

EVANGEL

(Disciples of Christ)

March 2019

MISSION STATEMENT

- Bridging Our church family with our neighbors
- ❖ Building Ministries to serve
- ❖ Becoming Disciples for Christ.

VISION STATEMENT

❖ We strive to be a church where people are spiritually healed, joy reigns, and the love of God is shared.

IDENTITY STATEMENT of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

"We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us."

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 9am - 3pm Rev. Rachel Scott Woodall, Senior Minister Juliette Canada, Office Manager Rob Peterman, Choir Director

> Sunday School 9:30am Worship 11:00am

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Sunday Services

Sunday School 9:30am

Worship 11:00am



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday March 6th

Day Light Savings time begins Sunday, March 10! Spring forward!

March 24th
Please join us
Immediately after church
light lunch
In recognition of Rachel's
last Sunday at BPCC

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 21 Come join us in WORSHIP 11:00 am

He is Risen!

Living the Good News

When faced with moving, we are often reminded of Abraham and Sarah responding to God's call to pick up everything and move to a totally unknown area. Genesis tells us of their obedience but not of how hard it must have been for them to leave. It can't have been easy because we do know that God keeps reminding them of the promise to them throughout their journey. The Bible also reminds us that God never left them even when life circumstances got shaky. God has continued to bless their descendants and the world through their faithfulness.

As I prepare to move at the end of March, I think of how much I have been blessed by saying yes to moving here and working together with you in ministry. I have experienced such joy, beauty, love, kindness, fullness of life here with you and I am so grateful. It would take up too much space to share how much I value the gift of each one of you. I thank you for calling me here and sharing your lives with me. Each of you will always continue to be with me as my journey moves forward to a new place.

In going, I hope that you will continue to pray for me and for my family. Your prayers truly make a difference. I will also keep you in my prayers. I pray that you will continue to offer Christ's love in all you do and that you will have joy in your relationship with God. I pray that you will work together as the one body of Christ, in respect and harmony with each other. I pray that God will bless and multiply the ministry of Battery Park Christian Church.

My last Sunday will be March 24. I hope you will be present that Sunday if possible and that you can stay for a light lunch afterwards. If you can't, know that you are loved and missed.

God bless you all in love!

Rachel



We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Rawley Lukhard, the son of Miriam and Herman Lukhard and brother of Miriam Vaughan who died this past Thursday, February 7.



We are also praying for Winnie Bobbio's sister Wanda Fulton and her family.

PRAYING AHEAD.. UPCOMING SCRIPTURES

March 3 Luke 9:28-36

March 10 Luke 4:1-13

March 17 Luke 9:37-45

March 24 Luke 13:1-9

March 31 Guest preacher

Average Attendances:

2019

January –37

March
May

June

July –

September

November

February- 36

April
August –

October –

December-

SAVE THE DATES:

Disciples Women of America 2019 Spa DaysRegistration Fee: \$20.00

This supports Disciples Women's Ministry in Virginia, workshop materials and lunch. The deadline to register is March 10, 2019.

Sunday, March 23, 2019: Registration table opens at 9:30

Slash Christian Church, 11353 Mount Herman Road Ashland, Virginia, 23005, Phone (804) 798-4520 Hostess: Madelyn Logan (804) 550-7708

Rachel will have a Cuba presentation as a part of this experience.

Also

Woman's Retreat
May 31 – June 2, 2019
Rachel will also have her Cuba
presentation.
Sponsored by:
Olive Branch Christian Church
(757) 566-8077
Price Single \$170
Double \$155



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



March

Each week during the year, we "spotlight" a homebound member. During the week, remember to send that member a card, write a note, or make a phone call. Let them know how much they are missed!

3/3	Mrs. Dorothy Dillard		
	1600 Westbrook Ave., PHC 9149		
	Richmond, VA 23227		

3/10	Mr. Bill Gotthardt
	7080 Brook Farm Road, Room 125
	Mechanicsville, VA 23111

3/17	Mrs. Betty Land
	7300 Forest Av., #324A
	Richmond, VA 23226

3/24 Mrs. Lillie Adams 7080 Brook Farm Road, Room 124 Mechanicsville, VA 23111

3/31 Mrs. Lois Cosby 1600 Westbrook Ave., PHC9210 Richmond, VA 23227

March

Aquamarine, the **birthstone** of **March**, has a rich color and has long been a symbol of youth, health and hope. Its mesmerizing color ranges from pale to deep blue and are reminiscent of the sea.

Carolyn Garthright	2
Joshua Ice	2
Laura Wagner	4
Jeff Bobbio	8
Bill Nuckolls	10
Sam Marsh	12
Trinity Carr	16
Skip Stockdon, Jr.	16
Elinor Richardson	17
Lisa Nuckolls	18
Stephanie Richardson	19
Melissa Seiler	22
Dylan Garthright	23
Cheryl Williams	27
Tim Williams	29

A perfect **birthstone** for **March**, the Aquamarine creates a beautiful accent to spring and summer wardrobes.

This gem reflects the glory of our Creator as do our March birth honorees. We thank God for you.

There are several of our members who aren't able to attend on a regular basis who are not on this list, but are in our thoughts and prayers. Let them know as well that we are thinking of them.

If you have been unable to come to church and want to be added to our homebound list, please let the church office or the Elders know. We miss and pray for everyone who is unable to make it to church.

It's time to order your 2019 Easter Flowers

Orders for Easter flowers will be taken on **March 10, 17, and 24**. The Worship Department would like to make lilies, hydrangea, and geranium available this year. **You must have your orders in by Wednesday, March 27.**

Please make checks payable to <u>Battery Park Christian Church</u>. To ensure that orders do not go astray, the order form and your payment should either be given to Vivian Palmore or turned in to the church office, envelopes should be marked: "Easter Flowers, Attention: Vivian Palmore".

Lilies – 6.5" pot	\$11.50	Number give	n
Hydrangea – 6.5" pot White	\$20.00 Blue/Lavender	Number give	n
Geranium – 6.5" pot Deep Fuchsia	\$9.00	Number give	n
The flowers are given in hon-	or of		
The flowers are given in mer	mory of		
Name and phone number of	Giver		
☐ Pick up after se	ervice on April 21		Donate to shut-in





2am March 10, 2019 turn your clocks forward!



Souper Bowl Win!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Souper Bowl Challenge We supported the Patriots with \$80, the Rams with \$72 and the Don't Know/Don't Care pot had \$43 in it. That's a total of \$195 going to Feed More! Thanks for your contributions. You are the true winners!

Hands For Prayer



Prayer Vigil

Thank you to everyone that will be joining in praying on Monday, March 18! Contact the church office to add your name to the list. The time slots are 30 minutes each and you can pray anywhere.



WORSHIP FLOWERS

There are lots of dates unfilled for 2019 on our flower calendar. Please help by donating flowers for the low price of \$33 for at least one Sunday, but perhaps more. You can give the flowers in honor or memory of a loved one and take them home to beautify your home that week, or ask that they be taken to someone who would enjoy them.

Evangel Deadline Articles for the April 2017 Evangel must be in the office by

Wednesday, March 20.

Please turn in articles or call church office (266-3973) by that date. Articles can also be e-mailed to office at bpcc.office@verizon.net.

Rev. William Spangler-Dunning named new regional minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Virginia.

The new regional minister in Virginia, Rev. Bill Spangler-Dunning, was named at the Regional Administrative Council meeting in Lynchburg, VA on Saturday, February 9, 2019. Bill Spangler-Dunning is well known to many in the regional and general church as he comes to Virginia having served for the past ten years as Regional Minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the Upper Midwest. Spangler-Dunning will not begin his duties with us until August 19, 2019. He will be very busy until then, as he continues preparations for the General Assembly which will be held in Des Moines, Iowa (in the Upper Midwest) in July.

Rev. Spangler-Dunning is married to Rev. Amy Spangler-Dunning and together they have a son, Tristan Spangler-Dunning. Amy grew up in Richmond Virginia and is both an Ordained Minister (Lexington Theological Seminary) as well as a Licensed Mental Health Counselor



(Masters from Drake University). Tristan is a sophomore at Chapman University in Orange California. Rev. Spangler-Dunning graduated from Culver-Stockton College and obtained his MDiv at Lexington Theological Seminary.

Spangler-Dunning served as a student minister in Midway, MO and in Frankford, KY. Following graduation from seminary he served as youth minister at First Christian Church in Glasgow, KY and in a Three-person Team Ministry at First Christian Church in Owensboro, KY. He fell in love with the gathering focus of Regional Ministry when he was allowed to serve as the West Area Youth Coordinator in Western Kentucky. This experience led to a call to become the Associate Regional Minister for Youth, Camp and Conference Center ministry in his home Region, The Christian Church in the Upper Midwest. After 8 ½ years in that role he was called to serve as Regional Minister for the past 10 years.

Spangler-Dunning brings a love of Regional Ministry and a belief that God provides enough in the community to change the world together. His approach and focus in Regional Ministry is to gather and connect the people of the region and build relationships between one another. "I love to encourage churches and individuals to follow their passions in ministry," says Spangler-Dunning. Bill focuses on a permission giving/blessing in his role as Regional Minister. He further explained, "I believe that if we are able to find our way toward real wholeness, then, as the Body of Christ, new ministries will arise." He calls this way of being church – Disciples Together. Bill looks forward to being "Disciples Together" with us and hearing the stories of Virginia congregations and their members as he begins ministry with us in August of 2019.

CRAIG SPRINGS 2019 CAMP SCHEDULE If you register before May 15 Save \$40.00 plus get a free T-Shirt!

Craig Springs Camp & Retreat

Registration must be post marked no later than the deadline of May 15 to receive the early registration discount.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Camp</u>	Total by May 15	Total after May 15
June 24-28	Nature Camp	\$335	\$335
June 30-July 5	Special Camp	\$335	\$335
July 8-13	AMPDD Camp	\$347	\$387
July 14-19	First Triple	\$347	\$387
July 28-Aug 2	Second Triple	\$347	\$387
August 4-9	New Covenant	\$347	\$347
August 9-12	*Family Retreat	\$75 per adult, \$50 for und	er 18, free for 5 years and under.

By May 15th \$75 per adult, \$50 under 18, free 5 years and under. After May 15th \$100 per adult, \$75 under 18, \$25 5 years and under

\$25 DISCOUNT

For campers attending more than one weelk-long event.
 AND/OR

2. If you have more than one child attending a week-long camping event, each additional child receives a \$25 discount.

SAVE \$40.00

If you register before May 15

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