

JUNE 2019

# The Messenger

## CURT'S CORNER

*Dr. Curt Kruschwitz*

How do you monitor your spiritual life? By how often you pray? Maybe by how active you are in church, or how often you study the Bible? There are dozens of ways we could monitor the condition of our relationship with God. But according to Pope Francis earlier this year, one of the best ways to monitor the quality of our relationship with Jesus is by noting how often we feel joy from giving generously. "The joy of generous giving is a barometer of the health of a Christian," he said.

So for the first three weeks of June, I'm going to preach on generosity. And honestly, it's probably long overdue. My instinct is to avoid talking about giving, but Jesus talked about money more than family, moral values, or any other topic (except the kingdom of God).

Could it be true that the joy we get in giving may really be a barometer for our spiritual life? Martin Luther once said that there are three conversions necessary: conversion of one's heart, one's mind, and....one's purse. Those who know God best have observed there is a deep connection between our giving and relationship with God.

I often think about generosity in terms of money, but it's about more than money. It's about giving of our time. It's about giving of our talents and gifts. It's about giving of ourselves, so that others can experience

joy. For the next three weeks, we'll look at scripture to learn how we can develop a culture of generosity - and be transformed in the process.

One way you can live generously in by volunteering here at Goochland Baptist Church. We're still seeking volunteers for Vacation Bible School (July 15-19). We can always use volunteers to help with landscaping, nursery, and leading in worship. If you feel called to serve, we've got a spot for you! Your generosity in service here at Goochland Baptist will help make us a strong family of faith for many years to come.

Speaking of the future, I'm going to be hosting some conversations this summer to help think through how God might be leading Goochland Baptist Church to serve in the years ahead. I'd love your help. If you're interested in being part of those conversations, please contact the church office and let us know.

Summer is almost here! With school winding down, we'll have our Summer Celebration cookout on Wednesday, June 5. We'll cook out hamburgers and hot dogs, and we're inviting our church family to bring sides and desserts. We'll have inter-generational games for all ages after dinner. This will be our last Wednesday night dinner until next fall. We hope you'll join us as we kick off the summer together.



**GOOCHLAND**  
**BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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### FLOWERS FOR JUNE:

If you would like to donate flowers for the month of June, please contact **Hope Webb** at **804-396-0646**.



### PRAYER MINISTRY:

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

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**Dr. Curt Kruschwitz**  
Pastor

## Deacon Minutes

Betsy Alvis

The world is full of people with needs. There is always someone, somewhere, who needs a word of encouragement, help with transportation, financial assistance, or just needs a friend.

Ephesians 2:10 says: *We are God's (own) handiwork (His workmanship), recreated in Christ Jesus, (born anew) that we may do those good works, which God predestined, for us.*

Reflecting on this verse brought back memories of the many youth trips I have attended with my children and other youth of our church. While these trips have always been exhausting and physically demanding, the rewards from taking them far out weigh any negatives. I know these trips are meant for the youth to do mission work and spread the love of Jesus to complete strangers, as well as grow spiritually, but it has always been much more than that to me. I LOVE BEING A CHAPERONE FOR THE YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS. I love watching our young people come out of their comfort zone to learn new skills such as hanging dry wall, calling people on the phone (most teens don't do that anymore), and working and praying together.

These trips are about building relationships with others by showing others our relationship with God through service. These mission trips my say "youth" in front of its name, but I find I am the one who is so richly blessed. The spiritual growth witnessed by all involved is immeasurable and irreplaceable. This summer the youth and chaperones will be traveling to Jones County, NC to help those affected by Hurricane Florence. I hope you will join me in praying for our youth and chaperones as they venture to NC this summer. Pray for the impact they will have on others and pray for how you personally can help.

You too, no matter your age, can have an impact on others by doing good works, by being God's handyman or handywoman. Ask God each day to show you whom you can bless and the best way to bless them.

Wednesday, June 5th @ 5:30pm



[www.goochlandchurch.org/calendar](http://www.goochlandchurch.org/calendar)

## GBC YOUTH SCHEDULE

**Sunday Nights @ 5:30pm**  
**Sunday Night Live**

Join us every Sunday night  
and bring a friend for Dinner,  
Games, and Bible Study.

**Stay tuned** for additional youth group  
opportunities during the summer months.

[www.goochlandchurch.org/youth](http://www.goochlandchurch.org/youth)



**GBC YOUTH SUMMER MISSION TRIP**  
**REBUILD JONES COUNTY, NC**  
**JULY 7th-JULY 13th**

There is still space available and we need  
chaperones. Please see Angela Bassett or visit  
[www.goochlandchurch.org/youth](http://www.goochlandchurch.org/youth)

## Recognizing Those Who've Served



With Memorial Day and July 4, the summer months are a time when we remember those who've fallen while serving our country.

We also express thanks for those in our church family who've served, including:

- Jim Allen
- Bill Barr
- Jason Bassett
- Wendall Bowles
- Kevin Dunne
- Frank Faudree
- Dwight Grissom
- Ed Hayes
- Waverly Heath
- Al Henley
- Mickey Meador
- Robert Nuckols
- Stuart Melton
- Nic Sale

## From SMAT...

Staff Ministries Appreciation Team



Happy 4th Wedding Anniversary to Pastor Curt and Erin on June 7th.

## BEHIND THE SCENES

Thank you to the following people who have worked behind the scenes to make GBC a better place over the past few months.

**David Angel** – weed killer

**CT Stewart** – table repair in MPR

**Jeff Parrish** – electrical work

**Chad Bordewyk** – well repair

**Phil Egolf** – mowing lawn

**William and Lila Hicks** – flower work

**George and Janet Koch** – garden beautification

*Undoubtedly, there are others in our church families doing things to help our church. If you see someone doing something behind-the-scenes to make GBC better, please let the church office know at [goochlandchurch@gmail.com](mailto:goochlandchurch@gmail.com).*



Happy Father's Day to Pastor Curt and Waverly. Thanks for being examples of Christian fathers.

**JOY**  
CLUB

**JUNE 26TH**  
**@ 10:30am**

**4 The Lord Southern Gospel**  
**Lunch: Bring a covered dish or dessert!!**

**WHO?** 55 and over,  
**WHEN?** 4th Wednesday of each month @ 10:30am  
**WHERE?** at Goochland Baptist Church. **WHAT?** We promise great programs, good food, and super fellowship time!

**Any questions please call**  
**John Webb at 804-334-9270.**

# ON THE WAY: MAY MISSION PROJECT

For our May mission project, Carol Starke shared with us about the hard working ESL students she is blessed to work with at Elmont Elementary. We all pitched in and made bags for her younger students so that they would have some fun materials to use this summer.



## Multipurpose Room Chair Schedule

The following class is scheduled to setup chairs in the Multipurpose Room before Sunday service.

**June**  
Discovery Class

**July**  
Senior Men's Class

**August**  
Seekers Class

You're Invite to attend  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL @ GBC**  
 Monday, July 15th-Friday, July 19th • 9:00am-12:00pm  
 Children 3 years through rising 5th graders

Out-of-this-world fun and timeless Bible stories that inspire kids to do far beyond...  
 VBS are...  
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[www.goochlandchurch.org](http://www.goochlandchurch.org)

## VBS @ GBC

**July 15th-July 19th • 9:00am-12:00pm**  
 Children 3 years through rising 5th graders

Vacation Bible School is a great opportunity for Goochland Baptist Church to share the love of Christ with our family, friends, neighbors and the Goochland community. If you call GBC home, please pick up some extra invite cards to invite other's to this out-of-this-world event. Also consider volunteering for some or all of VBS week.

**Register Today at:**  
[www.goochlandchurch.org/calendar](http://www.goochlandchurch.org/calendar)

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2019 HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES

Join us **Sunday, June 16th @ 8:45am & 11:00am** as we recognized our graduates,  
as well as celebrate their accomplishments and future endeavors.

### HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



**Emmy Faith Alvis**  
Goochland High School  
Emmy will be attending  
Virginia Tech in the fall.



**Cameron Phillip Bassett**  
Patrick Henry High School  
Cameron will be attending  
Hampden Sydney College  
in the fall.

### COLLEGE GRADUATE



**Caroline Mae Betcher**  
Mills Godwin High School  
Caroline will be studying  
nursing at East Carolina  
University in the fall.



**Kendal Lindsay Michels**  
Christopher Newport  
University  
Bachelor of Arts in Biology  
with a Minor in  
Psychology.

**Giving To GBC Is Now Easier Than Ever!**



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ENVELOPES



TEXT TO GIVE



BILL PAY

Visit [www.goochlandchurch.org/give](http://www.goochlandchurch.org/give) to learn more.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

**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**

Youth Group - 6:00pm  
 Praise Team - 7:00pm

**THURSDAYS**

Exercise Class - 7:00pm



**ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- June 2** Lord's Supper @ 8:45am & 11:00am
- June 5** GBC Summer Cookout @ 5:30pm  
 Building & Property Committee Meeting @ 6:30pm
- June 10** Deacon Meeting @ 6:00pm  
 Church Council @ 7:00pm
- June 11** Olive Riddell Circle @ 2:00pm
- June 12** Children's Ministry Meeting @ 5:30pm
- June 16** Graduation Recognition @ 8:45am & 11:00am
- June 20** Messenger Deadline
- June 26** JOY Club @ 10:30am

**SUNDAY SERVING SCHEDULE**

**GREETERS**

- 02** 8:45 Betsy Alvis  
11:00 Phil Egolf
- 09** 8:45 Shannon Wilson  
11:00 Jim Allen
- 16** 8:45 Betsy Alvis  
11:00 Gayle Stanley
- 23** 8:45 Jim Fields  
11:00 Russ Starke
- 30** 8:45 Chad Bordewyk  
11:00 Betsy Alvis

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

- 02** 8:45 Wayne Melton  
11:00 John Webb
- 09** 8:45 David Angel  
11:00 Jim Fields
- 16** 8:45 James Melton  
11:00 Jim Allen
- 23** 8:45 Youth  
11:00 NEED
- 30** 8:45 Russ Starke  
11:00 Selma Herweyer

**RESPONSIVE READING**

- 02** 8:45 Lynn Hayes  
11:00 John Webb
- 09** 8:45 Audrey Taylor  
11:00 Jim Fields
- 16** 8:45 Kristie Gee  
11:00 John Webb
- 23** 8:45 Lynne Keegan  
11:00 Teri Frank
- 30** 8:45 Lynn Hayes  
11:00 Barbara Fillion

**USHERS**

*Contemporary 8:45am Service*

- 02** Ralph Claytor, David Denton, Raymon Roberts, NEED
- 09** Allen Bowles, David Denton, George Koch, Keith Spaulding
- 16** Dwight Grissom, Gerry Nuckols, Glenn Nuckols, Brie Roberts
- 23** Youth
- 30** George Koch, NEED 3

**USHERS**

*Traditional 11:00am Service*

- 02** Robert Nuckols & Jim Fields
- 09** Jerry Anderson & Jim Allen
- 16** Kevin Richardson & Al Henley
- 23** Jean Fields & Betty Bowers
- 30** Hope Webb & Frankie White

**NURSERY**

- 02** 8:45 Maggie Arnold, Jaclyn Peck, NEED  
**Sunday School** Betsy Alvis & Brett Alvis  
 11:00 Phyllis Henley & Frankie White
- 09** 8:45 Dee Parrish, Crystal Waldrop, Cheryl Sale  
**Sunday School** Betsy Alvis & Brett Alvis  
 11:00 - Maggie Arnold & Hope Webb
- 16** 8:45 Cecilia Bowles, Kristy Murren & Sandi Fisher  
**Sunday School** Betsy Alvis & Brett Alvis  
 11:00 Phyllis Henley & Courtney Marsh
- 23** 8:45 Mila Spaulding, Kitt & Robert Townsend  
**Sunday School** Betsy & Brett Alvis  
 11:00 Erin Henley, Kitt & Robert Townsend
- 30** 8:45 Erin Henley, Lisa Smallwood, Mila Spaulding  
**Sunday School** Betsy & Brett Alvis  
 11:00 Sandi Fisher & Crystal Waldrop

**SERVE @ GBC**

1st Service Ushers & Nursery, 2nd Service Offertory Prayer & Responsive Reading. See NEEDS listed above.

**April 2019**

**Sunday School Average Attendance**

Preschool	3
Children	7
Youth	8
Adults	73
Monthly Average	92

**April Financial Report**  
**General Fund:** \$24,451.00  
**Property Maintenance:** \$435.00

**SUMMER BREAK**

**NO Wednesday Night Activities**

There will be no Wednesday night activities starting the week after our June 5th cookout. We will be taking a break during the summer months and will resume September 4th.