

THE WINDOW

The Baptist Church of Beaufort Monthly Newsletter



Please plan to join us for the candlelight Christmas Eve Worship Service on Thursday, December 24. We will gather for worship at 4:00 pm and again at 5:30 pm. Sign-ups for worship are required. Facemasks are required. We will practice social distancing. These are family-friendly services. Childcare will not be provided. **RSVP at bcob.org/christmas.**



On Monday, December 14, and Tuesday, December 15, from 9:30 until 11:30 am and again from 5:00 until 7:00 pm, you are invited to experience “Quiet Days and Nights of Advent.” This self-guided journey will be held on the 2nd floor of Building B. Pick the day and time that best fits your schedule, wear your facemask, and drop-in for this Advent experience. Enter the elevator connector entrance, use the stairs in Building C, or take the elevator to the 2nd floor. The goal of “Quiet Days and Nights of Advent” is to offer a quiet environment in which you can spend time alone reflecting on this season, your life, and your relationship with God. At the Welcome/Check-in Station, you will receive a set of instructions for the self-guided journey through seven stations. Don’t miss this Advent opportunity to experience God’s presence.



The church family is encouraged to practice a focused, prayerful, and reflective Advent season by reading the Advent devotional, “And the Word Was God.” Pick up a copy of the devotional at the tent before or after worship on Sunday. Devotional guides are also available for pick up in the church office during the week.



The Longest Night

The Advent and Christmas Season can be difficult for those who have experienced loss and the grief that comes with it. Coming in conjunction with the winter solstice, we will gather in the Sanctuary on Tuesday, December 21 at 6:00 pm for “The Longest Night Service.” This service will be a time of reflection for anyone who has experienced life-changing events, whether through death, loss of a relationship, loss of job, separation, divorce, loss of health, or other significant events. Everyone is invited to place an offering of memories on the table before the service begins; these symbols may be photos or other items related to your loss. Memory items can be taken home after the service. Stephen Ministers will be available in the Green Room following the service to meet for conversation and prayer. Invite neighbors, friends, and family members who have experienced loss to join us for this meaningful time of worship.



Growing Young

The Baptist Church of Beaufort has taken an exciting, courageous, and important step to invest in a movement called Growing Young. Our Growing Young Core Team currently includes James Quandahl, Landon Collins, Mary Rich, Steve Andrews, Julie Hunter, Debbie Pethel, and Jeff Pethel. The core team has already read a book, attended two online day-long Summits, participated in webinars, engaged in coaching calls with Jay Kieve, completed surveys, studied reports, and meet regularly to plan strategies.

Our goal is to improve on being a church young people (ages 15 to 29) will discover and love. By looking at the reality of BCOB’s unique culture, we desire to make our next steps bring life and vitality to our overall congregation. In the near future, we anticipate our congregation’s participation by completing a survey, which will assist us in our work. In addition, we are searching to grow our team. Take time to pray for our team as we attend future Summits.

Begin to listen and become aware of the following practices:

Keychain Leadership
Empathy Today
Jesus’ Message
Warm Relationships
Prioritize Everywhere
Best Neighbors

You will learn more about these practices in the months to come. These practices will help our congregation continue to lean into our calling as a Jesus-centered community for all generations.

Thank You, Church Family!

Thank you, church family, for donating food and money to make “Baskets of Blessings” possible this year. Your kindness made Thanksgiving meals possible for 20 families in our community. Thank you also for donating toys for HELP of Beaufort’s Christmas Toy Drive. Your generosity is much appreciated! Well done!

Study for Awareness

This women's book study group meets on the third Tuesday of every month to discuss books related to social issues in our neighborhood and across the world. Our goal is to increase awareness regarding some of the obstacles and challenges faced by humanity and how we might respond as Christians. The next meeting is on Tuesday, December 15, at 5:30 pm in the Green Room. The title of the book for December is "Black Like Me" by John Howard Griffin. Please read the book in advance and come ready to discuss the book on December 15. Women are invited and encouraged to join this group for conversation and fellowship. We will wear facemasks and practice social distancing. Contact Rebecca Cooper at 843-368-6720 or Beth Haverfield at 404-395-7023 for additional information regarding this study and discussion group.

Upcoming Schedule:

Tuesday, December 15: "Black Like Me" by John Howard Griffin

A Word Fitly Spoken!

Sunday School News Update

Some of our Adult Sunday School Classes continue to meet online for conversation, prayer, and Bible study each week. If you don't attend a Sunday School Class or are interested in joining an online group until your class returns to in-person meetings, please contact Jeff Pethel.

Adult Sunday School Teachers and Classes interested in meeting online for Sunday School are encouraged to contact Jeff Pethel for details and available meeting times. We look forward to the time when we can safely gather in-person on Sunday mornings for Sunday School each week.

Upcoming Opportunities

Wednesday Night Discipleship for Children, Youth, and Adults will meet from 6:00 until 7:00 pm on December 2, 9, and 16.

Sunday, December 6 – Worship at 9:00 and 11:00 am.

Sunday, December 13 – Covenant Choir Cantata during morning Worship Services.

Monday, December 14 – Quiet Days & Nights of Advent from 9:30 to 11:30 am and 5:00 until 7:00 pm. (2nd floor of Building B).

Tuesday, December 15 - Quiet Days & Nights of Advent from 9:30 to 11:30 am and 5:00 until 7:00 pm. (2nd floor of Building B).

Sunday, December 20 – Worship at 9:00 and 11:00 am.

Monday, December 21 – Longest Night Service at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

Thursday, December 24 – Christmas Eve Worship at 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm.

Prayer Requests

Please let us know how to pray for you during this season. If you want your request (name only) included on the public BCOB Prayer List, then please state in the email to add the name (with permission) to the public Prayer List.

Please email prayer concerns to pray@bcob.org.



December Birthday List

December 1st Gayle Morris, Samuel Kirkland, Ryan Smith
December 3rd Janet O'Hara
December 4th Shauna Bishop
December 5th Lisa Weslake
December 6th Dan Rich
December 7th Ed Duryea, Bradley Moody, Joshua Moody
December 9th Susan Rodrigue
December 10th Brenda Rucker
December 11th Paula Johnson
December 12th Kyle Myers, Henry Manley, Max Duryea
December 13th Jackie Griffing
December 14th Pam Hagan, Julia Pryor
December 15th Roger Capps, Janet Hull, Les Stokes, Carter Kolb
December 16th Linda Fulton
December 17th Charles Berry, Pat Rodrigue
December 18th Edna Anderson, Janet Andrews
December 19th Peggy Infinger, Caitlin Boltin
December 20th Miriam Thames, Cooky DeLoach
December 21st Drema Brantley, Julianna Lane
December 23rd James Click, Greg Sauls, Heather Sweet, Andrew Deer
December 31st Harrison Moore

POINSETTIA GIFTS 2020

GIVEN BY:

Tony & Tricia Bush
Tony & Tricia Bush
Michael Bonyne
Wallace & Susan Thomas
Wallace & Susan Thomas
Wallace & Susan Thomas
Jackie & John Dansby
Jeff Riley
Riley
Jeff Riley
Mary Smith
Mary Smith
Mary Smith
Robert DeLoach
Robert DeLoach
Robert DeLoach
Royce Chavis
Darrell Chavis
Jan Torrey
Sharon Pope
Myra & Ron Reichert
Gail Teem
Roger & Janice Capps
Roger & Janice Capps
Wayne & Gretchen Bretsch
Wayne & Gretchen Bretsch
Judy Copeland
Judy Copeland
Susan Dickey
Annette Petit
BJ & Lenair Woods
BJ & Lenair Woods
Drema Brantley
Kay & Ken Bodine
Kay & Ken Bodine
Jean Redfearn
Tommy & Ann Collins
Tommy & Ann Collins
Rita Bell
Lillian Spears
Janice & Alex Wilkins
Janice & Alex Wilkins
Peggy & Paul Infinger
Peggy & Paul Infinger
Lefton Graves

IN MEMORY OF:

Mr. & Mrs. Walter Lubkin
Dorothy Baldwin
Virginia Bonyne
Jimmy & Clifton Thomas
Ruth & Charles Meldram
Marcia Mitchel
Eldis Perry
Mr. & Mrs. W. Jefferson

Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Sullivan
Randy Smith
Randy Smith
Randy Smith
Virginia (Ginny) Z. DeLoach
Charles DeLoach
Ryan DeLoach
Doris Chavis
Doris Chavis
Doris Chavis
James (Jim) Pope, Sr.
James P. Reichert
Edwin F. Nolley
Thomas & Hattie Bell
Leon & Annie Belle Capps
Don & Jeane Bare
Ross & Sally Bretsch
Cecil & Lynette Reames
Curt Copeland
Robert Dickey
Ron Petit
Mr. & Mrs. E.E. Woods
Mr. & Mrs. Dramha Saleeby
Glenn W. Brantley, Sr.
Charles & Mattie Mathis
Harry & Carolyn Bodine
Charles W. Redfearn
Gladys Miller
Agnes Collins
Orren Bell
Gene Spears
Walter G. Wilkins
Annie, Laura, & Dewey Fain
Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Infinger
Mr. & Mrs. D. B. McMillan
Cheryl Graves

GIVEN BY:

Lefton Graves
Lefton Graves
Gayle Morris
Susan McKessey
Ann Knight Berry
Bill Flowers
Beth Haverfield
Pam & Elliott Hagan
Caitlyn Reid
Caitlyn Reid
Marilee Morris
Chuck & Carmella Yahres
Chuck & Carmella Yahres
Burton Sauls
Burton Sauls
Their Children & Grandchildren
Her Family
Nan & Mike Sutton
Louise & Jim Smithwick
Dorothy Kinghorn Huggins
Dorothy Kinghorn Huggins

GIVEN BY:
Wallace & Susan Thomas
Wallace & Susan Thomas
Jackie & John Dansby
Jim & DJ Wilson
Norm & Dollie Morrall
Ginny Hardee
Ginny Hardee
Linda & Lowell Keene
Linda & Lowell Keene
Linda & Lowell Keene
Linda & Lowell Keene
Janice & Alex Wilkins
Janice & Alex Wilkins
Janice & Alex Wilkins
Cindy Duryea
Cindy Duryea
Lefton Graves
Bertha Graves
Susan McKessey
Carol Myers

IN MEMORY OF:

Dorothy Graves
Harold Graves
Annie Laurie Mixson
Bill Angevine
Fred & Rubilee Knight
Mary & Billy Flowers
Nona McGuffey
Mrs. Lois Norman
Roy & Shirley Campbell
David Jones
Donald Morris
Mr. & Mrs. Nick Cortese
Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Yahres
Alice Sauls
Tommie Sauls
Ned & Trannie Brown
Cindy Brown Tucker
JB & Annie Kinghorn
Julia & Mills Kinghorn
Paul Huggins
Julia & Mills Kinghorn

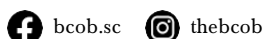
IN HONOR OF:

Church Staff
Agape Sunday School Teachers
Mrs. Lou Reather Beasley
Walter & Linda Dodson
Our Family
Teddy Schultz
Members of the Friendship Sunday School Class
Marie Ashley
Judy Copeland – Agape SS Teacher
Pat Patterson – Agape SS Teacher
Andy Kinghorn – Agape SS Teacher
David Dugger – Agape SS Teacher
Ed & Cindy Duryea
Davis & Paige Wilkins
Brandon, Holli, and Luke Wilkins
Stephen Ministry Team
Bereavement Team
Bertha Graves
LaRose Smith
Grady & Miriam Thames
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If you or another family member is in or going to the hospital then please let us know in the church office by calling 843-524-3197. You can also share this information with the "Minister on Call" for the week. The name and phone number for the "Minister on Call" is published in the weekly edition of "The Happening" newsletter each week. Thank you for sharing this information with the church staff.