

APRIL 2018

The Messenger

CURT'S CORNER

Dr. Curt Kruschwitz

Today, Easter Sunday, is a day about coming alive. "God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death," Peter proclaims with boldness in Acts 2:24. Two thousand years later, Easter Sunday is still a day to celebrate life. It's a day to celebrate joy. It's a day to celebrate the hope we have that God overcomes sin, death, and everything else that entangles us. Our church exists because of Easter Sunday. At our core, we're a people of hope.

The hope of the gospel is that God is still raising people to new life. Jesus' resurrection from the dead gives us all hope that one day, we too will experience a bodily resurrection. Death will not have the final word. God will.

One of the most memorable weeks for Erin and me when we first moved to Goochland last year came last spring. We were AMAZED at how the forest behind our house blossomed. Over a period of just a few days, the forest turned from dark and brittle to green and vibrant. Spring has a way of reminding us that hope of the resurrection is not only for the life to come — God raises us to new life now. Just as spring moves us from darkness to light, cold to warmth, and dull grays to bright colors, so too God moves us towards new life. This spring, my hope is that you'll consider ways that the resurrected Jesus may be calling you to come alive. He calls each one of us to rise up into the fullness of life that God has created for us.

Over the next five weeks, in our new sermon series "Raised," we'll study how the resurrection makes all the difference in our own lives today. By repeatedly using the Greek verb *egeiró* (to raise), the author of Mark gives clues as to ways that Jesus Christ raises people to new life right here on earth. Each Sunday, we'll examine a

different story from Mark's Gospel that shows us concrete ways Jesus raises us to new life on earth. We'll all be encouraged and challenged as we consider how Jesus raises us to new life today.

Please mark your calendars for our children's **Spring Bible Blitz: April 22, 29, and May 5, from 5:30-7:00 pm.** We've had a great response from children in our church and community during our Fall and Winter Bible Blitzes, so help us spread the word that this is the place for children to be on Sunday nights. Not only will children have dinner, games, songs, and a craft each week, but they'll also be immersed in truths of the Bible.

As always, I'm thankful to all of you for the opportunity you've given me to be your pastor! It's a true honor and privilege, and I don't take it lightly. In addition, I'm particularly thankful for a few folks who've gone above and beyond over the past weeks. I'm grateful to Betsy Alvis for bringing homemade prayer quilts for church members to sign and send to some of our church members. I'm thankful to the Parrish family for their electrical work in our church office. George Koch has spent time freshening up the flower beds. Phyllis Henley and Lois Grissom have worked hard in coordinating flowers for Easter to make our church look beautiful. In our new building, you may have noticed that our Sunday School classrooms have been "refreshed" over the past few weeks. Special thanks go to Mila Spaulding for envisioning more welcoming rooms, and to Meleah Mitchell, Susan Angel, Adam Phlegar, and Keith Spaulding for their help in redecorating those rooms. As we celebrate the season of new life, I'm grateful for the new life so many of you have brought to our church. May God bless us as we all allow God to raise us to new life this spring.



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BAPTIST CHURCH

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LISTEN ONLINE:

goochlandchurch.org/sermons



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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Manakin-Sabot, VA 23103
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www.goochlandchurch.org

Facebook:

[GoochlandBaptistChurch](https://www.facebook.com/GoochlandBaptistChurch)

Dr. Curt Kruschwitz
Pastor

Rev. Adam Phlegar
Pastor to Families

Deacon Minute

Shannon Wilson

I was reading an article recently and the quote that they used really resonated with me.

The quote was, "people support what they help create". In Isaiah 64:8 it says, "But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter, we are all the work of your hands." God is the only creator of man but we can help to create much value and purpose wherever we are.

I think this quote is true in many settings such as in our home, at work and our place of worship. People like to be involved and it gives an inner connectivity for ideas and purpose to be involved. We like to be a part of the plan no matter the place. It is important for people to feel vested and to be involved in making things better, focusing on others and establishing a sense of unity.

In our church congregation, we are blessed with so many that give their time, effort and support. May we continue to reach beyond the walls of the church and to bring others to Christ and to unite the community in worship. We are each an integral part in God's plan!



Have a submission for the May Messenger?

DEADLINE IS APRIL 19.

Please bring articles and/or photos to the church office or email to Goochlandchurch@gmail.com.

ADAM'S UPDATES

Rev. Adam Phlegar

CHILDREN:



Spring Bible Blitz will be held April 22nd, 29th, and May 6th. This is a free, fun-filled evening where the children will participate in numerous activities such as learning a new Bible story, creating exciting crafts, singing and dancing, playing awesome games, and so much more. Dinner will be provided. Register online at goochlandchurch.org/calendar.



Mark your calendars for the week of **July 16th-20th** as we will be hosting our annual **Vacation Bible School**. This year's theme is **Rolling River Rampage** where we will invite children on a white-water rafting adventure to experience the ride of lifetime with God. Along the river, the children will discover that life with God is an adventure full of wonder and surprise, and that they can trust God to be with them through anything. We will have energetic music, exciting science, creative crafts, fun recreation, and memorable Bible stories to help kids know that God is always with them as they ride the rapids of amazing grace.

YOUTH:

Charity Golf Tournament

We will be holding a charity golf tournament on May 5th @ 1:00pm at The Hollows Golf Course to benefit GBC Youth Missions. See details on the attached flyer. You can also register online at goochlandchurch.org/calendar.

Summer Mission Trip Updates

The Youth will be going to Houston, TX for our Summer Mission Trip to help with Hurricane Relief efforts. The dates for the trip are **June 22nd-29th**. The total cost of the trip will be approximately \$500. Financial assistance is available. Contact Pastor Adam with questions.

Sunday Schedule

April 1st – Easter Sunday - There will be NO Youth Group this evening.

April 8th @ 5:30pm - Fellowship and Game Night in the Youth Basement.

April 15th @ 5:30pm - Life Skills Sunday: We will be doing a Spiritual Gift inventory for each youth. We hope that this information will be insightful for the youth as they grow into the people that God has created them to be.

April 22nd @ 5:30pm - Service Project Sunday. Tune in for more details.

April 29th @ 5:30pm - Hot Topic Conversation Sunday: We will dive into the hot topics and wrestle with the Christian response to these hot topics.

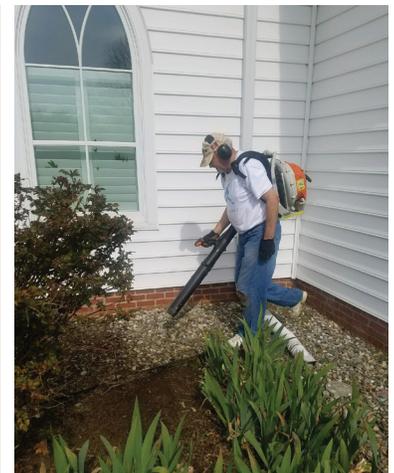
The Church on the Web

Check out our updated website www.goochlandchurch.org.

And follow us on Facebook @GoochlandBaptistChurch for the latest news, updates, event information, and much more.

THANK YOU!

To everyone of you who are bringing new life to Goochland Baptist Church.



George Koch

Shutterfly Online Directory

Please remember to update your information with the church office—specifically if there are changes in phone numbers, mailing addresses or email addresses. The office will let us know and we'll update the contact list on Shutterfly.

If you would like an updated picture of your family placed on our online directory, you can either

- submit your own photograph by emailing it to davesueangel@verizon.net; or
- ask Susan Angel or Gwen Padgett to take a photograph of your family at church!

We like to keep the Shutterfly site current as this takes the place of a printed directory. Remember that this site is a restricted site. You must be made a member in order to gain access. The site is FREE, you just go on and give yourself a password. If you are not a member and would like to be added, just email davesueangel@verizon.net.

April JOY Club

Wednesday, April 25th

Guest: Mount Vernon's Young at Heart Choir

Lunch: Fish Fry by JOY Club.
Bring a Dessert.

Who? 55 and over

When? 4th Wednesday of each month @ 10:30am

What? We promise great programs, good food, and super fellowship time! Not been to JOY Club? Come!!

Any questions, please call John Webb at 334-9270.

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

Family Dinner - 5:45pm
 Praise Team Practice - 6:30pm
 Youth Group - 6:30pm
 Bible Studies - 6:30pm

THURSDAYS

Exercise Class - 7:00pm

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

- April 1** NO YOUTH
- April 4** NO WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES
- April 8** Youth Game Night @ 5:30pm
- April 9** Church Council @ 7:15pm
- April 10** Olive Riddell Circle @ 2:00pm
- April 15** Youth - Life Skills @ 5:30pm
- April 16** Deacon's Meeting @ 7:15pm
- April 18** Music Ministry Meeting @ 5:45pm
- April 19** Deadline for May Messenger submissions
- April 22** Youth Service Project
Spring Bible Blitz @ 5:30pm
- April 25** Joy Club Meeting @ 10:30pm
- April 29** Youth - Hot Topic @ 5:30pm
Spring Bible Blitz @ 5:30pm

SUNDAY SERVING SCHEDULE

GREETERS

- 01** 8:45 Shannon Wilson
11:00 Russ Starke
- 08** 8:45 Chad Bordewyk
11:00 Gwen Padgett
- 15** 8:45 Russ Starke
11:00 Jim Allen
- 22** 8:45 Russ Starke
11:00 David Angel
- 29** 8:45 Betsy Alvis
11:00 Russ Starke

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- 01** 8:45 Wayne Melton
11:00 Jim Allen
- 08** 8:45 Russ Starke
11:00 Jim Fields
- 15** 8:45 James Melton
11:00 Jim Allen
- 22** 8:45 Youth
11:00 Anne Henley
- 29** 8:45 David Angel
11:00 Selma Herweyer

USHERS

Contemporary 8:45am Service

- 01** Keith Spaulding, Ralph Claytor, David Denton
- 08** Keith Spaulding, Doug Brandmahl, Allen Bowles, David Denton
- 15** Glenn Nuckols, Gerry Nuckols, Dwight Grissom
- 22** Youth
- 29** Waldon Chisholm, Glenn Nuckols, Cliff Hyman

Traditional 11:00am Service

- 01** Robert Nuckols & Jim Fields
- 08** Jerry Anderson & Jim Allen
- 15** Kevin Richardson & Al Henley
- 22** Jean Fields & Betty Bowers
- 29** Hope Webb & Frankie White

NURSERY

- 01** 8:45 Mila Spaulding, Kasey Hicks & Jaclyn Peck
Sunday School - Betsy Alvis & Frankie Melton
11:00 - Kari Phlegar & Frankie Melton
- 08** 8:45 - Jean Fields, Cheryl Sale, & Meleah Mitchell
Sunday School - Betsy Alvis & Kari Phlegar
11:00 - Misty Colgin, Hope Webb & Susan Angel
- 15** 8:45 - Cecilia Bowles & Erin Kruschwitz
Sunday School - Betsy Alvis & Mila Spaulding
11:00 - Phyllis Henley & Courtney Marsh
- 22** 8:45 - Ruth Audia, Mila Spaulding & Barbara Chisholm
Sunday School - Betsy & Brett Alvis & Mila Spaulding
11:00 - Kitt & Robert Townsend & Erin Henley
- 29** 8:45 - Mila Spaulding, Cliff Hyman & Billie Massie
Sunday School - Betsy Alvis
11:00 - Kari Phlegar & Jaclyn Peck

RESPONSIVE READING

Traditional 11:00am Service

- 01** Russ Starke
- 08** Jim Fields
- 15** Lee Proffitt
- 22** Teri Frank
- 29** Lee Proffitt

February 2018

Sunday School Average Attendance

Preschool	5	Adults	66
Children	10	Monthly	
Youth	7	Average	88

February Financial Report

General Fund	Property Maintenance
\$18,338.01	\$292.81

We Need Your Help!

Sunday service would not be possible without the help of those who volunteer their time each month. If you are not currently serving somewhere at GBC, would be able to commit to at least one Sunday a month, and would be interested in one of the positions above, please email Goochlandchurch@gmail.com.

And to those who are already serving, thank you!



CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

TO BENEFIT GOOCHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH YOUTH MISSIONS

The Hollows Golf Course Saturday, May 5th • 1:00pm

Please send your team information or hole sponsorship and checks made payable to Goochland Baptist Church by **April 25th** to:

Morris Nuckols 15354 Ashland Road, Glen Allen, VA 23059
804-920- 8405 (Cell) • 804-749- 3675 (Home)

Contact Information:

Name: _____ Email: _____

\$400 Per Team for Golf & Dinner

Player 1: _____ Player 2: _____

Player 3: _____ Player 4: _____

Hole Sponsorships \$100 Each

What would you like printed on your hole sponsorship sign?

Goochland Baptist Church Youth Missions includes monthly projects in our community as well as one week long mission trip each summer. Summer mission trips allows our youth to devote an entire week spreading the word of God through helping others. All proceeds of this golf tournament will benefit their mission outreach efforts. **Thank you for your support of our youth outreach within our community and beyond.**