

The Towers Newsletter

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Pastor's Column

THANK YOU!

Thank you to Priscilla, the Board of Christian Education, and all of the volunteers who worked so hard to make VBS a great success this week. We trust that God has been at work in the hearts of the children who attended, and we hope that this ministry will bring new faces to our family of faith.



Summer
Sermon Series "Enough"

In worship over the next four weeks, we will be examining the topic "Enough." Here is the schedule, plan to join us as often as you can:

June 25 th :	Is God Enough? (Catch up on You Tube if you missed it!)
July 2 nd	Am I Enough/Are We Enough?
July 9 th	How Much is Enough?
July 16 th	When Enough is Enough

Invite a friend to join you for worship!

Please continue to pray for the Pastor Search Team and for the candidate that God is calling to be our next pastor. (Please see the update from the search team in the newsletter). We have been praying for this person for many months, and I remain confident that God will reveal him/her to us in just the right time. In the meantime, I'm on the journey with you,

Tracy



You may now watch our service LIVE Sunday mornings!

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The Board of Deacons Reports.....from the June 14, 2023 Meeting

*A letter from Wayne Cook was read, thanking SCC for allowing him to play the organ at the concert in May.

*A report was given on the Food Pantry. The goal is to add more items to what is distributed on Tuesdays. Some items will be added to the bags that are given away and some will be placed on a table for the recipients to take as needed.

*The Yellow Envelope Mission for July will be the Crisis Pregnancy Center and August, the Genieve Shelter.

*The Board spent a large part of this meeting in final review of the church constitution. It is the goal to present it to the congregation soon, to lie on the table for 90 days. Hopefully, we will be able to vote on the changes at our October church conference.

*Training is being planned for various people to be able to update the church website.

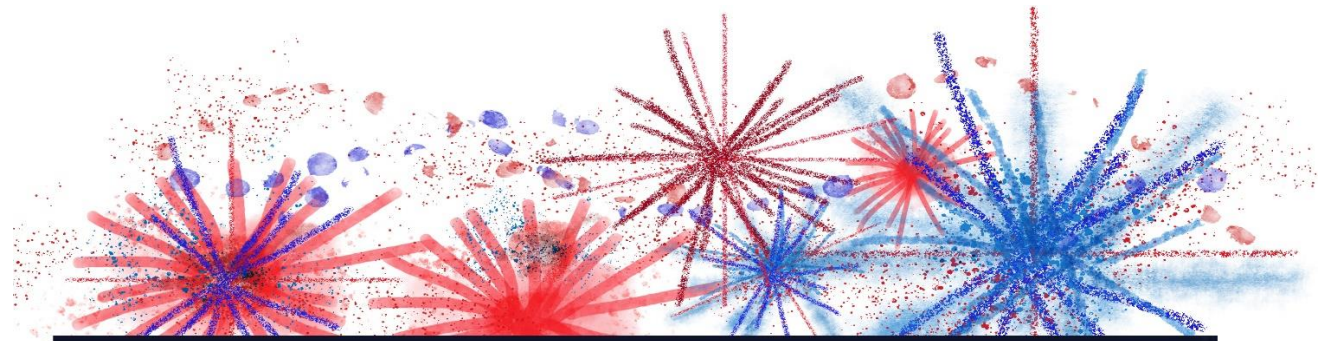
*The Board of Deacons agreed to host a VBS meal.

*A new SCC representative to CAPS is needed. If anyone is interested, please let someone on the Board know.

*The Board will not meet in July.

Any questions please contact Alan Garner, Chair # 757-630-8651

email: wakefieldpharmacy@verizon.net



Reporting on Missions....



July's **Yellow** Envelope Mission: CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER

The mission we are supporting for the month of July is the Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater. This organization is all about saving lives, sparing hearts and spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. This Christ centered group has a calling to reach out to women and families involved in crisis-related pregnancies by offering real help for the present, hope for the future, and healing from the past. There is a center in Suffolk located at 302 N. Main St. All donations go to supporting moms, dads and babies. Financial support for this ministry is raised entirely through private funding and donations. CPC does not receive any monetary assistance from the government. We hope you will support this worthy mission.



January 2023 - Church Family Assistance - \$1,108.00
February 2023 - Coats for Community - \$865.00
March 2023 - Western Tidewater Free Clinic - \$862.00
April 2023 - SCC Scholarship Fund - \$1,567.00
May 2023 - Tornado and Storm Damage - \$923.00
June 2023 - Meals on Wheels - \$575.00



A donation to the SCC Scholarship Fund in memory of Shirley H. Talbert has been given by the West Memorial Bible Class

A donation to honor Curtiss and Betty Johnson on their 40th Anniversary has been given by Carl and Denise Farris

Stewardship Report

"We are Walking by Faith through Commitment"

January - May 2023 income - \$105,859.72

January - May 2023 expenses - \$103,014.11

Dollars for Supply & Multiply - \$2,119.48



FROM THE PRAYER TEAM.....

*Please don't forget to call the church office if you or a loved one is in need of prayer or a pastoral visit. When you call, please give the office staff permission to place your name on the Sunday prayer list if that is your wish.

*If you or a loved one is in need of emergency prayer, you may ask for a call or email to go out with that request. Those calls/emails are made when the family asks and gives their permission to do so.

*If you or your loved one has recovered, please also call in and have your name removed from the list. If you desire, your recovery can be listed as a praise in the Prayer Guide, again with your permission.

*Please remember to take your Sunday Prayer Guide home with you and pray throughout the week for those who have requested it.

"Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much." James 5:16

Searching for a **New** Pastor



Update from Pastoral Search Team... The search team has conducted several in depth interviews, but none of the candidates has been the one that God is calling. We have two candidates that we will interview in the very near future! The search team has expanded the search options available on the internet, however, the pool of candidates remains small! Please pray with us for guidance, perseverance and continuing faith that God's will be done!



Children's Wednesday Morning



July 12th, 19th, and 26th

10:00 am – 12:00 noon

The children had a blast last summer with Wednesday morning bible study. We will have Wednesday morning bible study time for children from beginning **kindergarten** – to completing **5th grade**. We will have a bible story, craft, snack, game time, and music. This will be based on a mini VBS each week. Come join us! Please contact Priscilla Bunch if you have any questions. Please let Priscilla know if your children will be attending. Parents: You are more than welcome to drop your child or children off and enjoy some "free" time to yourself.

Game Night for Everyone

Everyone is invited to come to Game Night on Fridays @ 6:45 pm in the Saints Alive. This is a great time of fun and fellowship.

We will meet on July 7th and 21st.



You are invited to come to Saints Alive in the Saints Alive room on the 1st floor. They play card games and always welcome others to come to share in the fun and fellowship.

Saints Alive meet every Tuesday @ 1:00 pm. On the 3rd Tuesday, they meet @ noon for lunch. Come and join us!!



Food Pantry Needs

The little red wagon will be at the North entrance every first Sunday for food pantry donations. Below is a revised list of needed items:

Food Pantry Needs - Applesauce (Individual Cups); Canned fruit, Snacks (Granola Bars, Nabs, Individual Packs of Nuts), Oatmeal (Individual Servings), Pop Tarts; Small boxes of cereal, Noodles, Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, Macaroni, Rice (1 lb. Bags), Dried Beans, Canned Meats, Canned Vegetables, Macaroni and Cheese, Canned Pasta, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Crackers, Protein Shakes, Boxed Milk, Bottled Water, and Flavor Packets for Water Bottles.



Jackson Conner Harry graduated from Nansemond River High School as an Honor Graduate. He is the son of Jennifer & J. C. “Corky” Harry.

William G. “Quint” Saunders, V graduated from Windsor High School as an Honor Graduate. He is the son of Holly & William Saunders. Quint plans to attend East Carolina University in the fall majoring in Atmospheric Science.

Jennifer Nicole Hott had her Nursing pinning Ceremony on February 25, 2023, through ECPI and passed her state boards on March 23, 2023, to become a Licensed Registered Nurse. She is currently attending Regent University for her Bachelor of Science in Nursing while she is employed at Sentara. Jennifer is the daughter of Amy & Glenn Hott.

Prayer for Our Graduates

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for keeping them during this season of intense study. I believe that You have watched over them this far because You have a great plan for their lives, and You want them to excel in all that they do. I know Lord, that Your thoughts are to give them a future and hope. So, we pray that You will grant them according to their heart’s desire. We commit their futures to You and thank You for the success they will achieve, Amen.



Shannon Griffin	July 2
Myrtle Etheridge	July 3
Becky Sharrett	July 3
Beth Barnett	July 5
John "J.M." Nemish Jr.	July 5
Donald Bracy	July 5
Charlotte Parr	July 5
Jennifer Worrell	July 6
Shaun Allen	July 8
Erin Matthews	July 9
Glenn Hott Jr.	July 10
David Ascher	July 11
Elton Bailey	July 11
Christine Young	July 13
Helen Johnson	July 13
Beth Simpkins	July 18
Alan Garner	July 20
Emily King	July 20
Janet Simmons	July 20
Debbie Munn	July 22
Curtiss Johnson	July 23
Edie Matthews	July 23
Steven Thorsen	July 26
Justin Topping	July 26
Gary Munn	July 27
Will Rhodes	July 28
Sarah Rhodes	July 28
Josh Worrell	July 29
Robert Boyce	July 29
Alex Joyner	July 31



Dear Church Members,

My "thank you" seems so small compared to all you did while I was healing and trying to get back on my feet. Your thoughtful visits, cards, calls, flowers sent, and food were heartfelt and each kind deed touched my heart.

Mack and I will always be grateful to you for your thoughtfulness.

In Christian love,
Brenda

Thank You

We received a "Thank You" note from the Western Tidewater Free Clinic for our donation of \$862.00. They were our special mission focus for March.

"Thank you for selecting WTFC for your monthly mission and for choosing to change our patients' lives with this gift."

Sincerely,
Ashley O. Greene
Executive Director



2023 Scholarship Recipients

Conner Blausey is the recipient of the Mary Virginia March Scholarship and the W.W. Staley Scholarship. Conner is a sophomore at Hampden-Sydney College.

Taylor Cherry is the recipient of the Suffolk Christian Church Elon University Scholarship. Taylor is a junior at Elon University.

Margaret Copeland is the recipient of the Suffolk Christian Church Special Mission Scholarship. Maggie is a senior at the University of Mary Washington.

Nathan Wilson is the recipient of the Glen L. and Sara A. Heuberger Scholarship. Nathan is a junior at Old Dominion University.

Phoebe Bilby is the recipient of the Z. Turner Family Memorial Scholarship. Phoebe is a senior at Longwood University.

We wish all of our students much happiness and success!



Day 1:	Isaiah 40:29-31	Day 16:	Psalms 103:2-5
Day 2:	Isaiah 43:2	Day 17:	John 8:36
Day 3:	Isaiah 54:10	Day 18:	John 10:10
Day 4:	Isaiah 54:17	Day 19:	John 14:13-16
Day 5:	Isaiah 61:1	Day 20:	Luke 11:9-13
Day 6 :	Exodus 14:14	Day 21:	Matthew 6:31-33
Day 7:	2 Corinthians 4:17-18	Day 22:	Proverbs 3:5-6
Day 8:	2 Chronicles 7:14	Day 23:	Romans 10:9-10
Day 9:	James 1:5	Day 24:	Revelation 2:7
Day 10:	James 4:7	Day 25:	Revelation 3:5
Day 11:	Philippians 4:19	Day 26:	Deuteronomy 31:8
Day 12:	Psalms 18:3	Day 27:	1 Peter 4:1-2
Day 13:	Psalms 19:7	Day 28:	Colossians 3:3-4
Day 14:	Psalms 37:4	Day 29:	Malachi 3:10
Day 15:	John 3:36	Day 30:	Ephesians 3:16-19
		Day 31:	2 Samuel 7:28

Commit to reading the scripture each day and meditate on what the scripture means to you. The scripture above is some of God's Promises.



JULY 2023

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

<p>Summer Series: "Enough" June 25–July 16 11:00am</p>						<p>1</p>
<p>2</p> <p>10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Sunday Service— (Summer Series: "Enough") 4:00pm Reformed Pres. Church</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:00am Thursday Crafters 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Game night 6:45pm</p>	<p>8</p>
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<p>23</p> <p>10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Sunday Service 4:00pm Reformed Pres. Church</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>1:00 Saints Alive 3:00 Food Pantry</p>	<p>26</p> <p>6:00pm Reformation Pres. Church 6:30 HOW meeting 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous</p>	<p>27</p> <p>10:00am Thursday Crafters 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>
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