

Oakland



BAPTIST CHURCH

# THE ACORN

## March 2020

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Dear Church Family,

We are seeing God's blessings and much happening all around us, in individual lives and in our church as a whole. As I look at the activities and involvements right now in the life of the church, one word which comes to mind for me is *preparation*. We are already preparing for Vacation Bible School, June 15-19. A good group of persons interested in serving in VBS, met Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, and 14 of us will participate March 7<sup>th</sup> in a VBS workshop. And then, as always, much preparation is going into the spring Consignment ministry taking place in March. And the youth and youth committee are preparing for the one-day youth retreat on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Of course the choir is preparing the Easter cantata. And speaking of Easter, we will each one want to prepare ourselves personally for Easter, as we journey through the 7 words of Jesus from the cross in the morning worship services the next several weeks.

We need to be preparing first and foremost all of these ministry and personal opportunities in prayer. And we need to be preparing our own hearts to participate and lead out in ways which honor the Lord, and seek His glory. In that regard, I am reminded of an ancient fable, which tells of a frog and a goose who became good friends. They sang duets together and helped each other find food. Over time, there developed a solid bond, and a deep respect and affection for one another. As Autumn approached, it was time for the goose to fly south. The goose told the frog he would like to take the frog with him, but didn't know how to accomplish that. The frog suggested tying a string to the foot of the goose and he, the frog, would put the other end of the string in his mouth.

This they did, as they flew off on their journey together. All went well until a farmer looked up and saw the strange sight, a goose flying over his field, with a frog swinging in the breeze below the goose, on a string attached to the foot of the goose and held at the other end in the frog's mouth. The farmer called out, "What a great plan . . . I wonder whose idea it was?" The frog, bursting with pride of his accomplishment, could not resist taking the credit. Opening his mouth . . . the frog said, "It was my idea"- and down he crashed!

It has been said that "The world has yet to see what can be accomplished, when one doesn't care who gets the credit." The apostle Paul wrote, "For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned" (Romans 12:3).

In everything we do as believers and as a church, may we be careful to give God the credit for all He graciously chooses to do in and through us, to His glory and His praise.

Pastor Dennis

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Don't forget to move your clocks forward on Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Daylight Savings Time begins on March 9<sup>th</sup> at 2 a.m.



Buildings & Grounds  
Outside Work Day  
Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>  
Start at 8 a.m.

Questions? See Bill Groome.

## REFERENCE INFORMATION

Do you want to put something in the bulletin or newsletter? Do you want to put something on our Website or in the Goshen News? If so, please submit the information as you want it to appear in the bulletin, newsletter or website, by the deadlines listed below to: [communication@oakland-baptist.com](mailto:communication@oakland-baptist.com) email. For those of you without email access, please call or submit your written request to Sharon Kincaid.

### Deadlines:

**Bulletin** - 12 noon of each Wednesday

**Newsletter** - 15th of each month

**Website** - 12 noon of each Thursday

**Goshen Newsletter** - 15th of each month

**Have you moved???** **Has your name changed?** **Do you have an update to a birthday or anniversary in your family?** **If you answered YES to any of these questions...** Please notify any member of the Deacon Fellowship with any changes to your personal information or log into Church Trac and update your information.

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## *Happy Birthday!*

William Hees	3/1
Robert Grooms	3/5
Eddie Bradshaw	3/7
Brandon Klaty	3/8
Paula Archer	3/9
Vicky Kellison	3/9
Dan Summitt	3/9
Kathy Wade	3/9
David Atwood	3/10
Michaela Kandrotas	3/12
Brenda Snead	3/14
Rhonda Lloyd	3/15
Becky Edwards	3/17
Noel Brooking	3/18
Elizabeth LaSauvage	3/22
Sammy Bradshaw	3/24
Angie Wright	3/24
Laura Beth Holder	3/25
Louise Parrish	3/25
Nancy Franklin	3/26
Thasha Luck	3/26
Jerri Sherrill	3/27
Amber Bowmaster	3/28
Mandy Durham	3/29
Janet Jones	3/30
Breianne Hafley	3/31
Deborah Ware	3/31

## *Happy Anniversary!*

Deborah & David Ware	3/16
Kim & Bubba Rosson	3/25
Wendi & Jeff Cooper	3/27
Amanda & Austin Cooper	3/31

## *Youth News...*

Our annual "Souper Bowl" luncheon fundraiser was a huge success! We cannot thank you enough for your generous support of our youth. Congratulations to Jenny Smith with the winning soup. Bill Groome also won for best dessert, even bringing his own trophy!

The Spring Consignment sale is coming up soon. The youth committee has met and decided we will have a bake sale, but we will not be running the concession area like we have in years past. Please bring baked goods in on either Tuesday March 17 or Thursday March 19.

The committee knows how much the workers appreciate having food available. We have decided to fix hamburgers and hot dogs for the workers only on Tuesday March 17 and Thursday March 19. We will have a sign up sheet available the week prior so workers can let us know what you'd like. If you have any questions, please see Shelby.

Our Youth Spring Retreat at Westview on the James is coming up on May 2. The cost is \$25 and there is a permission slip/form that needs to be signed and returned to Shelby as soon as possible. The theme is "Live Different" based on Galatians 5. The schedule is still being developed but there will be time for fishing and other fun activities! We plan to depart from church at 9:30 am and return around 8:30 pm.

MC2 Camp deposit and permission forms are due by March 22.

VBS and Kingfest are coming up in June! Be on the lookout for more information on those events next month!

Blessings,  
Shelby

### *Goochland Cares - Clothes Closet Ministry*

Team # 1 (Becky's Team) will serve on the 2nd Sunday of each month  
Team #2 (Ann's Team) will serve on the 4th Sunday of each month.  
If you would like to join one of our two teams, please contact Ron Taylor at [taylorre@comcast.net](mailto:taylorre@comcast.net)

## Mission Opportunities, Notes & Announcements

Week of Prayer for North American Missions and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is March 1 - 8, 2020. Prayer guides and offering envelopes are available in the Sunday school rooms and church vestibule. Our goal is \$1,500. Prayerfully give.

Our Women on Missions Group meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday immediately after church. We bring a bag lunch or share a meal. Join us as we learn how we can pray for our missionaries who serve internationally and locally, how we can be the hands and feet of Jesus, and more!

Our Ladies' Tea is scheduled for Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Marti Williams will be our guest speaker and share about the ministry she and her husband lead called "Into the Neighborhood" ([www.IntotheNeighborhood.com](http://www.IntotheNeighborhood.com)). This ministry is about loving God and loving your neighbor. It's about living missionally, incarnationally, on mission. It's about Christian Community Development. It's how we do it. How others do it. And how you can do it. We are dedicated to mobilizing and equipping people to live out God's mission for their lives to reclaim, restore and rebuild the landscape of their community. The ministry includes Miss Marti's House, a ministry to Southern Barton Heights in the Northside of Richmond; Hope Works!, a ministry to the Richmond City Justice Center; and Mardi Bras RVA, a ministry to women in need. We hope you will join us! More information to follow.

Children's Consignment Sale Ministry - The dates have been set for the Spring Sale and the site is now open to log in your items. New consignors are welcome to join. We accept gently used clothing for infants to children size 20, baby equipment, bedding, toys, movies, games, outdoor play equipment, strollers, bouncers, accessories and much more! Go to our website [www.Oakland-Baptist.com](http://www.Oakland-Baptist.com) and click on the Consignment Ministry Link to get more information on how to consign. Volunteers needed before, during, and after the sale. Mark your calendars!

- March 13 - 6:30 to 8:30 pm - Consignor Drop-off
- March 14 - 9:00 to 10:00 am - Consignor Drop-off
- March 17 - 6:30 to 8:30 pm - Consignors Shop
- March 19 - 6:30 to 8:30 pm - Public Sale
- March 20 - 6:30 to 8:30 pm - Public Sale
- March 21 & 28 - 9:00 am - Noon - ½ Price Public Sale (all items marked discount will sell at ½ price)

### WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS – March 2020

Date	Deacon	Greeter	Kid's Korner	Extended Session – Babies to 2 years	Extended Session – 3 years to 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade
01	Ron Taylor	Hilda Harper	Sharon Kincaid	Denise Brooking	Cheryl Driver
08	Frank Smith	Kathy Groome	Bill Groome	Denise Brooking	Virginia Beach Cook & Linda Shettle
15	Tom Sutterfield	Betty Dunivan	Kathy Wade	Denise Brooking	Sandy Harper
22	Bill Groome	Hazel Morgan	Shelby Jones	Denise Brooking	Wendi Cooper
29	Ann Taylor	Wanda Miller	Kim Rosson	Denise Brooking	Kim Rosson

# MARCH

<p><u>1</u> 9:45am – Sunday School 11am – Worship</p>	<p><u>2</u></p>	<p><u>3</u></p>	<p><u>4</u> 6 pm – Fellowship Meal 7 pm – Bible Study, Youth &amp; CIAs</p>	<p><u>5</u> 7 pm – Choir Practice</p>	<p><u>6</u></p>	<p><u>7</u></p>
<p><u>8</u> 9:45 am – Sunday School 11 am – Worship 1:30 pm – Goochland Cares Team #1</p>	<p><u>9</u></p>	<p><u>10</u> 8 am – Buildings &amp; Grounds Outside Work Day</p>	<p><u>11</u> 6 pm – Fellowship Meal 7 pm – Bible Study, Youth &amp; CIAs</p>	<p><u>12</u> 7 pm – Choir Practice</p>	<p><u>13</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Consignor Drop Off</p>	<p><u>14</u> 9 – 10 am Consignor Drop Off 10 am – 12 pm Ladies' Crochet Class</p>
<p><u>15</u> 9:45 am – Sunday School 11 am – Worship 12:30 pm – Deacon's &amp; WOM Meeting</p>	<p><u>16</u></p>	<p><u>17</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Consignor Shops</p>	<p><u>18</u> 6 pm – Fellowship Meal 7 pm – Bible Study, Youth &amp; CIAs 8pm – Choir Practice</p>	<p><u>19</u> 10 am – Seniors Meeting @ Holly Grove Christian 6:30 – 8:30 pm Public Sale</p>	<p><u>20</u> 6:30 – 8:30 pm Public Sale</p>	<p><u>21</u> 9 am – 12 pm ½ Price Sale</p>
<p><u>22</u> 9:45 am – Sunday School 11 am – Worship 1:30 pm – Goochland Cares Team #2</p>	<p><u>23</u></p>	<p><u>24</u></p>	<p><u>25</u> 6 pm – Fellowship Meal 7 pm – Bible Study, Youth &amp; CIAs</p>	<p><u>26</u> 7pm – Choir Practice</p>	<p><u>27</u></p>	<p><u>28</u> 9 am – 12 pm ½ Price Sale</p>
<p><u>29</u> 8 am – Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:45 am – Sunday School 11 am – Worship</p>	<p><u>30</u></p>	<p><u>31</u></p>				

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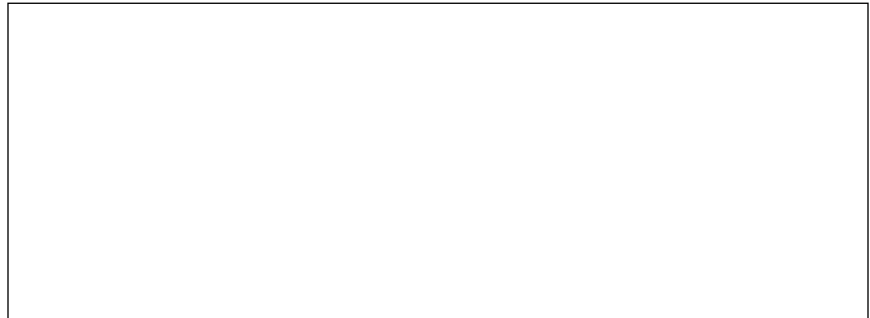
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## Remembered in our hearts & prayers:

Donnie Amick  
Len & Paula Archer  
Joe Beach  
Virginia Beach-Cook  
Mike Beyer  
Dick Butler  
Roberzon Colchin  
Frank Collins  
Joice Collins  
Lucy Cook  
Ronnie Cook  
Kaitlyn Daniels  
Margie Gonzalez  
April Grant  
Bailey Grant-Dickerson  
Stewart Hicks  
Dean & Vicki Kellison  
Sharon Kincaid  
Bryan McCallister  
Dale Nester  
Marie Nester

Louise Parrish  
Sandy Pattison  
Callahan Phillips  
Nolan Phillips  
Mabel & Gerald Pleasants  
Jason Pope  
Wayne Proffitt  
Matthew Richardson  
Riley Saunders  
Betty Smith  
Nita Snead  
Betty & Loren Stanley  
Susan Wachter  
Alma Walton  
Cecil Watson  
Anne Wells  
Shawn Williams  
Pastor Dennis Barton  
Our Nation, Our Church & Community

## Remembered in Our Thoughts & Prayers the Family of:

Our Nursing Home Members; see "Keep in Touch" section.

### Remember our Servicemen & Their Families:

Tennis Bradshaw, Stateside  
Gabe Edwards, Stateside

The prayer concern is completely revised monthly through mentioned prayer concerns, website submissions, email ([communication@oakland-baptist.com](mailto:communication@oakland-baptist.com)) or by contacting Sharon Kincaid by the 15th of each month.