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Shalom Baptist Church Newsletter

September 2022



THE SHALOM NEWSLINE



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FRIDAY, SEPT 2 | 7PM ET

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Mechanicsville 23111

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Church Office Hours

Monday: 7:30am-5pm, Tuesday: 8am-2pm,
Wednesday: 7:30am-3pm Thursday: 8am-2pm



MARK'S MINUTE

As I've been sharing in my most recent sermons, here are 8 things that God has been teaching me during my Sabbatical (and is continuing to use to shape me AFTER my Sabbatical!):

- 1) **Allowing God to adjust our rhythms.** *"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up: do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland."* (Isaiah 43:19)
- 2) **Recognizing the need for some solitude and silent times** (mini-retreats in our days). *"Be still and know that I am God"* (Psalm 46:10)
- 3) **Developing more of a "savor" in life** (for things in this physical world but also things in our spiritual journeys). *"Taste and see that the Lord is good"* (Psalm 34:8)
- 4) **Being more intentional about seeking God and seeing God more and more...in more of our days.** *"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart"* (Jeremiah 29:13)
- 5) **Being more teachable, and sharing with others what God has been teaching.** *"Remember this, whoever sows sparingly, will also reap sparingly—and whoever sows generously will also reap generously...Now He who supplies seed to the sower..."* (2 Corinthians 9:6,10)
- 6) **Viewing life more as an "adventure with God".** *"'Lord, if it's you,' Peter replied, 'tell me to come to you on the water.' 'Come,' [Jesus] said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus."* (Matthew 14:28-29)
- 7) **Evaluate better practices and Kingdom priorities.** *"You say, 'I have the right to do anything'—but not everything is beneficial. 'I have the right to do anything'—but not everything is constructive."* (1 Corinthians 10:23).
- 8) **The importance of community** (specifically, Christian community).
Love one another – 1 John 4:12
Encourage one another – Hebrews 3:13
Spur one another to love and good works – Hebrews 10:24
Serve one another – Galatians 5:13
Instruct one another – Romans 15:14
Honor one another – Romans 12:10
Be patient with one another and forgive one another – Ephesians 4:32
Bear with one another's burdens – Galatians 6:2
Speak the truth to one another – Ephesians 4:25

I pray that these things speak to your hearts as much as they did to mine.

Love,

Pastor Mark



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-Pastor Mark-





Shut-in of the Month:

Alma Wright

**7266 Bellspring Drive
Mechanicsville, VA 23111**

Please remember Alma this month by sending her a card or calling. It means so much to our Shut-Ins, that they are remembered and that we still care.

Meet our Deacon for the
month of September:

Brian Seebeck



FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE:

- The church office will be closed Monday, Sept. 5th in observance of Labor Day.
- Church Council Meeting-Tuesday, Sept. 6th at 7:00 pm
- October Newsletter entries are due Wed. Sept. 21st.



MENU

September 7th
BARBEQUE

September 14th
STUFFED SHELLS

September 21st
CHICKEN STIR FRY

September 28th
HAMBURGERS & HOTDOGS

Cost: \$5.00 for adults
\$2.00 for children
\$12.00 per family

Each week reservation cards will be in the bulletin. Please fill out a card and put it in the offering plate or call the church office with your reservation by 3:00pm Monday and leave a message.



PASTORAL PONDERINGS

with Pastor Dan

First of all, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support as your temporary “senior pastor” while Pastor Mark was on sabbatical. Your prayers, words of encouragement, and special appreciations helped me through those 3 ½ months.

As I wrote in my last “ponderings,” now we must pull together behind Pastor Mark as he shares with us the results of his journeys, both physical and spiritual. We may have to consider doing things a bit differently than “business as usual” here at Shalom. As he shares with us, let’s all be in constant prayer [which we’re supposed to be doing anyway!] with our minds tuned in to God’s leading us into the future. After all, we don’t know what lies ahead, but God does!

Sabbatical isn’t over, folks! Remember: we’re either anchors, holding us in place, or sails, moving us forward. As the old song says, “We’ve only just begun!”



Evening group will not meet in September.

Wednesday, Sept. 7th: After dinner the Hope Team, led by Valerie Carter Smith, Executive Director and Treasurer of WMUV will present a program on Human Trafficking. Please plan to attend and bring your friends to learn about this increasing issue in our area and across our country.

Morning group meets September 12th-10:00 a.m. - at church - for more information contact Ann McFaden- 804-513-0052

September 11th-18th is our Alma Hunt offering for Virginia Missions. Envelopes and Week of Prayer leaflets are available at welcome desk.

BE LIGHT

THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS, AND THE DARKNESS HAS NOT OVERCOME IT. JOHN 1:9

ALMA HUNT OFFERING
for Virginia Missions

SEPTEMBER 11-18, 2022 | ALMAHUNT.ORG

BGAV
Baptist General Association of Virginia

WMUV
WOMEN'S MISSIONS UNION OF VIRGINIA

OUR CHURCH GIVING GOAL:

\$4,000.00



Christian Village



We are currently collecting adult diapers (sizes L & XL) for Christian Village. You can place them in the blue cart in the church lobby. We are currently not collecting laundry detergent at this time.



Donations have been low throughout the community regarding the One Stop Shop. MCEF is purchasing items needed to supplement what is on their shelves.

At this time donations of anything non-perishable are appreciated.

Donations can be placed in the blue grocery cart in the church lobby.

Thank you,
Linda Wade



MEN'S MINISTRY NOTES:

There are several opportunities for service and fellowship during September.

The first opportunity is a trip to Bland County Ministry Center to construct some wheelchair ramps. We will be leaving Shalom at 6:00 am on Tuesday, Sept. 6, to travel to Bland and begin our work that afternoon. We will return from Bland on Thursday, Sept. 8, arriving back in the late evening. Please let Ken Hein or Gordon Eary know if you can participate.

The Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be Saturday, Sept. 10, at 8:00 am at Cold Harbor Restaurant.

Our third opportunity is on Wednesday, Sept. 28, when the men will prepare and serve Shalom's Wednesday night dinner. We will be serving an All-American dinner of hamburgers, hotdogs, baked beans and chips. Please let Ken Hein know if you can help prepare, serve or clean up.

Looking ahead to October, we have reserved a 38-passenger bus to take men up o the Vietnam War Memorial and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington. Please let Ken Hein know if you want to participate. Seats will be filled on a first come basis.



CentriKid 2022: Mission Accomplished-Seeds Planted!

In August I had a chance to say thanks, 'in-person', I also wanted to say it here too. Thank you for your support for CentriKid 2022. Specifically, thank you to/for:

- Shannon & Vikki, my two brave chaperone 'accomplices.'
- Pastor Mark, Kelly and Kathy for all of your help getting the trip going in the beginning.
- The Co-Ed Sunday School class for the donation for snacks.
- The cards the kids opened each night!
- The support of purchasing cakes for the fundraising dollars to be there.
- Providing the support of paying for 1/3 of the campers.
- YOUR PRAYERS!

Never doubt that this is as much a mission as anything else. If only you could hear all the comments and questions mentioned by the kids, you would know in your heart it was worth it! This year we learned about the 'wonder' of God as told in Jeremiah 32:17. We learned the gospel plan: *God rules, we sinned, God provides, Jesus gives and we respond*. Thirteen kids went this year. The camaraderie and friendships were great to see form (in some cases) and strengthen in others. Many of the kids are still in touch with each other. This year, some were from this church, and some were not. Some of the campers don't have a church home...yet. It was a great experience for all, and I think the kids all got something out of it, no matter where they were in their walk of faith.

In a final testament to the 'excitement' created, I've already heard from kids and parents saying, "I'm going next year." This would be great as many of the campers, 'aged out' this year. I truly believe the seeds planted there will grow and bear fruit!



Baby Shower FOR THE *East End Crisis Pregnancy Center*

09.24.2022

02:00-04:00

SHALOM BAPTIST CHURCH

PLEASE DO NOT WRAP GIFTS





EMT is
pleased to
sponsor...

MUSIC, PRAISE & BBQ



FREE X

FOOD X

FAMILY

X **FUN**



September 25, 2022 / 6 PM

Bring a friend and join us @ Shalom for an uplifting night of praise & worship, as we rejoice in the Lord with Amy Ladd and other musical talent. We will all fellowship afterwards and enjoy a free BBQ meal! (sign-up cards will be in the bulletins)



Just Breathe Caregivers Support Meeting

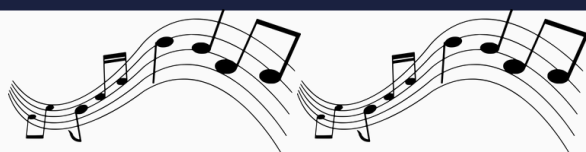
Just Breathe will resume their meetings starting Monday, September 26th at 7:00 pm. For more information contact Leisa George at 804-814-8096.



Join the AV Team

Our church media ministry team is looking for folks to join us in sharing our worship services and other programs beyond the boundaries of our walls.

Our church's media ministry is vital in providing services to our shut-ins and others who are unable to join us on Sundays. If you have an interest at all in this ministry, please talk with Jean and she can help you get connected.



Christmas Cantata Rehearsal

Every Sunday, starting September 4th at 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary



Saturday, September 10th

10:00 am-Children's Committee Mtg.

11:00 am-Children's Church Leader Mtg.

Wednesday, September 14th

6:15 pm-Parent/Guardian of K-5th Grade Mtg.

Saturday, October 29th

Trunk-or-Treat



Teacher Needed

Our Children in Action program is in need of one Lead Teacher (or a two person team) to head up CA's on Wednesday nights for the upcoming year. If you are interested please contact Mitzi Hubble at 804-937-4515 or Ann McFaden at 804-513-0052.

A BIG **THANK YOU** TO OUR LEADERS WHO HELPED THIS SUMMER WITH OUR VOYAGERS PROGRAM AND TO OUR 46 VOLUNTEERS AND 30 CHILDREN WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR MONUMENTAL VBS!

September Anniversaries

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| 11th | David & Gail Hosfeld Albert & Joan Scott Bob & Dawn Stoneman |
| 12th | Steven & Christine Dillard |
| 14th | Slip & Rhonda Neal |
| 17th | Chad & Sam Mayhew |
| 19th | Matt & Krystal Johnston |
| 27th | Drew & Gayle Revere |
| 29th | Byron & Bonnie Blake Donald & Dana Hess |
| 30th | Charles & Vicki Trice-Romano |

September Birthday's

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| 1st | Jo Harris | 20th | Karen Adam |
| | Sam Mayhew | | Sherry Dillard |
| 2nd | Dee Miller | | Reid Glass |
| 3rd | Gil Williams | | Diane Hudson |
| 5th | Sherleen Payne | | Shelly Wilson |
| 6th | Mark Miller | 21st | Gordon Eary |
| 8th | Mason Butler | 22nd | Bill Stanley |
| | Madi Butler | | Roxanne Young |
| 10th | Donald Hess | 23rd | Deborah Michalosky |
| | Jerry Kelly | | Joyce Shagena |
| | Megan Seay | 24th | Daniela Robins |
| 14th | Elizabeth Hudson | | Kenny Taylor |
| 15th | Gloria Basham | 26th | Jerry Johnson |
| | Sandy Webb | | Zach Norman |
| 16th | Terri Felts | 29th | Mike Dart |
| | Bobby Norman Jr. | 30th | Mary Beasley |
| | | | Bonny Miragliotta |





SEPTEMBER 2022



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 28 8:30am Worship 9:20am He/Breiv Cafe 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Warriors (Youth) 11:00am Worship 3:00pm Christmas Cantata Listen Through | 29 11:00am Staff Meeting 6:30pm BMT Meeting | 30 8:30am Men's Bible Study 9:00am Walking 7:00pm Personnel Meeting | 31 6:15pm Bible Study 6:15pm Praise Team 7:30pm Basketball 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal | 1 7:00pm Overcomers Outreach | 2 7:00pm Sight & Sound LIVE Streaming of David | 3 |
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Shalom has many ministries, committees and teams where you can get connected to share your talents and gifts. Please fill out the 'Get Plugged In' insert in your bulletin and return to the church office.

The Nominating Committee thanks you as you prayerfully consider how to get "plugged in" at Shalom.