

The Towers Newsletter



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CALLED CONFERENCE, May 2

There will be a "Called Conference" after church services on **May 2**.

The Called Conference will be a shorten version in which only the report of the Finance Board for the budget will be discussed. All other information will be in the normal Conference Report for information. Should you have any questions regarding Board Reports please direct them to that Boards' Chairperson.



My Dear Friends,

Our long and tiring battle against The Virus has been worth our valiant efforts, as markers and signs seem to be encouraging. Keep up the good work and keep up your vigilance. Your Task Force is keeping a close eye on developments and will continue to monitor our programs and activities to ensure we are kept as safe and health as possible. Thanks for your help!

On May 16 we will once again observe Memorial Sunday (NOT to be confused with Memorial Day, a national observance, on Sunday, May 30). It has been two years since we have been able to remember our loved ones who have died since late April, 2019. Our memorial booklet will list our church members who have died and also the immediate family members of our church members as well. As with all such lists, there is always the possibility of omissions and errors despite our most conscientious efforts to be totally accurate. Please, if you will, email us, office@suffolkchristian.org, with those of your family who have passed away during that timeframe so we can double check our list.

As always in this service, candles will be lit for each one and families will be encouraged to take their candle as a remembrance.

The Bible reminds us, *Blessed are those who die in the Lord*. (Revelation 14:13)

God bless you!

Love, Michael



May's Mission – Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater

Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater is a Christcentered organization with a calling to reach out to women and families involved in crisis-related pregnancies by offering real help for the present, hope for the future, and healing from the past.

In 2018, there were 5,398 abortions in the Hampton Roads area. This means for every three babies born, one will lose its life to abortion. More lives are lost to abortion than any other cause of death.

CPC exists to save lives, spare hearts and further the gospel of Jesus Crist. We want our clients to know we genuinely care and have no financial gain from their pregnancy decision. We raise all financial support for our ministry through private funding. CPC does not receive any government funding.

If you would like to support this mission, please use your yellow envelope.



National Day of Prayer

On Thursday, May 6, the 70th National Day of Prayer will be observed across our land. This year's theme is "Lord Pour Out Your Love, Life, and Liberty." 2 Corinthians 3:17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. We ask you to take extra time in prayer on May 7 to call on God, praising His glory and in petition for the needs of the many, in our land and across the globe. God has promised us that if His people will humble themselves and call upon Him and confess, then He will hear our prayer and heal our land.





You can find the weekly services online at www.suffolkchristian.org, YouTube or https://www.facebook.com/aroups/SuffolkChristianChurch/



Matthew Grandy, Jr. born 04/02/202

He is the son of Matthew & Molly Grandy. The proud grandparents are Ed and Claire Skillen.



The TV in Saint's Alive was donated by Thomas Baines in memory of his sister, **Martha Baines Hill.**

Dear Church Family,

Words can not express the love and caring you sent to me and my family during our loss. From cards, calls, meals and visits. I truly felt the love of my church family. Thank you for your kindness.

In Christ, Mary Lou Bradshaw





Happy Birthday !!!!

Nancy Setnicky Jan Ellis Angela Martin Marilyn Boyce Noah Grandy Jennifer Harry Michael Matthews Kyle Griffin Abigail Bilby Teresa Trump Edward Britt, Jr. April Benton Bobby Masters Steven Keene Parker Bailey Martin Saunders Jane Arthur Tracy Bailey Lynn Pope Glenn Harrell Phæbe Bilby Ashley Benton	May 1 May 3 May 3 May 3 May 3 May 5 May 5 May 5 May 5 May 6 May 8 May 9 May 12 May 12 May 15 May 19 May 21 May 21 May 24 May 24 May 24 May 24 May 26 May 30
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*Items are needed for the weekly food pantry!

Applesauce (individual cups); Snacks (Granola Bars, Nabs, Individual Packs of Nuts); Oatmeal (Individual Servings); Pop Tarts; Noodles; Spaghetti; Macaroni; Rice (1 lb. bags); Dried Beans; Macaroni and Cheese; Canned Vegetables; Spaghetti Sauce; Canned Pasta, Peanut Butter, Jelly.



Memorials

Donations to the Memorial Fund in memory of Robert (Bobby) Johnson have been given by Wallace and Janet Johnson, Douglas and Gail Jones.

Donations to the Bus Fund in memory of Larry Rountree have been given by Marion Johnson, Tracy Bailey and Travis Johnson, Phil Rehrig and Beverly Yeoman, Ronnie and Melissa Shank, Douglas and Gail Jones, Nansemond River Power Squadron.

Donations to the Music Fund in memory of Peggy Hemphill have been given by Audrey Johnson, Glenn, Amy and Jennifer Hott.

Stewardship Report

"We Are Walking by Faith through Commitment"

January – March income - \$65,142.30 January – March expenses - \$65,852.42

Dollars for Haiti - \$3,808.00Total funds given to Haiti missions to date - \$2,300.00



January 2021 – Food Pantry - \$1,200.00 February 2021 – Scholarship Fund - \$840.00 March 2021 – Western Tidewater Free Clinic - \$845.00 April 2021 – Children's/Youth Fund - \$705.00



Graduation time is quickly approaching. If you have a child graduating from high school or college this year, please send their information to Priscilla Bunch via text or email @pbunch1@charter.net by Sunday, May 23rd.



June 6th

On Sunday, June 6th, we will be honoring our graduates during the 11:00 am worship service. If you are graduating this year from high school or college, please plan to attend. **Graduates: please wear your cap and gowns**. We will meet in the West Memorial Bible Class at **10:45 am**.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Mark your Calendars: AUGUST 8TH - 12TH

I am so excited to be able to announce we will be having VBS this year. Please mark your calendars and invite children to attend. This is a wonderful opportunity to spread the love of Jesus. Please pray how you can help this year. Some stations will be held outside and some inside to help with following the CDC guidelines. All details have not been finalized so keep your eyes open for further details. If you have any questions, please contact Priscilla Bunch.



Day 1:	Proverbs 13:20	Day 16:	Romans 12:18-21	
Day 2:	Proverbs 16:28	Day 17:	1 Corinthians 1:1-8	
Day 3:	Proverbs 17:17	Day 18:	Luke 6:27-31	
Day 4:	Proverbs 18:24	Day 19:	1 John 4:7-8	
Day 5:	Proverbs 22:24-25	Day 20:	Romans 12:9-10	
Day 6:	Proverbs 27:5-6	Day 21:	Colossians 3:12-14	
Day 7:	Proverbs 27:9	Day 22:	Philippians 2:1-4	
Day 8:	Proverbs 27:17	Day 23:	2 Corinthians 13:11	
Day 9:	Ecclesiastes 4:9-12	Day 24:	Romans 15:5-7	
Day 10:	John 15:12-14	Day 25:	John 17:20-23	
Day 11:	1 Thessalonians 5:11	Day 26:	1 Corinthians 1:10	
Day 12:	Romans 12:15-17	Day 27:	1 John 4:11-12	
Day 13:	Job 6:14	Day 28:	Romans 12:13-14	
Day 14:	1 Peter 4:8-10	Day 29:	1 John 4:19-21	
Day 15:	Hebrews 10:24-25	Day 30:	Ephesians 4:1-6	
		Day 31:	Proverbs 31:25-31	

I encourage you to read the scripture each day and meditate for 10 minutes on the scripture you have just read. Enjoy each day to the fullest!

CARE AND CONCERN COMMITTEE

The Care and Concern Committee met on March 15, 2021 to decide its future. After much discussion, it was felt that we needed to simplify this Committee. It was decided to have teams consisting of several or more members to work a month at time to help with the monthly requirements. We have members who have signed up through the month of August. There are eight families who receive a monthly meal, and the team will provide those meals along with any other needs to be met. At our September meeting, we will decide if this new plan is working for us to continue. Use the sign-up sheet below and return it to the office. It is hoped that everyone will feel led to join Care and Concern as a team member.

Elaine Abernathy and Claudia Salmon - Co-Facilitators

Care and Concern Volunteer Form Suffolk Christian Church

As the work of the Care and Concern Committee goes forward, in a slightly modified way, there is a great need for volunteers, both men and women. There are numerous ways that you can help. Please read over the list below and check all the ways that you are willing to serve. And as always, your prayers are appreciated.

Your r	name and phone number
	Another way I can help
	I am willing to send cards for this ministry.
	I am willing to make phone calls to help set up monthly meals.
	I am willing to help deliver monthly meals.
	I am willing to help prepare the food for a monthly meal.
	I am willing to be a participant on a monthly team.
	I am willing to be a co-leader of a monthly team.

Your email address

2021 Easter Flowers



<u>Spray On Inside Front Column</u> is in loving memory of **Kelly Carter Comeau** given by Sara Carter and Carol Syvrud

<u>Spray On Inside Front Column</u> is in honor of **Michael Halley** given by His Family

<u>Huntboard Arrangement</u> is in loving memory of "**Lisa" Noel** and **Lawrence** and **Elizabeth Burnett** given by Barbara and David Ascher and Greg and Michaela Noel

<u>Second Floor Foyer Arrangement</u> is in loving memory of **Jack Byrd** and **Pamela Byrd Conklin** given by Eloise Byrd and Robin B. Huffman

<u>South Vestibule Arrangement</u> is in loving memory of **Bud** and **Mary Jane Writtenberry** and **Jobie** and **Marie Jones** given by Calvin and Evelyn and Family

<u>Downstairs Hallway Wreath</u> is in loving memory of **Richard Saunders**, **Abram** and **Edla Norfleet**, **Percy** and **Ida Saunders**, **William Norfleet**, **Robert Norfleet**, **Marianna Whitley**, and **Clifton Saunders** given by Margaret Saunders

North Entrance Floral Spray is in loving memory of **Beverly C.** and **Janie Aston** given by the Family

North Entrance Floral Spray is in loving memory of **Ron Aston** and **Kathy Aston Parker** given by the Family

<u>South Outside Entrance Floral Spray</u> is in loving memory of Our Son, **Corey** given by John and Ginnie Kinsey

<u>Front Outside Floral Spray</u> is in loving memory of **Russell Garner** and **Elvin** and **Dorthy St. Clair** given by Lynne and Alan Garner

<u>Front Outside Floral Spray</u> is in honor of **Grace** and **Tom Atkins** given by Lynne and Alan Garner

North Vestibule Arrangement is in loving memory of **Our Parents** given by John and Ginnie Kinsey

<u>Pascal Candle</u> is in loving memory of **Sylvia Barnes Bilby** and **Paulette Lassiter Cherry** given by The Bilby Family

Easter Lilies in Loving Memory of:

- Ann O. Ralph given by Bobby, Wendy, Art, and Conner
- Brenda Q. Scott given by Tommy and Rita Queen
- Terry and Tremilla Drew given by Tommy and Rita Queen
- **Helen** and **Guy Haslett** given by The Family
- Bridget and Herman Blair given by Carmen and Michael Halley
- Rena and Raymond Halley given by Carmen and Michael Halley
- Edgar and Edith Cole, Parents of Lisa Cole Carraway given by Lisa Cole Carraway
- Hilda and Winston Meade and JoAnn Wills given by Claudia and Irvin
- Ethel and Claude Salmon and Jack and Pat Salmon given by Claudia and Irvin
- Great Uncle Dale Marvin Bilby given by The Bilby Family
- Joseph T. and Ellen Louise Pierce and Dr. and Mrs. J. Michael Nemish given by John and Janet
- George E. Stuck, Sr. given by His Wife, Alice
- Robert Bangley given by Mary Huber
- Robert Bangley given by Donna, Shari, and Jay
- Mildred and C. C. Bracy given by Diane and Charlie Mathia
- David and Dorothy Darden given by David and Janie Darden
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- Floyd Twiford given by Judy Twiford
- Jane and Arthur Stone given by Judy Twiford and Donna McCoy
- Our Parents, Leslie and Evelyn Nelms given by Vicki and Les
- My Husband, James Kenneth Martin, Jr. (Kenny) given by Vicki Nelms Martin
- Fireman 1C Howard David Hodges, USN (d. December 7, 1941, burial April 17, 2021) given by The Bilby Family
- Danny Goben given by Jim and Carman Goben
- Darin Swinney given by Jim and Carman Goben
- Our Parents, Bill and Matsie Savage given by the Savage Family
- Edward L. and Marietta M. Everett, Our Aunt and Uncle given by The Savage Family
- James and Emily Lynch given by Joe and Janet Simmons
- Dr. and Mrs. Bill Simmons given by Joe and Janet Simmons
- Christopher Francis given by Joe and Janet Simmons
- Elinor Steiner given by Nick and Patty Allen
- Marian Bradley given by Nick and Patty Allen
- Billy Huskey given by Nick and Patty Allen
- Clyde Allen Burford given by Sarah Burford
- Margaret Virginia Herring and All My Deceased Brothers and Sisters given by Sarah Burford

Easter Lilies in Honor of:

- Janet Rock given by Friends
- Mary Huber given by Friends
- Alice Stuck given by Lisa Cole Carraway
- Mary Huber for her beautiful music each Sunday
- Carmen Halley for her beautiful music each Sunday



May 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 8:45am Worship Service 9:30am Kings Ringers 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service 12:00pm Called Church Conference	3	4 7:00pm Lysa TerKeurst "Forgiving What You Can't Forget" Bible Study	5 7:00pm Board of Christian Ed	6 10:00am Thursday Crafters 6:45pm Masque Chancel Handbell Choir	7 11:30am Meals on Wheels	8
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