

THE WINDOW

The Baptist Church of Beaufort Monthly Newsletter

Growing Young

Recently, the Young Adult Sunday School Class participated in a Growing Young listening session. Conversations were plentiful, energetic, and enthusiastic. When asked the question, “What do you love about The Baptist Church of Beaufort?” their responses included:

- I love the traditional yet progressive atmosphere. I like the organ.
- This church is inclusive. I feel very comfortable. I enjoy getting to make use of my talents.
- I can walk into a Sunday School class without judgment. This church is genuinely welcoming and they know my name.
- Older faithful people who are encouraging. I want several of them to mentor me.
- This church has evolved in good ways over the years. The church has withstood the test of times. As people we are very different but our unity is God’s will. I enjoy coming to BCOB to be surrounded by the people.
- Traditions drew us here rather than where our friends attend at a non-denominational church. This is a place to grow where we worship in a comfortable way.
- People here agree to disagree AND keep their Christian values.
- Friendly, kind, laughter. We especially enjoyed the combination of the Young Adult Class and the Beacon Class for several weeks during Covid times. Genuine hospitality shared.
- We’ve attended mega churches in the past. Our first service at BCOB was at Christmas. We looked around and felt everyone was older; nevertheless, our hearts have been taken back to a simpler environment. We need the wisdom of this older population.
- Relationships of all ages are important to me at BCOB because my family lives away.

When asked, “**Who are some adults at BCOB who mean a lot to you?**” the young adults responded:

Mike McNally, Betsy Kinghorn, Grady Thames, Millie Boyce, Ed and Cindy Duryea, Mary Rich, Roger and Janice Capps, Tony and Tricia Bush, Steve Andrews, Gruels, Henry and Peggy Jackson, Sara Grisham, Pethels, Doug Maxey, Jeannie Ihley, Jim Wooten, Melanie Williams, former GA/RA leaders, former Sunday School teachers. The common thread for the above named individuals was supportive, helpful, loving, servant hearts, humor with genuine meaning, sharing gifts of music, displays of hospitality. One individual said, “I want to become a pillar like these “always present” people as they meant so much to my faith walk!”

A Request from Jeff Pethel

Please help! The much-deserved retirements of several long-tenured staff members and navigating the challenges of the pandemic have made life “interesting” over the past couple of years. We have a good church staff, and I am excited about what God will do at BCOB in the coming season, and yet we lost a great deal of institutional knowledge over the past few years. Losing some “institutional knowledge” isn’t nearly as troubling to me as losing track of people. We don’t want anyone at BCOB to feel like they are not loved and valued. As my role and responsibilities at BCOB continue to evolve, I am especially concerned about older adults who might appreciate a phone call or visit. Please don’t assume that someone on the church staff knows you. Would you please help by contacting me if you think I may not know you? Please get in touch with me if you feel disconnected from the faith community. I would love to talk by phone or visit with you.

The office number is 843-524-3197, and my cell number is 843-592-8319. I look forward to hearing from you!



Baskets of Blessings



In this season of Thanksgiving, the Preschool and Children's Ministry will be helping to provide a Thanksgiving meal for twenty-six families who would not have a Thanksgiving without our "Baskets of Blessings." This will be our mission project for November. The Preschool and Children's Committees ask you to help provide the following items to fill our "Baskets of Blessings." If you can send one of each item, that would be a blessing, or bring as many items as possible. We will be collecting items until Friday, November 19. You may drop off your contributions in the "Baskets of Blessings" bins located around the church campus. Contact Ms. Kelly if you have questions or need additional information. Thank You!

Items needed: Stuffing Mix (Bagged or Boxed), Large Box of Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Green Beans (Large Can), Canned Yams or Sweet Potatoes (Large Can), Small Bag of Marshmallows, Gravy, Canned Cranberry Sauce, Boxed Yellow Cake Mix, Canned Pie Filling (Cherry, Apple, Peach, etc.)

BCOB Youth

On Sunday, November 21, BCOB Youth and Families should stop by the sanctuary steps immediately after worship at 12:00 noon and pick up the Gratitude Scavenger Hunt Guide. This guide will lead youth families on a walk around downtown Beaufort. When the Scavenger Hunt is completed, youth and families will be reminded of all the things they have for which to be thankful. Youth will also receive a prize for completing the hunt. This will be a great opportunity for teens and their families to refocus on all they have to be thankful for. We will give prizes and discuss the Gratitude Hunt at the Youth Gathering on Sunday night, November 21, at 6:00 pm.

Advent Palooza is Sunday, November 28, at 6:00 pm in the Youth Room. BCOB Youth will make Advent decorations, receive devotionals, and play games to kickoff the Christmas season. Plan to join us and bring a friend!!

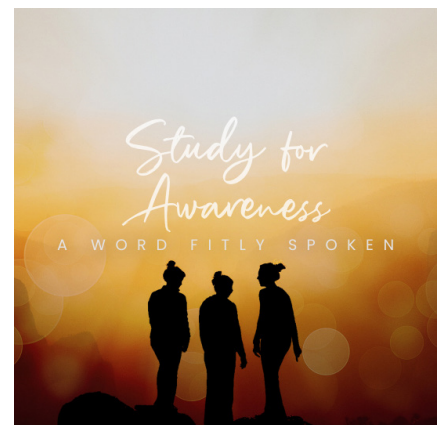


Order Poinsettias for Christmas

Beautiful live poinsettias have always had a place in adorning the Sanctuary during the Advent and Christmas Season. This year, you are invited to purchase plants, \$10.00 each, in honor or memory of either a loved one or a couple. Payment is needed at the time of order. Make your orders through the church office, 843-524-3197, or under the tent on Sundays. **The deadline for ordering and payment is Wednesday, November 24, by 12:00 noon.**

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, November 16, at 5:30 pm in the Green Room. The title of the book for November is "Out of the Shadows" by Patrick Carnes. Please read the book in advance and come ready to discuss the book on November 16. 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.



Thank You, From the Church Staff

The church staff is grateful for the tangible ways the church family showed love during October's Clergy Appreciation month. We are thankful for all the notes, cards, snacks, cookies, and other forms of affirmation you expressed to us. Thank you for your many acts of kindness. We are blessed to serve BCOB with you.

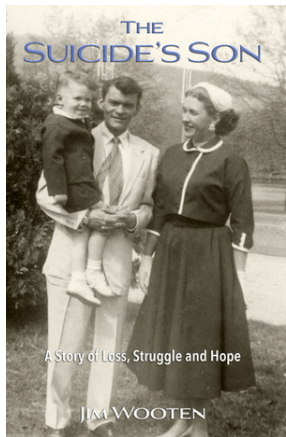
Hanging of the Green Service Help

On November 28 during Sunday morning worship, we will decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas! We need volunteers to hang decorations and/or read the significance of each item. If you would like to participate in the Hanging of the Green, please contact Allison in the office (843-524-3197), email asherwood@bcob.org or sign up at the tent!

Holiday Toy Drive for HELP

HELP of Beaufort is sponsoring a Holiday Toy Drive this year to assist families during the Christmas season. We are collecting new, unwrapped toys for area children ages birth to 16 years old. "Toy List Gift Guides" are available in the church office and at the tent on Sunday mornings. The deadline for returning gifts to the church office is Thursday, December 2.

Exciting News Regarding our Pastor Emeritus



Dr. Jim Wooten, Pastor Emeritus at BCOB, has written a book titled "The Suicide's Son - A Story of Loss, Struggle, and Hope." On Saturday, December 4, from 1:00 until 3:00 pm, BCOB will host a book signing with Jim in the Green Room (Building A). Books will be available for purchase for \$13.00 each.

September Financial Generosity Update

YTD Expenses:	\$747,569.64
YTD Receipts:	\$703,865.41
YTD Budget:	\$802,145.70



November Birthday List

November 1st - Marie Ashley, Amy Squires
November 3rd - Mike Foy, Jack Rhodes
November 4th - Rod Collins, Debbie Pethel, Charles Squires, Linda Chappell
November 5th - Fred Horton, Carol Hill
November 6th - Carl Hendricks, Grace Harris
November 7th - John Boltin
November 9th - Bill Griffis, Mabrey Kolb
November 11th - Elliott Hagan, Ryan Copeland
November 13th - Charlotte Kay, John Dansby, Katrina Sellars, Janet Thames
November 14th - Annette Petit, Cathy Ragsdale, Nanette Brown Sutton
November 15th - Charlene Cusano
November 16th - Leanard Stokes
November 18th - Jeanie Walker, Oliver Townsend
November 19th - Barbara Winn, Tom Perkins
November 20th - Jeff Riley
November 21st - Millie Boyce
November 24th - Edward Carr
November 25th - Larry Hill, Steve Andrews
November 26th - Wayne Bretsch, Bill Deer
November 30th - Skip Howard, Mary Beth Kirkland, Anna Moore

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.

Church Budget Information

Copies of the proposed church budget for 2022 are available for pick up in the church office or at the tent on Sunday. There will be a Budget Discussion in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, November 10, at 6:00 pm (following the time of prayer). The church will vote on the proposed budget in a business meeting on Sunday morning, December 5.

Save the Dates

- Sunday, November 28 – Hanging of the Green Service during morning Worship Service
- Sunday, December 12 – Covenant Choir presents “Everlasting Light: The Promise of Christmas” during the morning Worship Service.
- Tuesday, December 21 – Longest Night Service at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary.
- Friday, December 24 – Christmas Eve Worship at 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm.

Welcome New Members!



Mark and Robin Fogg



Linda Chappell

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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.