

JANUARY 2019

The Messenger

CURT'S CORNER

Dr. Curt Kruschwitz

"I am the light of the world. The one who follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

This past month, I read from someone who suggested, "If you can't tell someone how God has impacted your life over the past month, your relationship with God may not be as close as you think." That gave me real pause. Because it's easy to say that we follow Jesus and that we love God, while we continue living our lives in autopilot, living the way WE think is best. It has made me consider, "How am I following God on a day-to-day basis?"

As we begin a new year together, I'd invite you to consider how you are following God right now. If someone asked you, "What's one thing you've done in the last week because you felt led by God to do it?" What would you say?

Over the past few months, we've talked a lot about how God invites us to follow God in three directions: up, out, and in. We've learned that if we want to experience the fullness of the Jesus life, we're called to follow God in each of those three directions...not just the one direction that comes most naturally to us.

In the same way, we've seen how churches that flourish follow God in all three of those directions, too. In 2019, we want

to make sure GBC is intentionally following God in all three directions. That will require your help! This year, we're going to be asking our church family to prayerfully consider ONE of those directions that they'll agree to serve in the church. We'll put together three teams: an UP team, an IN Team, and an OUT Team - and we're asking each person in our church family to pick one to serve on. The UP team will focus on helping connect our church family with God, focusing primarily on worship and education. The IN team will focus on developing a sense of caring and community within our church family. The OUT team will help us creatively bless our community (and the world) in Jesus' name. Your deacons will be talking with you more about this. Of course, we're not going to make anyone do anything. But we hope that God will lead you to commit to serve in one of those three areas for 2019. Because that is how the church functions...when it's people follow the way of Jesus.

That's a good thing. Because Jesus himself reminds us that when we follow him intentionally, we'll never walk in darkness. He promises to guide us. We'll have the light of life.

Happy New Year! I look forward to serving alongside you this year.



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FLOWERS FOR JANUARY:

If you would like to donate flowers for the month of January, please contact **Lois Grissom at 804-883-5532** or **Phyllis Henley 784-3433**.



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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Pastor

Rev. Adam Phlegar
Pastor to Families

Deacon Minutes

Gayle Stanley

As we begin 2019, we are grateful to serve as your deacons. Your deacon team consists of: Jim Allen, Betsy Alvis, Angela Bassett, Chad Bordewyck, Phil Egolf, Jim Fields, Gayle Stanley, Russ Starke, and Shannon Wilson.

Acts tells us that the early church leaders appointed deacons to care for the needs of the congregation and support the apostles in their ministry. We count it a privilege to serve as your deacons and support the work of the church. We want to get to know you better, to hear your prayer requests, to pray with you, and to stand beside you in times of joy and need.

During the month of January, you can expect to be contacted by your deacon. Please don't hesitate to reach out to your deacon with your prayer requests and needs. In March, we will have our annual Deacon's Dinner where we will have a chance to serve you in a time of fellowship. Be on the look-out for more news about this.

As we begin the new year, would you commit to praying for your deacons? Pray that we will firmly hold to the characteristics 1 Timothy describes, that we would be attentive to the needs of our families, that we would seek God's wisdom and direction in ways that we might be able to serve the church, and that we might show love and kindness to all just as our Lord Jesus taught us to do.

ADAM'S UPDATES

Rev. Adam Phlegar

YOUTH:

Sunday Schedule for January

January 6th Fellowship Sunday, 5:30-7:00pm

January 13th Service Project, 5:30-7:00pm

January 20th Life Skills, 5:30-7:00pm

January 27th Hot Topics Conversations, 5:30-7:00pm

GIFT WRAP PLEASE:

What an amazing time of worship we had on Sunday, Dec. 16th at the "Gift Wrap Please" Christmas Program. A special "thank you" goes out to all those that participated and made this program such an inspiring time of worship. The singers sang harmoniously, the dancers danced eloquently, the actors acted extraordinarily, and all helped remind us of the true meaning of the season. A huge "shout-out" goes out to Jaclyn Peck, Angela Bassett, and Susan Angel as the three of them were the masterminds behind the entire program. Thank you!!! Thank you!!! Thank you!!! See photos on page 5 of this newsletter.

NURSERY UPDATES:

Nursery volunteers are just ordinary people that do extraordinary things. They offer their time, energy, knowledge, and wisdom in order to teach, help, build up, nurture, and inspire children. If you are looking for a place that you can serve here at GBC, look no further than the Sunday morning Nursery. You will have an opportunity to teach, help, build up, nurture, and inspire all while being able to play, laugh with, and grow alongside the children and GBC. If you are willing and able to serve in the nursery for one Sunday a month, please review the 2019 Nursery Schedule below and contact Pastor Adam with the preferred Sunday.

1st Sunday:

8:45 AM: Winsor Egolf, Kasey Hicks, and Jaclyn Peck

11:00 AM - Kari Phlegar, Frankie Melton

2nd Sunday:

8:45AM - Cheryl Sale, NEED, and NEED

11:00AM - Misty Colgin, Hope Webb, Susan Angel

3rd Sunday:

8:45AM - Cecilia Bowles, NEED, and NEED

11:00AM - Phyllis Henley, Courtney Marsh

4th Sunday:

8:45AM - Mila Spaulding, NEED, and NEED

11:00AM - Kitt Townsend, Robert Townsend, Erin Henley

5th Sunday:

8:45AM - Mila Spaulding, NEED, and NEED

11:00AM - NEED, NEED, and NEED



THANK YOU

Jimmy Allen for pressure washing around our church campus.

Russ Starke for donating steel for our sign in Centerville.

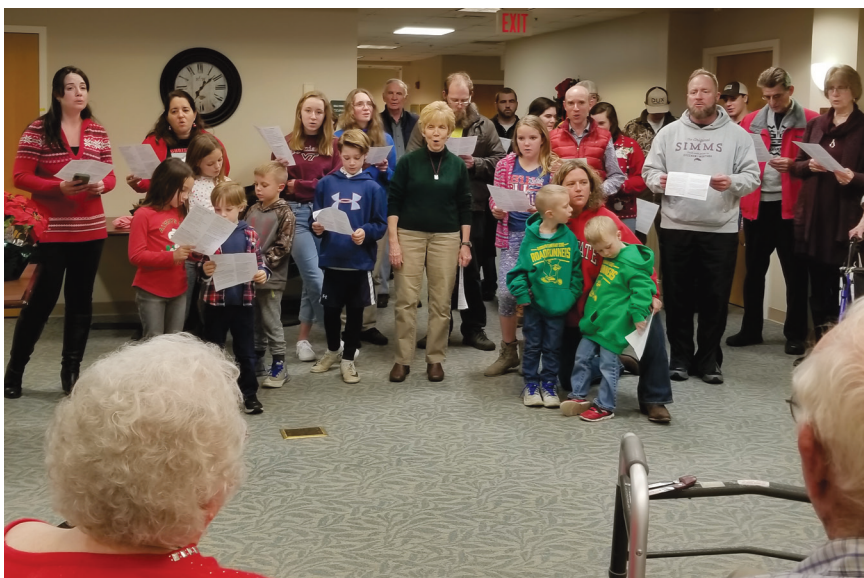
Jeff Parrish for adding an electrical outlet in the new building.

John Webb and Jim Fields for clearing our parking lot during the recent snow.



ON THE WAY MISSION PROJECT

On Wednesday, December 19th, our On The Way Inter-generational mission project was Christmas Caroling for the residents and staff at Lakewood.



ON THE WAY: WEDNESDAYS @ GBC

Jan. 9th

5:30pm Dinner
6:15pm Mission Project.

Jan. 16th

5:30pm Dinner
6:15pm Guest Speaker, Lynne Hughes,
Comfort Zone Camp.

Jan. 23rd

5:30pm Dinner
6:15pm Mission Project.

Jan. 30th

5:30pm Dinner
6:15pm Bible Study.

On the Way: Wednesdays @ GBC activities are planned with the entire family in mind. Mission projects on the 1st and 3rd Weds. are appropriate for all ages to participate. Children will take part in their own music and missions lesson the 2nd and 4th Wed., and youth will take part in their own Bible Study on the 4th Wed. All are welcome!

[www.goochlandchurch.org/
wednesday-nights](http://www.goochlandchurch.org/wednesday-nights)

JOY CLUB

**JANUARY 23rd
@ 10:30am**

“Tangier Island” by Bill Lohmann
from the Richmond Times-Dispatch.
Lunch: Homemade Soups and desserts furnished
by membership. Salad provided by the Joy Club.

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.**

BOY
OR BOY!

IT'S DOUBLE
THE JOY!

Please join us for a
Baby Shower
honoring

ERIN KRUSCHWITZ

Sunday, January 20, 2:00 pm

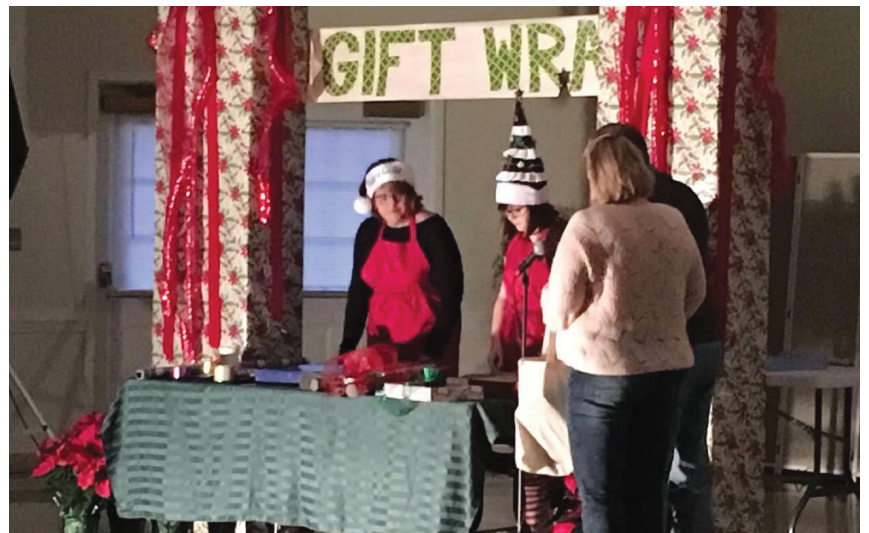
Multipurpose Room at GBC

RSVP at church or text 240-2226

Registries Available at TARGET and AMAZON

GIFT WRAP PLEASE

Thank you to everyone involved in this year's Christmas Program, *Gift Wrap Please*. We were so please to see everyone who came out to share this special night.



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 - 5:30pm
 Prayer - 6:10pm
 On The Way Activities - 6:15pm
 Praise Team - 7:00pm

THURSDAYS

Exercise Class - 7:00pm



ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Jan. 2** No Wednesday Night Activities
- Jan. 6** Lord's Supper @ 8:45am & 11am
 Youth - Fellowship Sunday @ 5:30pm
- Jan. 8** Olive Riddell Circle @ 2:00pm
- Jan. 9** Children's Ministry Meeting @ 5:30pm
- Jan. 13** Youth - Service Project @ 5:30pm
- Jan. 14** Church Council @ 7:15pm
- Jan. 16** Music and Worship Meeting @ 5:30pm
- Jan. 17** February Messenger Deadline
- Jan. 20** Youth - Life Skills @ 5:30pm
- Jan. 21** Deacon's Meeting @ 7:15pm
- Jan. 23** JOY Club @ 10:30am
- Jan. 27** Youth - Hot Topic Conversations @ 5:30pm

SUNDAY SERVING SCHEDULE

GREETERS

- 06** 8:45 Gayle Stanley
11:00 Jim Allen
- 13** 8:45 Shannon Wilson
11:00 Jim Fields
- 20** 8:45 Betsy Alvis
11:00 Russ Starke
- 27** 8:45 Angela Bassett
11:00 Chad Bordewyk

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- 06** 8:45 Wayne Melton
11:00 John Webb
- 13** 8:45 David Angel
11:00 Jim Fields
- 20** 8:45 James Melton
11:00 Jim Allen
- 27** 8:45 Youth
11:00 NEED

RESPONSIVE READING

- 06** 8:45 Russ Starke
11:00 John Webb
- 13** 8:45 Audrey Taylor
11:00 Jim Fields
- 20** 8:45 Kristie Gee
11:00 NEED
- 27** 8:45 Lynne Keegan
11:00 Teri Frank

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Contemporary 8:45am Service

- 06** Ralph Claytor, David Denton, Raymon Roberts, Keith Spaulding
- 13** Allen Bowles, Doug Brandmahl, David Denton, Keith Spaulding
- 20** Dwight Grissom, Gerry Nuckols, Glenn Nuckols, Brie Roberts
- 27** Youth

USHERS

Traditional 11:00am Service

- 06** Stuart Melton & Jim Fields
- 13** Jerry Anderson & Jim Allen
- 20** Kevin Richardson & Al Henley
- 27** Jean Fields & Betty Bowers

NURSERY

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SERVE @ GBC

If you are not currently serving at GBC on Sunday mornings, we could use your help! To learn more about places to serve, visit www.goochlandchurch.org/serve-gbc or email Goochlandchurch@gmail.com.

November 2018

Sunday School Average Attendance

Preschool	4
Children	12
Youth	11
Adults	75
Monthly Average	102

November Financial Report

General Fund: \$22,200.50
Property Maintenance: \$850.00

Coming to GBC in 2019...

In 2019, Goochland Baptist Church will begin using a web-based church management system called Breeze. This software will improve communication within the church as well as provide volunteer schedule management and children check-in. Stay tuned for more information!

