# FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

## **Sundays at Kilmarnock Baptist Church**

Worship - 9:00 Prayer - 9:00 Sunday School - 9:45 Worship - 11:00 (Nursery Available)

# Wednesday Evenings at Kilmarnock Baptist Church

WOW (Worship on Wednesdays) - 6:00 Fellowship Supper - 6:30 (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays are pot luck)

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The Rev. Matthew A. Tennant, Pastor

#### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 5 Ruby Abbott
- 6 Karen Frye
- 7 Carolyn Hawley
- 7 Sheila Zukor
- 9 Drew Ransone
- 9 Olivia Saunders
- 6 Ryan Christopher
- 16 Luke Saunders
- 20 Sue Brent
- 23 Susan Humphreys
- 23 Donna Swinney
- 27 Dick O'Neil
- 28 Laura Ransone

A belated happy birthday to Winnie McCrobie - January 28!

Warren and Marty Sutherland truly thank everyone for the cards, phone calls, emails and especially prayers during this difficult time. It truly helped!!

Denise DeVries and her husband Alvaro Ibaňez appreciated the congregation's prayers and expressions of concern during his hospital stay.



## Thought for the month:

Often there is nothing as godly as inactivity on our part, or nothing as harmful as restless working, for God has promised to work.

#### A.B. Simpson

Streams in the desert - L.B. Cowman and James Reimann

## Scripture for the month:

The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it. - I Thess. 5:24

#### Notes of thanks:

"Thanks go out to Matt Tennant and all my friends and family for calling and sending cards, along with all the prayers from the members of the church. Thanks again for thinking of me and my Dale.

God Bless you" - Maude Davis and family

"To Kilmarnock Baptist Church family,

What a great blessing you have been to me and my family since John's 'home going!' Your calls, your cards, your thoughts and prayers have meant so much to all of us.

A BIG thank you to all who supplied food for the reception that followed his memorial service. All of the Houghtons, along with our extended family, really enjoyed the meal – as did all of the guests present.

Thank you for being so SPECIAL to us over our fifty plus years together."

Edith, Kim, Nelson, Mark, Theresie, Paul, Dianne, Micah, Laura, Tim & Charlotte

# SERVING IN FEBRUARY

#### **Deacon of the Week**

Curtis Smith Edith Houghton Connie Jett Gary Wilkins

#### Nursery

Barbara Price Lisa Spiers Elizabeth Sanders Edna Mason Margaret Headley

#### **Ushers**

Moon Webb(Capt.) Eddie Bosher Mary Jane Gemmell Dick O'Neil Nancy Wetherington

#### Mission Friends & Children in Action (2nd Sunday)

Roberta Pouchot Barbara Price

#### **Flowers**

Pat Ramey Carolyn Hawley

#### 2013 Disaster Relief Training

Registration for the Virginia Baptist 2013 Disaster Relief Training opens February 1, 2013. Dates are:

April 26-27-Bonsack Baptist Church, 4845 Cloverdale Rd., Roanoke, VA 24019

May 3-4- River Road Church, Baptist, 8000 River Rd, Richmond, VA 23229

June 7-8-Calvary Baptist Church, 4832 Haygood Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23455

The cost is \$25/ person for first time volunteers and \$15/person for returning volunteers.

Training disciplines may be offered in Mass Care Feeding, Recovery (chainsaw and mudout), Communications, and Support Services (water, purification, shower and laundry units).

The typical agenda is Friday from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m. Housing is available, free of charge, at the host church. You must bring an air mattress. A Shower unit will be available.

Participants must register individually. Jeannette Hildebrand at the Virginia Baptist Mission Board can assist with any related questions. She can be reached at 800-255-2428 ext. 7260.

Lost and found: A *men's black raincoat* with a zip-out lining was mistakenly removed from the sanctuary on January 16. There were black leather gloves with an adjustable strap on the wrist in the pockets. A similar coat was left in the

The person returning the coat will be able to pick up his own raincoat at the same time. Please contact the church office so you will be expected.

church.

# **The Good News**

# Kilmarnock Baptist Church

# On Watch

## Changes... & new adventures

We can never walk through the same stream twice.
--Heraclitus

When people talk about change, especially in churches, anxiety levels go up and people get defensive. The mantra, "We've never done it *that way* before," acts as a defense against trying anything new, but simply waking up and breathing in a new day is a change. The day is new; it is different from the previous day, and it holds new possibilities, opportunities, and challenges. Change is constant.

The ancient Greek philosopher Heraclitus recognized the ever-presence of change when he talked about the flowing water of a stream. If I walk through a stream, even if I turn around and try to retrace my steps, the stream will be different--new, fresh water will flow around my ankles, and it will be different water than the water through which I first walked.

In my life, I can pinpoint significant changes: marriage, the birth of my children, big moves, and so on. Each brought excitement, joy, and wonder. Each also brought challenges and opportunities for personal growth.

Several years ago, Melanie and I learned about the Northern Neck Foster Care Program. We both saw the difference we could make for a child who needs a family, but the time was not right. Our church was going through some changes. Our family was still adjusting to our move to Kilmarnock. In my spare time (what's that?), I was busy with my doctorate and writing a book.

Then, 2012 happened. No, not the Mayan end of the world. In 2012, the pieces started to come together. Our church is getting healthier. My family is settled into life in the Northern Neck. My doctorate is closer to completion. Suddenly, Melanie and I looked around and realized that the time was right for us to add to our family.

Now, we are in the process of adopting a child through the Northern Neck Foster Care Program. This will mean big changes and new challenges for our family. We discussed it with our children, and they are excited. We visited with social workers. We filled out our paperwork. We were fingerprinted. We have begun preparing our home. And, we are attending training.

Changes can be good. Changes can be exciting. Changes can be unpredictable.

We have been praying about this decision for a long time, and we trust God will lead us as we enter this new chapter in the life of our family.

As we go forward, we will need our church family with us. We covet your prayers, and when our new addition brings challenges, we may need your encouragement or help in some other way.

Change is constant. The old Greek Heraclitus was right, but he did not say how great changes can be. My prayer is for grace and peace in all the changes life brings to you each day, month, and year.

Peace, Matt



Shhhh! **The Mouse who lives in the corner** found a nice place to sleep and has decided to take a winter nap this month.

Personnel Committee Music Director

Please welcome
Robbie Spiers as the
new Music Director for Kilmarnock
Baptist Church. Robbie has been an active
member of KBC for 25 years. He is involved in
many of the youth programs, along with choir,
WOW (Worship on Wednesdays) and the Sunday
9 a.m. Worship Service. He graduated from
James Madison University with a music
degree. Robbie has been a teacher at Lancaster
High School for 28 years and is currently the Band
Director.

Gina Vaughan resigned, effective January 27, to be with her husband, Marcus, and one-year-old son, William, at their church. We thank Gina for her service at KBC for the last 2+ years and wish her the best.

#### **Scout Sunday**

Thank you to everyone who planned and organized Scout Sunday and contributed items for their care packages for the troops.

#### **Hunters for the Hungry**

During February, the WMU invites you to consider "Hunters for the Hungry" and make a donation toward their work if you feel so led. This group has provided meat to our Food Pantry through the Food Bank. They are a 501C3 charitable organization. Further information can be found on their website at <a href="http://h4hungry.org">http://h4hungry.org</a>

#### **Support the Food Pantry**

Please consider contributing canned and non-perishable food items. We always need tuna fish, mayonnaise, peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce and pasta. It is also helpful to have cereals, canned fruits and vegetables, canned soup, canned meats, boxed macaroni and cheese, powdered milk, etc....or a cash donation that will enable us to provide frozen meats and meals.

#### **Religious Herald**

Because the church did not include individual print subscriptions to the Herald in the 2013 budget, members who wish to continue their subscriptions will be billed directly on a quarterly basis. Please contact the church office to coordinate the change in your subscription.

#### **Interfaith Warehouse**

The warehouse is still collecting blankets until mid-February. Items may be dropped off at the warehouse on Monday and Wednesday from 10:00 -12:00 noon. You may also bring items to church and Edna Mason will deliver them to the warehouse (no furniture or large appliances please). You may call the warehouse and arrange for pickup of large items. The number is 435-6050.

The Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies is for people who want to enhance their participation in congregational or professional life. You do not need to be in ministry to apply. Certificate courses can be taken on campus and online. For information, please visit our website, <a href="mailto:www.btsr.edu">www.btsr.edu</a>, email <a href="mailto:admissions@btsr.edu">admissions@btsr.edu</a>, or call our Admissions Office at 804-204-1208.

**The Virginia Baptist Mission Board** wrote KBC the following note of thanks for a donation of \$5,175 for disaster relief:

"Your contribution plays a significant part in the effort to restore lives, businesses, homes and families. Gifts like this honor our Lord and uplift His people as we seek to live out His command to love one another... Thank you for sharing the love of Christ in everything you do. May God bless you as you bless others in His name."

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# **2013 COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES**

# Sponsored by the Lancaster County Ministerial Association Hosted by Calvary Baptist Church Each Wednesday ♣ February 13 – March 27 at 12:05 PM

Date	Leader	Preacher	Reader	Lunch Host Teams
Feb 13	The Rev. Travis Copeland	The Rev. Hija Yu	Mildred Reid	Calvary, Kilmarnock & New
	Calvary Baptist	Bethel and Emmanuel Methodist	Mt. Vernon Baptist	St. John's Baptist
Feb 20	The Rev. Judy Thomson	The Rev. Kim Turner		Kilmarnock United
	St. Andrews Presbyterian	Sharon Baptist	Emmanuel Methodist	Methodist // Morattico
				Baptist // Living Water
				Lutheran
Feb 27	The Rev. Brooke Carillo	The Rev. Ray Massie	Dana Gilmour	Asbury, Irvington & White
	Iglesia Paz de Dios	Asbury and Bluff Point Methodist	Campbell Presbyterian	Stone United Methodist //
				Irvington, Maple Grove, Mt.
				Vernon & White Stone
				Baptist
Mar 06	The Rev. David Cromer	The Rev. Barbara Cain	Marge Page	Grace, St. Mary's White
	Corrottoman Baptist	Abiding Faith Baptist	Living Water Lutheran	Chapel & Trinity Episcopal
Mar 13	The Rev. Matt Tennant	The Rev. Kim Bunns		Bethel & Emmanuel United
	Kilmarnock Baptist	Sharon Baptist	Grace Episcopal	Methodist // Beulah &
				Corrottoman Baptist
Mar 20	The Rev. Ernie Webster	The Rev. Mary Haskins	Butch Miller	St. Francis de Sales Roman
	Hartswell Baptist	Hartswell Baptist	Wesley Presbyterian	Catholic
Mar 27	The Rev. Bryan McClain	The Rev. Barbara Tiggle	Janet Smith	Claybrook & Sharon Baptist
	White Stone Methodist	Sharon Baptist	Morattico Baptist	// Campbell Memorial, St.
				Andrews & Wesley
				Presbyterian