# May Memorial Baptist Church

Newsletter 10-26-20

Reaching...Teaching...Touching ...in the Heart of Powhatan 3922 Old Buckingham Road

In the heart of the Courthouse Village (804) 598-3098



Please join us for Worship at 11:00 a.m. this Sunday, November 1, 2020 in the Sanctuary. We will be celebrating All Saint's Sunday!

Extended Session for children will be at 11:00 a.m. by our Youth House! (weather permitting)

### "C'mon Kelsey, You' Got This!"

I have spent more time than I can count sitting by softball fields this Fall. We have loved getting involved with PYAA "Ponytails" and seeing Laura practice and play. This is the final week of the Fall Season, and this past Saturday we spent all day at the field as Laura's team played in the "Halloween Tournament." Our first game on Saturday morning was against Amelia, but it wasn't our first time playing them this season. Beverley and I looked forward to the Saturday morning game against Amelia, but not for any reasons you may suspect. (continued page 2)





### **Small Mission Projects**

This week and next week Oct. 26 to Nov. 8, we will concentrate on the Thanksgiving Complete Meal for the food pantry. Complete Details are inside.





Many boxes full of old towels are dropped off at the Powhatan Animal Shelter.

From the Pastor's Desk

(continued from page 1) Amelia's second baseman (basewoman?) is a girl who is much smaller than many of the other players. She has a long ponytail, and her glove is nearly as large as she is. We don't know this girl, but when her team plays, she is a non-stop encouragement machine. During our last game against Amelia their pitcher really struggled with accuracy (this is not uncommon in Ponytails fast-pitch softball). She simply couldn't throw a strike. But this little second baseman, her confidence in the pitcher never seemed to be diminished. "C'mon Kelsey, You' Got This!" she would shout, over and over again. Kelsey had walked the last four batters, pitching balls above the batter's head and behind the batter's back, but the second baseman kept at it. "C'mon Kelsey, You' Got This! STRIKE HER OUT!" I don't know if Kelsey struck anyone out that entire game, but that second baseman was going to encourage her regardless of the circumstances.

#### **Encouragement** is important.

Yesterday I spent the afternoon reading the many cards and notes I was given during worship yesterday morning. And as I read all of those expressions of love, support, and kindness, I felt many things. I felt deep joy, joy to be your pastor and to share life together. I felt gratitude, because I am blessed to be the pastor of the May Memorial family. I felt nostalgia, as many of you wrote about encounters or visits or memories that we have shared. I felt love, because the love that I have for you is great. I felt many emotions yesterday afternoon, but most of all I felt encouraged. I felt like, once again, that "I can do this," and yes, with God's help, "we've got this." And we do.

So I say thank you for encouraging me. I was blessed by your notes, and honestly, I needed it. Thank you.

This coming Sunday is All Saints Day, the day we remember the saints of our church family (and all saints) who have gone before us. On All Saints Day we frequently read from the book of Hebrews in which the preacher tells us that "we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, so run the race that is set before us, laying aside all of the things that so easily beset us." The writer is saying, be encouraged, all of heaven is rooting for you. Our ancestors, our saints, they're cheering for us, encouraging us, even in this difficult time, to keep on keeping on. Don't give up, whatever your facing. No matter how tough the race, you have a cheering section that is reminding you that "c'mon, you' got this."

### Join Us for Sunday School on Zoom

Mr. Bob Kruschwitz will be leading us this Sunday at 9:15 am via Zoom and we will continue our discussion of the Gospel according to Mark.



Mark is by far the shortest Gospel, and likely the first one Christians knew. What should we make of it? It begins and ends rather abruptly; it repeats (similar) stories and jams other stories together; its language is ordinary and rough, not elevated; its herky-jerky story-telling style can be off-putting; it is full of mystery. We'll study this amazing book a few chapters at a time, the way early Christians probably read it. The discussion will lead us through the end of Pentecost. Come join us every Sunday at 9:15 am on Zoom as we fellowship and grow as Christians.



## **Connecting to Each Other...Fellowship**



### Kingdom Kids Zoom Meeting

Every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. we meet online for our Kingdom Kids program and fun!

To join with any phone: Call (312) 626-6799 Enter the meeting code: 277 032 1474

Bible Study on Zoom - Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

To join with any phone: Call (312) 626-6799

Enter this code: 286 978 612



## Connecting to the World...Missions



Copies are also available in the Commons Area.

Small Mission Projects through November

This week and next week Oct. 26 to Nov. 8, we will concentrate on the Thanksgiving Complete Meal for the food pantry.

BAG ITEMS BELOW: Please Double Bag.

1 – 40 OZ. CAN OF YAMS OR SWEET POTATOES

1 – 13 OZ. BOX OF MASHED POTATOES

1 – 16 OZ. CAN OF CRANBERRY SAUCE

2 - 15 OZ. CANS OF CORN

2 – 15 OZ. CANS OF GREEN VEGETABLES

1-10 OZ. CAN OF GRAVY

2 – 6 OZ. PKGS. OF STUFFING MIX

1 - BOX OF HOT CHOCOLATE

1 - SMALL BOX OR JAR OF ICE TEA/BAGS

1 – COMPLETE FAMILY DESSERT ITEM

Donations of a \$10.00 Food Lion Gift Cards would also be appreciated. Please add one to your bag, if possible. Clients will be able to purchase meat or other necessary items for their meal.

Point of collection and distribution is at Powhatan Food Pantry located at 2500 Batterson Road on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 to 12:00 noon. We are now accepting donations throughout November. If you are not able to fill a Complete Thanksgiving Meal bag, any partial or monetary donations are always welcome. Checks may be made out to: Powhatan Food Pantry and sent to the treasurer, Theresa Fields at 1520 Swiftwood Drive, Powhatan, Va 23139

Starting on November 9 through Nov. 22 the WMU Rachael Circle is sponsoring a

**Baby Shower Collection** 



They will be collecting new baby items for the Richmond Pregnancy Resource Center. The center helps those facing an unplanned pregnancy, who are feeling a lot of emotions: confused, overwhelmed, scared. They are there for support and to talk through client's questions and options, and it's all free. They do not perform or refer for abortions. Also, they provide connections to parenting classes and baby care items, including diapers, wipes, and clothing A complete list of baby items, like baby lotion and baby winter outerwear is available by our link below, or a flyer is in the Commons Area. All items donated must be new.

### **Prayer List 10/26/20**

#### CHURCH FAMILY:

Barbara Barden

Susie Brock

Joann Cole

Bob Cosby

Bob Cox

Snead DeNoon

Lee Duncan

Nick Elam

Ester Fitch and Family

Bea Gallier

Rick Gallier

Bill Ketron

Bernice Koelzer

Paul Lindsey

Fran O'Donnell

Jim Pinkley

Shirley Stephens

David&Susan

Terry

Frances Tilman

Harry Wheeler

Nancy Wilkinson

Earl Worsham

Janice Worsham

#### MILITARY:

Danny Myers, Brent Templeton, Quint Sutton, David Brizendine, Jeremiah Clift, Nelson Sutton, Justin Donnavon, Austin, Breeden, Caleb Hammer, Kris Curtis, Adam and Hunter Mitchell

#### FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Estelle Davis, Debbie Elam's mother

Lacie Baggett

Libby Gregg, daughter-in-law of Carol Gregg

Stuart Yeorge

Ben Spoon, Juli Spoon's son-in-law

Matthew Berger, friend of Joy & Juston Sanudo

Clyde Martin, brother of Esther Fitch

Jeff Crews, Susie Brock's brother-in-law

Sheri Sadie, Nancy Flower's Daughter

Sharon Baltimore, friend of the Bradbury's

Bill Casper, Bill Karnolt's brother-in-law

Justin Yancey, Grandson of Irma Alvis

Stephanie Hay, Karen and Ray's daughter-in-law

Janie Dean

Phyllis Lester, Ed Utt's sister

Shawn Neugent, friend of the Sheltons

Lennox Family

Helen Fitzgerald, friend of Diana and B.J. Smith

Chloe, granddaughter of Amy&Bill Karnolt

Nurses, Erin and Melissa, relatives of the Karnolt's

Logan Cook, grandson of Wilford and Linda Poore.

Pam Polk Mottley, Ed Mottley's sister

Randy Kope, grandson of Les and Dianne Miller

Brian Sullivan, nephew of Mike and Bernice Koelzer

Mary, Annie Sparrow's Aunt

Matt Bennett

Mary Ann David, Debbie Elam's sister-in-law

Teresa Fields

Lisa Davis, Glady's Rabon's daughter

Brenden McMullan, the Cox's grandson

Patricia Vermillion, Jon Flower's sister

Emily, Gene & Sandy Parker's daughter

Chuck Karnolt

Kathy Kuhn, friend of Vicki and Bob Kruschwitz

Brian McMullan, the Cox's son

Davin Ericson (liver transplant from Brian McMullan)

Stephanie Prentice, Nancy Flower's granddaughter

Stuart Howard and Bre

#### HOMEBOUND PRAYER AND CONTACT LIST:

Janice Worsham, Westport Rehab. Center., 7300 Forest Ave, Room 213, Richmond 23226

Frances Tilman, 3904 Old Buckingham Rd

Audrey Johnston, 3901 S. Fairway Drive, Powhatan, VA 23139

Audrey Mann, The Laurels of Willow Oaks, 11611 Robious Road, Midlothian, 23113

Jim Pinkley, Currently with Billy and Marlis Kruschwitz

Jean Hall, 1748 Old Powhatan Estates

## Thank you

Thank you for thinking of us in this difficult time. The snacks and waters were so greatly appreciated! With love,

~ Powhatan Middle School Staff

## October and November Birthdays



Oct 27- Bill Boelt

27 - Becky Thomas

31- Amy Karnolt

31 - Gary Cowles

Nov 1 - Jim Spain

2- Jesse Green

2 - Carol Vidra

4 - Hannah Crump

4 - Rebekah Crump

5 - Charlie Allen

### **Financial Information**

#### Our Gifts to our Lord

Week of October 25, 2020

Regular Offering \$ 5,745.00 Building Fund 240.00 Scholarships 25.00 \*Special Offering 230.00

\*(\$200 lighting fixtures, \$30 other)

Total \$6,240.00