

# The Towers Newsletter

216 North Main Street, Suffolk VA 23434

Website: [www.suffolkchristian.org](http://www.suffolkchristian.org)

April 2023



I hope the Lenten season has been meaningful to you as we have taken a deep dive into the topic of forgiveness. I pray that you will continue to find hope, peace and release as we continue the spiritual practices of seeking forgiveness from God and others and forgiving others and ourselves. As we move into the Easter season, may we remember that it is God who initiates relationship with us, loving us, forgiving us, and empowering us to be God's people.

Please plan to join us as we move into Holy Week and Easter. We'll begin Holy Week with the Main Street Palm Sunday procession at 9:30 a.m. with our Main Street brothers and sisters. After worship, we'll enjoy a pot-luck lunch on the grounds and an Easter egg hunt for our children. On Thursday evening we will experience one of the most meaningful services of the church year, the reenactment of the Lord's Supper. On Saturday the youth will lead us in our annual vigil at 8:00 p.m. Then, of course, we will gather on Easter Sunday to celebrate the resurrection. Each service will give us a deeper understanding of who God is and who God is calling us to be as Christ followers. I look forward to seeing you there.

Finally, please continue to pray for our church as we continue to move through the transition process. Pray that God will unite us in common purpose and that God will lead the search team to the pastor that God has been preparing to lead us into the next chapter of our story.

Until then, I'm on the journey with you,

Tracy



**You may now watch our service LIVE Sunday mornings!**

Go to: [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com)

Suffolk Christian Live Worship / Subscribe

**You also find us on:**

[www.suffolkchristian.org](http://www.suffolkchristian.org)

Facebook

## Reporting on missions



April's **Yellow Envelope** Mission: SCC Scholarship Fund

The funds donated this month will enable the Scholarship Committee to once again award a Suffolk Christian Church Scholarship to someone from within our church, pursuing higher education in the fall. In the past our members have given generously to this scholarship fund so that financial assistance can be offered to one of our very special young people. We thank you so much for supporting this unique opportunity to encourage our youth as they seek to further their education.



**January 2023** - Church Family Assistance - \$1,108.00  
**February 2023** - Coats for Community - \$865.00  
**March 2023** - Western Tidewater Free Clinic - \$772.00

## Stewardship Report

*"We are Walking by Faith through Commitment"*

**January - February 2023 - \$39,825.20**

**January - February 2023 - \$40,850.42**

**Dollars for Supply & Multiply - \$1,943.48**



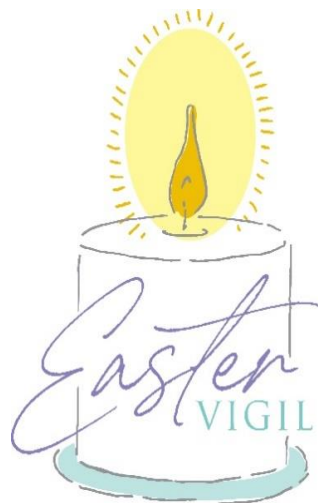
**Donations to the Memorial Garden Fund in memory of Mary Elizabeth Parker have been given by Myrtle Ann Mountcastle, Dottie H. Scott, Calvin and Evelyn Jones**

**A donation to the Night Stay Ministry in honor of Priscilla Bunch and her team for their preparation of food in feeding the homeless has been given by Judy Twiford**

**Donations to the Mary Virginia March Scholarship Fund in memory of Lloyd Charles "Chuck" March, III have been given by Don and Shirley Moorehead, Helen Jeanne Christy, Charlie and Donna Henderson, Rev. Linda J. Lauman, John and Janet Nemish, Martha Moore Turner and Peggy Moore, William "Billy" Chorey**

**Saturday**

**April 8<sup>th</sup>**



All school – participate in our annual Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 8th. The students will meet at **4:30 pm** in the Conference room to prepare for the service. Dinner will be served to the students. The congregation is invited to attend the Vigil at **8:00 pm**. This is always a very moving service so we hope you will attend. Please let Sean Bilby or Priscilla Bunch know if your students will be attending so we can make sure we have enough food for dinner.



The Board of Christian Education will be sponsoring our annual Easter Egg Hunt @ 12:45pm on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. The community is invited to attend the hunt. Invite your friends to come with you.

**Friday**



April 14<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup> – 6:45pm



## Palm Sunday Potluck

April 02, 2023

The Board of Christian Education will be sponsoring our annual potluck luncheon on Sunday, April 2nd, immediately following our 11:00 am worship service. The board will be providing fried chicken and beverages. We ask you to bring a side dish/dessert to share with others. If you are planning to attend, please sign up on the bulletin board outside of the church office.



The following scholarship applications are

now available in the church office: the David A. And Dorothy W. Darden and Family Scholarship, the Glen L. and Sara A. Heuberger Scholarship, the Z. Turner Family Memorial Scholarship, the Suffolk Christian Church Elon University Scholarship, the Mary Virginia March Memorial Scholarship, the Dr. W.W. Staley Scholarship, and the Suffolk Christian Church Special Mission Scholarship. Please visit the church office to pick up applications or call 757-539-9182. Applications must be submitted by May 16<sup>th</sup>.



*Happy Easter from the Staff*

**Maundy Thursday Service**

**Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> - 7:30 pm**



*Come join us and witness a live dramatic re-enactment of The Last Supper, followed by Holy Communion.*

**SKIP AHEAD TO VBS 2023**

**TWISTS & TURNS**

PLACE	Suffolk Christian Church
DATE	Sunday, June 25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup>
TIME	5:30 pm Dinner 6:00 – 8:00 pm VBS

© 2022 Lifeway • Printed in USA

**It's that time of the year to prepare for Vacation Bible School. Please pray about how you can help with VBS this year. Invite your friends to come with you! It will be a fun time of fellowship and learning about Peter and how Jesus is for Everyone. Mark your calendars now!!**



Day 1:	Matthew 20:18-19	Day 16:	Luke 24:5-7
Day 2:	Matthew 28:5-7	Day 17:	Luke 23:46-47
Day 3:	I Peter 1:3	Day 18:	I Corinthians 1:18
Day 4:	Isaiah 53:5	Day 19:	I Corinthians 15:3-4
Day 5:	Acts 3:15	Day 20:	I Corinthians 15:20-21
Day 6:	Romans 5:8	Day 21:	2 Corinthians 5:17
Day 7:	Romans 6:8-11	Day 22:	John 1:29
Day 8:	Romans 8:11	Day 23:	John 3:16
Day 9:	Romans 10:9	Day 24:	John 12:46
Day 10:	I Thessalonians 5:10	Day 25:	John 11:25-26
Day 11:	Titus 3:5	Day 26:	John 14:27
Day 12:	I John 4:19	Day 27:	Mark 16:1-4
Day 13:	I John 5:11	Day 28:	Mark 16:5-6
Day 14:	Job 19:25	Day 29:	Acts 2:24
Day 15:	Philippians 2:8	Day 30:	Colossians 1:13-14

Commit each day to reading your bible for at least 10 minutes and reflect on the scripture means to you.



Kasey Banton	April 1
Matthew Grandy, Jr.	April 2
Christine Burden	April 5
Orin Reams	April 7
Wendy Blausey	April 8
Charles Rawls Jr.	April 11
April Fleming	April 12
Jeanie Baines	April 12
Bev Gayle	April 14
Diana McBride	April 14
Maggie Copeland	April 16
Bill Hannah	April 17
Becky Bradshaw	April 17
Noelle Grandy	April 17
Vicki Martin	April 18
Lisa McLaughlin	April 18
Gwynne Nemish	April 18
Jim Goben	April 19
Kirk Alexander	April 23
Priscilla Bunch	April 23
Ginny Thomas	April 25
Benita Rhodes	April 25
Mary Huber	April 28
Sherrill Roberts	April 28
Eric Bunch	April 29


## Thanks

*From: Colleen Britton,  
(recipient of Veterans of the Cross  
offering)  
Dear, Dear Friends of Suffolk  
Christian Church,  
I am deeply grateful to you for  
continuing to remember Tom and me  
after so many years, and expressing  
those memories with a generous  
check. You must know that is most  
welcomed. Tom cherished his time  
with you. He must smile to know his  
sermons are remembered. Again,  
thank you for all you've done and  
are continuing to do for us. May God  
bless you and help you always.  
 Lovingly,  
 Colleen*

Dear Suffolk Christian Church Family,  
Thank you for the many meals, phone calls,  
cards and especially your prayers for us over  
the last few months. Every kindness is greatly  
appreciated, and you certainly showered us  
with Christian love. Blessings on each of you  
during this Lent and Easter season!  
Janet and Richard Rock



# April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2 9:30am Palm Sunday procession 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Sunday Service 12:00pm Palm Sunday Potluck 12:45pm Easter Egg Hunt 4:00pm Reformation Pres. Church	3	4 1:00pm Saints Alive 7:00pm Lord's Supper practice	5 10:00 God of the Way Book study 7:00 Music committee 7:00 Board of Christian Education 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous	6 10:00am Thursday Crafters 6:45pm Chancel Handbell Choir 7:30pm Maundy Thurs. Service 8:30pm Chancel Choir	 Good Friday	8 Easter Vigil (see newsletter for more information)
9 9:30am King's Ringers 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Sunday Service 4:00pm Reformation Pres. Church  Easter Sunday	10	11 1:00pm Saints Alive 3:00 Food Pantry	12 10:00 God of the Way Book study 6:00 Reformation Pres. Church 6:30pm Board of Deacon 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous	13 10:00am Thursday Crafters 6:45pm Chancel Handbell Choir 7:30pm Chancel Choir	14 6:45pm Game Night	15
16 9:30am King's Ringers 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Sunday Service 4:00pm Reformation Pres. Church	17 7:00pm HOW, Exec. board, Finance meeting	18 12:00pm Saints Alive Potluck 3:00 Food Pantry	19 6:30pm Board of Finance 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous	20 10:00am Thursday Crafters 6:45pm Chancel Handbell Choir 7:30pm Chancel Choir	21	22
23 9:30am King's Ringers 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Sunday Service 4:00pm Reformation Pres. Church	24	25 1:00pm Saints Alive 3:00 Food Pantry	26 6:00 Reformation Pres. Church 6:30pm HOW meeting 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous	27 10:00am Thursday Crafters 6:45pm Chancel Handbell Choir 7:30pm Chancel Choir	28 6:45pm Game Night	29 
30 9:30am King's Ringers 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Sunday Service 4:00pm Reformation Pres. Church						