



THE SHALOM NEWSLINE

*“Go, therefore, and make disciples
of all nations, baptizing them in the
name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit...”*

MATTHEW 28:19

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Mark's Minute

The apostle Paul wrote these words at the beginning of his letter to the church in Philippi: “I thank my God every time I remember you.” I have recently learned that the words “think” and “thank” come from the same root word. That tells me that giving thanks should stem out of you and me thinking about our blessings.

And we, Shalom, are truly blessed! With that said, I wanted to use my newsletter article to say a huge and heartfelt “THANK YOU” to all who made Easter week what it was!

Thank you to ALL of you who volunteered your time, effort and energy in making our Children’s Easter event a success. Kathy, our children’s committee, parents, grandparents and volunteers—those who set up, those who welcomed guests into our lobby, those who worked the various stations, and those who helped tear down afterwards...THANK YOU!

Thank you to Jean, our choir, our A/V folks, Jeff, Ron and Vicki, for making our Cantata a wonderful success! It was incredibly moving and most definitely, memorable. For hours of practices...to a Saturday rehearsal... to the Canata itself, THANK YOU! Thank you to those who worked A/V – from adjusting levels to adjusting microphone heights. From running power points to navigating cameras, Facebook and YouTube...THANK YOU!

Thank you to ALL who made our Seder meal so meaningful...From Kenny and Roy hanging curtains (while hanging off scaffolding) to those who moved tables to our Special events committee (and other volunteers) who helped decorate those tables! For all who worked in the kitchen –peeling countless apples to cooking chicken. From arranging parsley to horseradish on plates. To those who “gathered up” all of the “extra special touches”—(like Jane, roasting lamb and providing a horseradish root.) To Tiffany, Joan, Tracey, Kathy, Vicki and Dan selling and collecting tickets and to those who supplied all the décor—THANK YOU!

Thank you to Jean, Kathy and the other volunteers who prepared a wing of our church for the “stations of the cross” on Good Friday. Thank you for giving your time and your attention to detail to bless those of us who went through those stations with a deeper reflection for Good Friday. THANK YOU.

Thank you for the guys who came up to church on Saturday morning to make sure that all of the pollen in the pavilion got cleaned off...AND that all of the benches got arranged before Sunday morning—THANK YOU!

Thank you to John, Darrell, Roy, Janice (and their truck) for helping us get things out to the pavilion on Easter Sunday morning at 6 am. And thank you to Bonnie and Paul for picking up A TON of “Country Style Donuts” for Sunday morning...and for those who helped with Hebrews café that day, too.

Thank you to those who set up the Easter lilies in the sanctuary...and for those who set up the “flowering cross” at our entrance. It was absolutely beautiful! Thank you to all who were part of making our services a blessing on Easter Sunday morning...and for our Sunday school teachers and children’s church workers being so faithful each week. Thank you...THANK YOU!

“I thank my God every time I remember you.”

In Him,

Pastor Mark



May 7th
POTLUCK

May 14th
CHICKEN ALFREDO

May 21st
WALKING TACOS

May 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.



Shut-in of the Month: *Marie Edwards*

7090 Covenant Woods Drive
A111
Mechanicsville, VA 23111



Joyce Brown

7600 Autumn Park Way
Room 507
Mechanicsville, VA 23116



Please remember both Marie and Joyce this month by sending them a card. It means so much to our Shut-Ins, that they are remembered and that we still care.

Meet our Deacon for the
month of May:

Glen Daniel





HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

"She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue."

Proverbs 31:25-26



Calling All 2025 Graduates!

Graduate Recognition & Banquet Sunday, May 18th



If you're graduating from high school or college this year, please fill out the graduate recognition form located in the church lobby at the welcome desk. **Please return it to the church office by Sunday, May 11th.** We are recognizing our graduates at both the 8:30 and 11:00 am worship services.

Graduates and their families are also invited to attend a **Graduate Banquet** immediately following the 11:00 am service on **Sunday, May 18th** in the Fellowship Hall. If you plan on attending, please RSVP by marking 'Yes' on the graduate recognition form with the total number of persons who will be attending with you.

Leslie & Hazel Watson Missions Offering & Month of Prayer



Dover Baptists observe a Month of Prayer for Association Missions in May each year. The Leslie and Hazel Watson Missions Offering supports the ministries of local and international organizations. The Leslie and Hazel Watson Offering is named in memory of an amazing couple who were strongly dedicated to God and His Missions. The Watsons were long-time Dover Baptists as well as missionaries serving in Japan and other places. Prayer guides and offering envelopes are located in the church lobby.



Strength in the Journey

Strength in the Journey is a ministry for those who have lost their spouse and are seeking the support of others who are navigating this path in their life's journey. You are welcome to join our next meeting on **Monday, May 19, 2025**. We will be meeting at the church's new pavilion at 1:00 pm. Please bring a bag lunch and drink. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Nelson.

Nursery

One of our nursery workers, Ayrielle will be on maternity leave for approximately 6 Sundays. Currently we are planning for the following Sunday's:



We will need one person each week for the 8:30 am service, Sunday School, and the 11:00 am worship service. Please contact Jamie Crigger to sign up.

The schedule may need to be readjusted in case Baby Felix comes early.

Gerald and I would like to say THANK YOU to our Shalom family for all the many prayers, cards, calls, visits and food during his surgery and recovery. It means so very much to have a loving and caring church family.

Blessings,
Debbie & Gerald Cousins

To our Shalom family,
Thank you so much for the kindness shown to our mother, Mary Revere, over the last few years. She really appreciated your cards, visits, and especially your prayers. Our family also appreciates your prayers and words of comfort since her passing on April 3. We find peace in knowing that she is with our Heavenly Father.

The Revere Family

Dear Shalom Family,
Thank you all so much for your kind words and prayers in the passing of my mother, Betty Robertson. Your love and support have meant so much to me and my family.

Kathy Seay and Family



KIDS CORNER



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday, May 17th, 2 pm-Painting Workshop
- Every Tuesday during the summer **starting on June 10th-VOYAGERS 8:45 am-2:15 pm**
- Saturday June 21st, 10 am-Touch-A-Truck & Resource Fair
- **SAVE THE DATE for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL August 5th-9th**



MEN'S MINISTRY

The Mission Trip to Bland Ministry Center will depart Shalom at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 4th. We will return the evening of Wednesday, May 7th. It is not too late to join us on the trip. Please contact Ken Hein if you are able to participate.

On Saturday, May 17th, we will have our third annual day of Fun, Fellowship, Fishing and Food at Dr. Jeff Wilson's lake in King William.

This year we are opening the event up to all men and their families. Fishing will start at 11:00 and food will be served around 12:30. Bring your families, some chairs and fishing gear and join us for this event.

The Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study Group will begin a new 22 week study of the Book of Revelation on April 29th. We meet at 8:30 in the conference room and invite you to join us.



Sisters in Service Circle will meet Monday, May 19th at Riverbound for lunch at 11:30 am. This is our last meeting until September.

Beloved Circle will meet Tuesday, May 20th at 6:30 pm at the home of Lori Glass. This is our last meeting until September.

The total amount raised for the Annie Armstrong Easter offering was \$3,435.00.

THANK YOU!



WMU will kick off their **Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit the East End Pregnancy Center** starting on Mother's Day, May 11th through Father's Day, June 15th.



**Just Breathe Caregiver
Support Group
Monday, June 3rd
7:00 pm**

We will not meet in May due to Memorial Day. We will have a potluck dinner at Chuck & Leisa George's home on June 3rd.

Parent-Child Dedication

Celebrating the gift of a new life is a special time in our church. On Sunday, May 11th, during both worship services, you will have the opportunity to dedicate your child to the Lord. If you would like to be a part of this upcoming dedication service, please contact the church office at 804-746-7737.



The Cancer Support Group
meets every **4th TUESDAY** of
the month.

**Next Meeting
Tuesday, May 27th
10:30 am**

RAISIN' CANES

The Senior Adult group here at Shalom has re-branded. They are now called the "Raisin' Canes". They meet every 4th Thursday of the month. Their next meeting is Thursday, May 22nd at 1:00 pm at the home of Chuck & Leisa George for a picnic.

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE:

- Church Council will meet at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, May 6th in the Co-Ed Classroom.
- June Newsletter entries are due, Wednesday, May 21st.
- The church office will be closed Monday, May 26th in observance of Memorial Day.
- Kelly will be out of the office **August 4-7**. If you would be interested in volunteering to man the office during that time for a few hours in the morning, please call the church office at 804-746-7737.





Encouragement Ministry **Team (EMT)**

The EMT typically meets every 4th Monday of the month. Due to the 4th Monday falling on Memorial Day, we will not be meeting.

*Trust in the Lord with
all of your heart.
Proverbs 3:5*

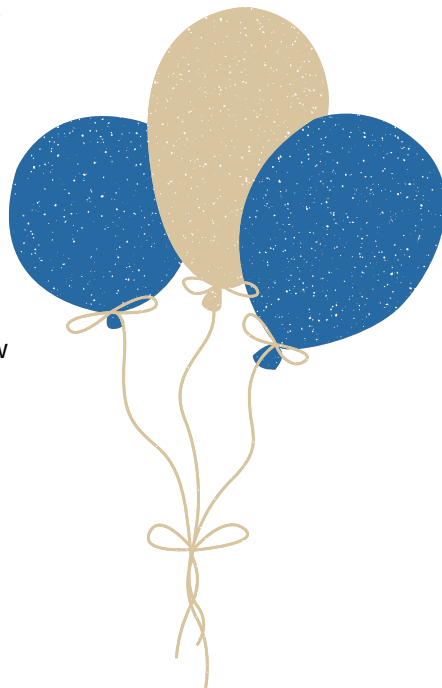


May Anniversaries

3rd	Wayne & Carolyn Hufner
4th	Ric & Jen Ritz
	Larry & Tracey Seward
6th	Mary Lee & John Wilberger
17th	Brad & Liz Crew
20th	Jean & Michael Dart
24th	Brian & Karen Friedel
	Lewis & Dehlia Jackson
28th	Jeff & Angela Farrier
29th	Chuck & Mary Hunter Townsend

May Birthday's

2nd	Nolan Baker	27th	Sheila Hein
	Madeline Miller		Glenda Snowa
	Opal Pope	28th	Sam Miller
3rd	Roy Southard		Deborah Thomas
4th	Austin Gammon	29th	Bill Trice
5th	Carol Loving	31st	Cindy Kelly
	Darrel Poindexter		
7th	Marie Edwards		
	Gary Kirby		
10th	Ray Durvin		
	Alvin Thomas		
11th	Diane Hoffman		
	Laura Morris		
	Zach Neal		
	Joan Scott		
13th	Charlotte Mayhew		
14th	Dylan Ryan		
17th	Laura Kelly		
18th	Vickie Gidley		
19th	Dan Thompson		
20th	Jason Crew		
	Susan Lewis		
22 nd	Amy Mangum		
23rd	Vernon Beasley		
26 th	Spencer Dean		





MAY 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 8:30am Worship 9:20am He'Brews Cafe 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:15pm Quarterly Business Meeting & Luncheon (Tentative) 12:15pm Youth Choir Rehearsal 3:00pm Girl Scout Meeting	28 Lifeline Screening 9:00am Feedmore Truck 11:00am Staff Meeting 6:30pm EMT Meeting 7:00pm Just Breathe Caregiver Support Group	29 (GBC-Car Wash) 8:30am Men's Bible Study 9:00am Walking in the Gym 6:30pm Personnel Committee Meeting	30 6:15pm Bible Study (Heaven) 6:15pm Children's Ministry Program 6:15pm Praise Team 6:15pm Youth 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	1 6:15pm Bible Study (Heaven) 6:15pm Children's Ministry Program 6:15pm Praise Team 6:15pm Youth 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	2 6:00pm Men's Ministry Kitchen Reserved	3 12:00pm WMU Mother's Day Tea
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