more than 430,000 volunteers from corporations, churches, schools and civic organizations packaged Rise Against Hunger meals. Since 1998, volunteers in the U.S. and worldwide have packaged about 500 million meals and provided aid in the form of emergency relief, medical supplies, clothing, school supplies and more to people in need.



Volunteers at a packaging event
Photo credits: Rise Against Hunger



On April 25, Beaver Dam will work with Bybee's Road Baptist, Byrd Chapel Methodist, and the Rise Against Hunger organization to package thousands of nutritious meals during this one day event. It

will be a time of fellowship and ministry for the whole church. There will be a job for everyone! Mark your calendar and visit **riseagainsthunger.org** to learn more about their mission.



Vietnamese schoolgirls who receive RAH meals at their school.



Many thanks to all of you who prayed for the situation of getting my mother moved into assisted living. She's been there for a few weeks now and is getting along quite well (aside from the fact that she fell and gave herself some bruises and a black eye—welcome to the new place!). She seems to be enjoying herself, and my sister and I are now relieved that healthier meals and all medicines taken as prescribed are part of her daily regimen.

Once mom got settled (I use that term loosely since she has already rearranged her room and pictures a number of times) my sister and I turned our attention to cleaning out her little two bedroom cottage. Twenty years of accumulation had to be emptied in 30 days. We knew this day was coming and, try as we may to get a head start on paring down her belongings, we could only do so much with her still around. The task of going through all her “stuff” would prove to be a challenge. Stuff to keep (old pics, memorable items and items we want), stuff good enough to sell, stuff to give to Goodwill, and bags and bags for the dump (items not even worth giving away).

Mom had accumulated lots of stuff over the years. She wasn't a hoarder, but she seemed to keep certain items because there was always the possibility that there would be an opportunity to use them again. In earlier times, mom entertained often and she decorated for every holiday. When she discovered a new holiday item or a discounted piece she was quick to buy it—without replacing the old, and so many things took up residence in storage (attic, garage, cabinet, closet). She was from an era and mindset where you kept something until it no longer served its original purpose—in which case that same item might serve another purpose—so save it!

So my sister and I sorted through years of clutter, with a large portion of that, having served no recent useful purpose, headed to a landfill.

As Christians we have now entered the season of Lent—the 40 day Time of Preparation that Believers through the ages have used to reflect on Jesus' crucifixion, its meaning, and how we might be changed people by

Easter's arrival. On a personal level, Lent is a good time for us to “clean house” and get rid of the clutter of our lives. They can be bad habits, rotten attitudes or laziness clinging to us like old decorations stuffed away in a closet. Stuff that serves no real benefit in making us more like Jesus or worthwhile in enlarging the Kingdom, but has become a part of our lifestyle and we've just accepted it because it's been a part of our lives for so long. Failing to deal with this “stuff” early on means that eventually our personal clutter will affect those close to us. Ultimately, it affects our Christian witness and will keep us from enjoying the abundant life that Jesus promised.



Obviously, house cleaning is not a task that many of us look forward to. We'd pretty much rather be doing anything else—like hiking in the mountains or our favorite hobby. But sooner or later, if we desire the rich, full life that Jesus promised, we must do the hard work of self-reflection and change—getting rid of the clutter of our lives.

Fortunately, we don't have to do this alone—the Holy Spirit is available as a housecleaner!

*Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. For if you live by its dictates, you will die. But if through **the power of the Spirit** you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature, you will live.*

Romans 8.12-13 NLT

Yes, there is hope!

So, how is your spiritual house looking right now? Time for any spring cleaning this Lenten season?

Enjoying the Ride,

MARCH SERVICE TEAMS

USHERS

8:45	- Peggy Colville Mark Shipp Ralph Taylor
11:00	- David Gilliam Tom Payne

****Ushers & Greeters:**
If you are unable to serve on your assigned date, please secure a replacement. Contact John Gooch with questions.

GREETERS

Date	8:45 am	11:00 am
March 1	Gragg Family	David Gilliam
March 8	John & Ruth DeLong	John Gooch
March 15	Donnie & Sandra Stribling	Lori Weakley
March 22	Wally & Susan Parks	Mike & Pam Dean
March 29	Dave & Tammy Johnson	Shay & Kam Aulie

MEET & GREET HOSTS

March 1	Deacons
March 8	Ruth, Jon
March 15	Jeanne, Vivian
March 22	Sharon, Kevin
March 29	Abby, Joyce, John

CLEANING TEAMS

March 2-8	Team 9
March 9-15	Team 1
March 16-22	Team 2
March 23-29	Team 3
Mar 30-Apr 5	Team 4

**Youth Group Meetings:
1st and 3rd Sundays
from 5 to 7 p.m.**



Happy Birthday!

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- Gabriel Gragg 2
- Larry Ryalls 2
- Kristi Thomas 3
- Kara Denby 6
- Elden Bourne 8
- Ruth DeLong 8
- Sandy Binger 10
- Nancy Lippmann 10
- Erin Denby 15
- Matt Gooch 16
- Paul Grabowski 19
- Cheryl Gilliam 20
- Sherry Taylor 24
- Ruth Dillon 26

**Start Your Spring Cleaning!
Youth Yard Sale
Coming in May!**



Thanks to everyone who supported our Youth Ministry at Souper Bowl V.



We raised \$432 toward mission trips, ministries, and youth activities throughout the year.



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9:45 am Fellowship Time
10:00 am Bible Study for all ages
11:00 am Traditional Worship Service

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
01  Communion 5 to 7 pm Youth Group	02 9 am Prayer Time 7:30 pm Fiddle & Banjo Assoc.	03 8 am Ladies CEO Breakfast 10 am FCPR Troy Community Center	04 5 pm Choir 6 pm Dinner 6:45 Bible Study	05 12 pm Bag Lunch 12:30 pm Bible Study	06	07  Fellowship Hall Reserved
08 Daylight Savings Time Begins	09 9 am Prayer Time 7 pm Deacon Meeting	10 9:30 am YHWH Sisterhood Bible Study	11 5 pm Choir 6 pm Dinner 6:45 Bible Study	12 12 pm Bag Lunch 12:30 pm Bible Study 7 pm Finance Meeting	13	14
15 5 to 7 pm Youth Group	16 9 am Prayer Time	17 10 am FCPR Troy Community Center	18 5 pm Choir 6 pm Dinner 6:45 pm Bible Study	19 12 pm Bag Lunch 12:30 pm Bible Study	20 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	21 <i>10-2 Revitalize Conference</i> Fellowship Hall Reserved
22	23 9 am Prayer Time	24 9:30 am YHWH Sisterhood Bible Study	25 8:30 am Comfort & Joy 5 pm Choir 6 pm Dinner 6:45 pm Bible Study	26 9:30 am Creative Fellowship Art Class 12 pm Bag Lunch 12:30 pm Bible Study	27	28
29	30 9 am Prayer Time	31	01	02	03	04

The Food Pantry is open on Wednesdays from 9 to 11 a.m.

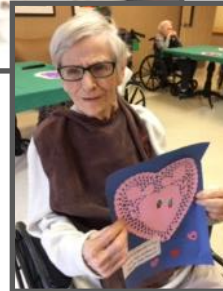
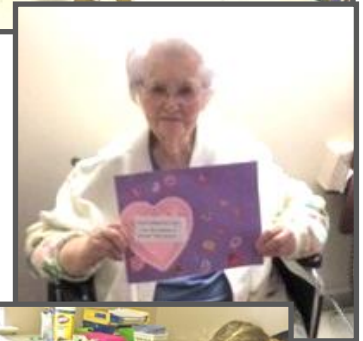
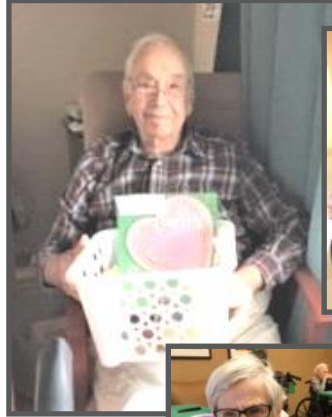
CHILDREN SPREAD LOVE ON VALENTINE'S DAY

2020 is the fourth year our children and their leaders have used Valentine's Day as an opportunity to share a little love with the homebound members of our Beaver Dam family. They filled a useful basket with homemade cards, snacks, and a few other helpful items. These care packages were delivered by several members of the congregation on their weekly rounds.



Photo credits: Sandra Stribling & Megan Snoddy

Thanks, kids!
Your kindness has brought much joy!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL—JUNE 22-26

This year's Vacation Bible School, Rocky Railroad, is comin' round the mountain when she comes. VBS will be **June 22-26** so please mark your calendars. We are still looking for volunteers so if you are interested in helping you can sign up on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary, or email or call Mark Schrecengost at (724) 599-6985 or SchrecengostMA1@gmail.com. If you would like to get involved but aren't sure how to help, please feel free to get in touch, and we will find a way to get everyone involved.

We look forward to making this year's VBS a success,

Mark and Robin Schrecengost
Choo Choo!



"For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength."
(Philippians 4:13)

SIGHT & SOUND THEATER COMES TO TOWN...

Sight and Sound Theater's production of *Jesus* was recorded and will be shown in movie theaters for 3 days only. For more information and to purchase tickets go to the Fathom Events website listed below. Dates for this event are April 7, 9, & 11.

www.fathomevents.com/events/sight-and-sound-jesus



March 2020

Beaver Dam Baptist Church
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Web: beaverdambaptist.org

Greg Wissinger, Pastor
Jesse Hart, Chair of Deacons
Madeleine Shelden, Director of Music
Sharon Buck, Admin. Assistant



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keep up to date on all the
latest church happenings

Revitalize

A conference focused on re-energizing the
Church for the Kingdom of God

Saturday, March 21

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — Cost: \$15 w/lunch

Woodland Baptist Church, Arrington, VA

Contact Pastor Greg or register at BGAV.org/Revitalize
Deadline to register is March 11

Breakout sessions offered on discipleship, planning, evangelism,
outreach, stewardship, youth, addressing conflict & MORE!




Ladies' CEO Breakfast
(Cooks Eating Out)

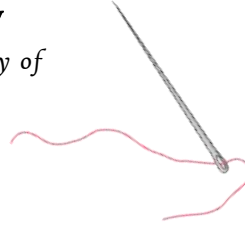
Tuesday, March 3
8 o'clock
Dogwood Restaurant

YHWH Sisterhood Bible Study
Tuesdays, March 10 & 24

9:30 a.m. Refreshments
10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Our study of the Seamless story of Scripture continues...

Contact Joyce Warren or Margaret Eubank with questions.




Comfort & Joy

Wednesday, March 25

8:30 a.m.

BDBC Fellowship Hall

The Comfort & Joy Sewing Team will meet to work on pillows and other sewing projects for our friends and neighbors.

Creative Fellowship Art Class

Spring Edition

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to Noon
March 26 - April 30

Cost: \$20

Learn new watercolor & acrylic painting techniques in a friendly, comfortable environment.

Contact Windy Payne or sign up in the Foyer.



Fluvanna County Parks & Rec Troy Community Center For Seniors

Tuesday, March 3

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. @ BDBC

Sandra Perry—antique expert

Tuesday, March 17

Trip to the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center
National Air & Space Museum at Dulles

Contact Faith at FCPR to 434-842-3150
to RSVP for trip.