#### **Our Mission at BRVBC**

We are committed to Christ's Great Commission as we Evangelize the Sinner, Baptize the Saved, and Mobilize

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP**

Sunday School	9:45 AM
Morning Worship	10:45 AM
Evening Worship	6:00 PM
Wednesday in the Word6:30 PM	
(Children & Youth)	6:30 PM

#### **ABOUT OUR CHURCH HOW DO I BECOME A MEMBER?**

By Profession of Faith and Baptism: If you will receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and follow Him in baptism by immer-

By Baptism from Another Denomination: If you know in your heart that you received Jesus Christ as personal Savior and Lord at some point in your life and feel God has led you to our church, but have never been baptized by immersion.

By Transfer of Letter: If you are a Baptist whose membership is elsewhere and who feels God has led you to Blue Ridge View.

By Statement: If you are saved and have been Scripturally baptized in a church and your membership records are not available for transfer OR you are saved and have been baptized by immersion and are coming from another denomination.

\* If you feel that God has led you to Blue Ridge View you may come forward during the invitation of any of our services and express your desire to the pastor.



#### **Serenity Family Addiction** Recovery—12 Steps to Healing

Is there anything that dominates your thinking, emotions or actions - money, work, power, sexuality, alcohol or other drugs, relationships or activities? If so, it might be an addiction or dependency. If not dealt with, it could shift your life dangerously out of balance. Have you come from a painful family background? Those of us who have grown up in a dysfunctional family often have addictive personalities as adults. Unhealthy families produce unhealthy children who become unhealthy adults. Are you one? Do you have a history of damaging and hurtful relationships? Serenity Family Addiction Recovery is an ongoing, Christ-and Bible-centered recovery program that helps in recognizing and healing emotional wounds. The meetings are held in strict confidentiality and anonymity. If you answered yes to any of the above questions, you are invited to come join us Tuesdays at 6:30 PM, in the back of the sanctuary building, to begin healing.

For more information: Chris: 864-238-7473 Marie: 864-238-7477

Learn more at: https://brvbc.org/family-addiction-recovery



**December 21st 6 PM Choir Christmas** Cantata

#### **Counting Our Blessings**

SUNDAY, October 26         Sunday School       123         AM Worship       189         PM Worship       125         Reg. Offering       \$5,706.25	SUNDAY, November 9 Sunday School
SUNDAY, November 2 Sunday School	SUNDAY, November 16         Sunday School       149         AM Worship       187         PM Worship       121         Reg. Offering       \$7,785.48



"Rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing instant in prayer." Romans 12:12

Thank you to the Sunday School faithful, your presence is an encouragement. I know we are missing many. I challenge you to not stack up the extra seats, instead put a name on them and pray for the person you want to see fill it. Keep inviting that friend, neighbor, colleague, or church visitor to your class.

If you are not a member of a Sunday School class, I urge you to become involved. Sunday School is a special time at BRV. It is a time to connect with others your age and similar life stage to develop friendship and fellowship while studying God's Word. As you study the Bible together you will be encouraged and challenged in your spiritual growth and daily life.

We have a class for every age!

#### The L.O.F.T. Breakfast Schedule

December 7 Pancakes

December 14 Chad & Lydia Trotter

December 21 Freddie & Wanda Duncan

December 28 Randy & Khristie Tate

If you're unable to take a turn, but would like to make donations, we can still use pancake mix, breakfast meats and 2-liter sodas. We go through around four 2-liters every Sunday.



Our Women's Ministry is excited to present: Parents Night Out December 5th from 5-9 PM. It's a wonderful opportunity for kids to enjoy pizza, games, arts, and a movie while parents take some well deserved time off. Whether it's Christmas shopping or a date night, we hope

There is a sign-up sheet located in the Preschool department and in the Children's Department.

#### Grace in the Wilderness Christmas Brunch for Moms Who Have Lost Children December 13th from 9am-1pm

If you are the mother of a child who has passed away, we would love to invite you for this day of inspiration, networking with other moms, and paying tribute to these precious children. If you have had a sibling pass away, we would love to invite you as well.

TICKETS ARE NO CHARGE BUT REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. PLEASE REGISTER BY DECEMBER 7, 2025 \*Optional: please bring a framed photo of your child to honor and share with others. For more info. contact Marie Pritchett 864-979-5281

#### December 2025

# Blue Ridge View Baptist Church

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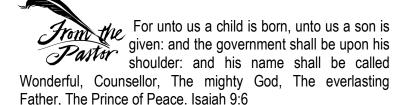
Senior Pastor	Pastor Chad Trotter
Youth Pastor	Pastor Dustin Rampey
Media Director	Mr. Cooper Benjamin
Choir Director	Mrs. Kamryn Smith
Congregational Music Director  Preschool Director	Mr. Randy Hughes
Preschool Director	Mrs. Wanda Duncan
<ul> <li>Children's Director</li> </ul>	Mrs. Keni Kelly
Church Secretary	Mrs. Emily Langston





# Merry Christmas!

The Church office will be closed: December 23-26 **December 31-January 2** 



It is hard to believe that Christmas is here once again. When I was younger it seemed as if Christmas would never come! This morning, I have this thought on my mind "I wonder how Christ feels about the way we celebrate His birth?" There has never, nor will there ever be a more important birth than the birth of Jesus Christ. With that said, we should make a big fuss about Him!

However, it seems we put more focus on buying or receiving that perfect gift than we do Jesus Christ himself! Amongst all the stress around Christmas, be sure to take time to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. Be sure to share the meaning with those around you. Be sure to thank Jesus for leaving the comforts and perfection of Heaven only to come to this sin sickened world, to bear our sins on an old, rugged cross. To be the propitiation for our sins and not only ours but for the whole world!

I Love you Blue Ridge View and Merry Christmas!

Pastor Chad





Psalm 100:3 'It is He that hath made us and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.' This is a great reminder that we belong to the Lord. True worship starts with this assurance. Knowing that we are created in His image is great. But He is also The Great Shepherd that watches over us, the sheep.

The Lord cares for His sheep. The sheep do not wander around on their own aimlessly without provision. When we recognize that we are His, and when He becomes our Shepherd in every part of life, our worship gains a sense of security, identity, and belonging. We don't come before God as strangers, but as prized sheep gathered safely in the care of a faithful Shepherd.

Dustin Rampey Youth Pastor

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Christmas time, my favorite time of the year! With the business of this holiday season, it is important that we remember why we have this season to celebrate. Jesus our savior is born! Let us never forget the goodness and blessing of this!

We hope you'll join us at BRV for all the ways we celebrate the birth of Jesus. A couple of my favorites are the Christmas Cantata and TeamKidz Operation Christmas Child fieldtrip.

While we enjoy this time for ourselves, this season also gives us an opportunity to bless others. With the Lottie Moon Christmas offering, Operation Christmas Child, and other ministries that support others during the Christmas season, we can receive the blessing of blessing others. There is so much joy in giving, and I pray that we all receive this joy.

Merry Christmas BRV! Cooper Benjamin

#### Saved To Serve

#### Deacon of the Week

December 7	Scott Childs, 864-230-1851	
December 14	Adam Kelly, 864-483-3884	
December 21	Charles Taylor, 864-859-7245	
December 28	Tim Smith, 864-350-0234	
January 4	Bradley Johnson, 864-419-7209	
January 11	Marty Johnson, 864-991-9314	
<u>Tithe Counters</u>		
December 7	Donnie Clark & Jeff Bowen	
December 14	Adam & Keni Kelly	
December 21	Sandra Raines & Jeremy Benjamin	
December 28	Sammy Elrod & Lydia Trotter	
January 4	Jamie Gravely, Freddie Duncan	
January 11	Adam & Keni Kelly	
<b>Grounds Patrol</b>		
December 7	Travis Crenshaw, Adam Kelly, Blake Kelly	
December 14	Freddie Duncan, Benji Atkins, Bradley Johnson	
December 21	Ronnie Alexander, Greg Page, David Cassell	
December 28	Mike Williams, Scott Childs, James Lesley	
January 4	Charles Taylor, Roy Seawright, Tim Fuller	
January 11	Will Trotter, Wayne Pace, David Lockee	

### December Birthdays

- 2 Junior Seawright
- 3 Marie Koth Marie Pace
- 5 Lauren Esuary Deloris Quaills Caleb Davis
- 9 Elijah Bryant Marissa Tate
- 10 Shane Winchester Arthur Hayes
- 13 Allison Winchester
- 14 Roberta Stewart Wendy Sanders
- 7 Randy Hughes
- 18 Chris Whitlock Joyce Gillespie
- 21 Greg Crisp Maggie Newton
- Naomi Holder
- 25 Lilly Esuary Joel Pritchett
- 26 Travis Williams
- 31 Tommy McCullough

## Preschool Volunteers December 7

10:45AM Tanner Smith, Brandy Hullett6:00PM Jessica Evitt, Kayla Rampey

#### December 14

10:45AM Lisa Howard, Jennifer Garrett6:00PM Angie Alexander, Marissa Tate

#### **December 21**

10:45AM Sarah Catherine Keuber, Mary Ann Bowen

6:00PM Belinda Alexander

#### December 28

10:45AM Peggy Hughes, Tammy Kelly

6:00PM Khristie Tate

#### KidVenture every Wednesday at 6:30 PM!

For more info., contact Wanda Duncan NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 is permitted to pick up

children from the Preschool Department

#### **Children's Church Volunteers**

December 7 Amy Fuller

December 14 Belinda Alexander

December 21 Keni Kelly

December 28 Peggy Hughes, Tammy Hughes

# Children's Ministry (K5-5th grade) Welcome to all Our Children!

All BRV Kids meetings and events take place in the newest building, 1st floor

BRV Kids meet for:

Sunday School at 9:45 AM Children's Church at 10:45 AM (K5-3rd grade) Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM

BRV Kids is using the BAND app for upcoming events, pictures, notifications, and more! If you would like to be added, you can contain

notifications, and more! If you would like to be added, you can contact Keni Kelly or sign up using the QR code below.

We would love to have volunteers! If you are interested in helping with music, games, crafts, snacks, special events, outreach or teaching, please contact Keni Kelly.

