

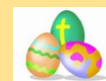
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March 2018 Newsletter

Looking Ahead ...

Bible Study – We continue our journey through the Gospel of Mark, Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

Children's Easter Celebration – Saturday, March 24, 2:00-4:00 p.m.



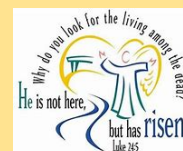
Palm/Passion Sunday – Sunday, March 25, 10:30 a.m.



Good Friday Service – Friday, March 30, 7:00 p.m.



Easter Sunday Brunch – 9:15 a.m. (NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY)



Easter Worship and Communion – Sunday, April 1, 10:30 a.m.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Roy & Anne Tucker

Roy Felton Tucker was born on June 28, 1937 to James W. Tucker and Helen Susie Worrell at Riverside Hospital in

Newport News, VA. He attended Armstrong Elementary School, Wythe Junior High, and Hampton High School. During some of those years, he worked as a bag boy for Colonial Stores at Wythe Shopping Center and had a paper route for the Daily Press in the Wythe area for many years. He had a pet dog named Spunky that helped him deliver newspapers every morning.

His siblings were Betty Tucker (Cole), Anne Tucker (Pederson), and Jimmy Tucker, Jr. Some of his favorite memories are going to Buckroe Beach with friends and Anne, and going to see movies with Warren and Sonny, long-time special friends. After graduation from high school, Roy began working for the Noland Company. He also served in the U.S. Army at Fort Dix, New Jersey for 6 months, as well as 6 years in the Army Reserves. Roy retired after 45 years of service with Noland.

Virginia Anne Clodfelter was born on November 21, 1940 to Clarence Lee Clodfelter and Virginia Kent Yeatts at Watts Hospital in Durham, North Carolina. At the age of two, her family moved to Hampton, VA. She attended Mrs. Porter's Kindergarten for one year, after which she attended Wythe Elementary School, Wythe Junior High, and Hampton High School. Her siblings are an older brother, Clarence, and sister, Jean Clodfelter Gulick.

While in high school, Anne and Roy began dating. They both attended Chestnut Avenue

Methodist Church, and sat in the balcony together along with other friends. Anne says their first date was going together to practice for the Christmas Pageant at their church, and their first *REAL* date was to the Noland Company Christmas Party on the rooftop of the Chamberlin Hotel. She went to Westhampton College, but continued to come home from Richmond at every opportunity. Her brother also attended MCV there and had a car, which was convenient for her. During her junior and senior years, he would lend her the car to travel back and forth. Conveniently enough, Clarence was dating his future wife up there, and she also had a car. She remembers fondly these many road trips to Hampton.

Anne and Roy became engaged when she graduated from college and were married on October 27, 1962, at Chestnut Avenue Methodist Church. Michael, their first son, was born in 1963. Not long after that, they moved to Charlottesville and, in 1966, they relocated to Augusta, Georgia where Lee, their second son, was born. Roy was transferred to the Corporate Office of Noland Co. in Newport News in 1972, to their delight since both of their families and many friends were here. Anne worked as a science teacher in Hampton for many years.

They joined Bethany in 1972 and have been very active here ever since. Roy has served as chair of the Church Council, Church Treasurer for many years, Easter Egg chair, member of the Staff/Pastor Parish Committee, Trustee, President of the Wesley Class, Treasurer of United Methodist Men, chairman of the annual Wesley Class Spaghetti Dinner, and also Co-Chair of the Pumpkin Patch. Anne has served on the Altar Guild, as Worship Chair, Usher, Pumpkin Patch Chair, member and part-time teacher of the Wesley Class, Social Chairman of the Wesley Class, member of Staff/Pastor Parrish Committee, Crafts committee, co-chair of Spaghetti Dinners, and member of the United Methodist Women.

Their son Michael and his wife, Sandi, reside in Leesburg, VA, and have two sons: Matthew resides in Troy, Michigan and works for the Ford Company, and Alex, who is in his last semester at Virginia Tech, will graduate in May with a Civil Engineering Degree. He is in the Corp there and Air Force Reserves and will be commissioned upon his graduation to 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force. Their younger son, Lee, is a Pharmacist Technician at Farm Fresh Pharmacy and lives here in Hampton.

Anne and Roy have been very blessed over the years to travel a great deal, both in the States and abroad. She is a Hampton Master Gardeners member and a Certified Tree Steward. We appreciate very much all of their time and effort over these past 46 years here at Bethany.

~ Pat Smith, Membership Care

Introducing Bethany's Youth Worker –

Amy Bartgis Ryan

Amy was born in Hampton, VA to Jeff and Rene Bartgis. She moved with her family to Smithfield in 1996 where she graduated from high school in 2010. Amy competed in scholarship pageants as a young lady – holding the titles of Miss Isle of Wight County, Miss Peninsula, Miss Williamsburg, and Miss Dominion. She competed in the Miss America system for the title of Miss Virginia three times. Amy attended Christopher Newport University from 2010-2014 where she served on the Student Honor Council and as a Resident Assistant for three years. Amy graduated with a degree in Cellular,



Molecular and Physiological Biology and a service distinction for her 400+ hours of service during her time as a student.

Directly after graduation, Amy began a Master's program at Old Dominion University. During her first year in the program, she served as a graduate assistant in the Center for Honor Enrichment and Community Service at Christopher Newport. In her spring semester, Amy also served as an intern in the Office of University Advancement at Christopher Newport. In the summer of 2015, she was hired as the Annual Fund Manager in the Office of Advancement at CNU. She graduated with a Master's degree in Higher Education and a concentration in Leadership and Administration in May of 2016.

In May of 2016, Amy married Christopher Ryan who she met at Christopher Newport. Chris works as a network engineer at the Newport News Shipyard and serves in the National Guard as a First Lieutenant. In the summer of 2016, Amy was promoted to the Assistant Director of Annual Giving and in 2017 she was promoted to Director of Annual Giving Programs. She now oversees all annual giving campaigns for alumni, parents, faculty and staff at Christopher Newport University, raising over a million dollars a year.

Amy looks forward to growing the Youth program at Bethany. She grew up in the church and in youth group and wants to provide this group opportunities to participate in positive activities that help them grow as a person and grow closer in their relationship with God. She hopes to help to expand their knowledge of the Bible and God's teachings. She also hopes to take them on fun outings they will remember for years to come.

Welcome, Amy!



United Methodist Women

Our next UMW meeting will be Wednesday, March 14, at 10:00 a.m. The program for March will be presented by representatives from Bethany UMC, Smithfield. With support from multiple District churches, they provide lots of support for Henderson Settlement, a part of the Red Bird Mission Project. In 2017 we were able to provide them two sewing machines to take to this mission, plus we made a financial donation. They make the trip close to the end of year so their toys, etc., enhance the Christmas celebration for these folks. All women are welcome and encouraged to join the fellowship we enjoy at our UMW meetings.

~ Jean Lucy

Altar & Narthex Flowers for 2018



Reservations for Altar flowers are still available for these dates:

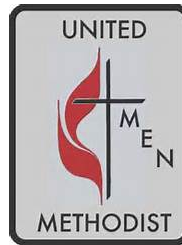
- April 15, April 29
- May 6, 13 and 27
- October 7
- November 11 (Veterans Day)

Reservations for Narthex flowers are available for these dates:

- March 25
- April 15, 22 and 29
- May 6, 13 and 27
- June 3 and 24
- July 8 and 29
- August 5, 12, 19 and 26
- September 9 and 30
- October 7, 14 and 21
- November 4, 11 and 25
- December 9, 16 and 30

Please call the church office. Our florist is Jeff's Flowers and the cost is **\$20.00 each**. Please call the church office for more information and to reserve your request.

March 2018



United Methodist Men

The weather seems to be telling us that spring is just around the corner. As it gets warmer, I would like to encourage all to get outside and just walk. While you are walking, observe the things God has made and the things man has made. Then compare the simplicity and the complexity of each. You will find that doing this will take up your entire walk and enable you to appreciate both even more.

The Bethany United Methodist men are honored to announce that our 2018 Men's Sweetheart is our much-loved Mrs. Pat Frederick. Thank you, Pat, for letting us men call you our sweetheart. We also would like to thank our outgoing sweetheart, Mrs. Pat Smith; she has been a blessing to Bethany and she will continue to be our sweetheart, also.

Men, it's been a very busy first part of 2018 and although we can relax a bit, let's not forget that we still have a **Business Breakfast meeting** on March 10 at 8:00 a.m. and a **Prayer Breakfast** on March 18.

With warm weather comes the time for Yard Sales and the BUMM's have a great one for you on Saturday, **May 5**. Registration will begin on Monday, April 16 in the church office between 4-6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. So, gather your treasures and be ready to choose your site.

Do you need to find out what the men will be doing in the upcoming months? You can easily see our 2018 calendar on Bethany's website under the "About Us" page. Just go online and visit our website at

<https://www.bethanyunitedmethodist.org/>.

Have a Blessed Month,
Jim Chaffin

Do You Need to Be Baptized or Become a Member of Bethany?

If you have not followed the Lord in baptism or joined Bethany UMC, we want to give you an opportunity. Please contact Pastor Suzanne about these important steps in your life's journey with God.



Date: **Sunday, March 4, 2018**

Time: 3:00PM - 5:30PM

Location: Crooks Memorial UMC
(204 Cook Road, Yorktown)

Workshop Leader: Marc Brown
Director of Connectional Ministries

Happy Hearts

Our next meeting will be **Thursday, March 22**, at 11:30 a.m. in Tyler Hall; we will have a covered dish lunch – bring your favorite dish to share. Pam Taylor, Manager at Riverside Home Technology Department at Riverside Regional Hospital, will speak on pro-active safety. See you there!

We so enjoyed having PULSE (Peninsula United Laity Singing Ensemble) with us in February. They were just wonderful!

~ Mary Faulk, 874-3949

About this workshop:

What is unique about Wesleyan Theology?

This workshop will focus on the beliefs structure that provides the foundation for mission and ministry of The United Methodist Church.

See Pastor Suzanne re registration.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

It's time to "Spring Ahead!" Please set your clocks ahead 1 hour on Saturday, March 10 before you go to bed, so that you will be on time for church on March 12, 2017.

Craft Meeting

Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, March 7**, at 10:00 a.m. in the Happy

Hands room. All interested crafters are invited to join us. Call Rita Honeycutt for more information.



Thank-you!

The family of Frank Westerman appreciates the many cards, food, visits, and other acts of kindness during the time of his passing. We are so grateful for the Bethany Family support--visitation, funeral services. These things certainly made it easier during this time. Words cannot express our gratitude; it is such a blessing to be associated with the Bethany "family." Many thanks especially for Pastor Suzanne's visits and support.

Sincerely,

Helen, Carla, and Ed

Thanks to all the ladies who have graciously served in the church office from 9:00 to 1:00 during the last few weeks! (Thank you, Pat Smith, for coordinating!)

~ Pastor Suzanne and the S/PPRC

I thank all of you for your prayers, calls, cards, and other acts of kindness to me these past few weeks. I am definitely feeling better!

~ Pastor Suzanne



We extend Christian love and prayers to:

Betty Marshall and family on the death of her
sister Barbara

John Hatcher and all the family of Rev. Myrtle
Hatcher



March Birthdays

- 1 Willie Bage
- 2 Jeannette O'Hara, Heather McMillan
- 3 Judy Letourneau
- 6 Glenda Adamowski, Terri Rosser
- 7 Sarah Gray, Pete Pederson
- 8 Scott Haigler
- 9 Alwayne Chilcott, Kathryn Freeman
- 11 Elizabeth Higdon
- 15 Pete Chilcott, Stanley Widener
- 18 Faith Belvin
- 20 Pete Simmons
- 23 Kelly Cannon
- 28 Carey Loeser, Delores Garrison
- 30 Iris Wobie

(Note: If you have a March birthday and are not on this list, please let the church office know. Thanks!)

Easter Celebration And Egg Hunt

Bethany United Methodist Church

Saturday, March 24

2-4 PM



The children will listen to the Easter message, make a special craft, enjoy light refreshments, and of course hunt for Easter Eggs.



Please come and bring a friend!!!

We will have a
"BLESSED

TIME" -See you there!!!

MARCH 2018 EVENT CALENDAR

- 4 **2nd Sunday in Lent**
Easter Flower Orders
- 5 Prayer Time – 9:30 a.m.
Bible Study – 10 a.m.
- 6 Lions Club – 12:30 p.m.
AA, 7 p.m.
- 7 Chair & Mat Yoga 4:30 - 6 p.m.
- 8 Handbells – 6:15 p.m.
Chancel Choir – 7 p.m.
Scouts – 7 p.m.
- 10 UMM Business / Breakfast - 8 a.m.
Begin Daylight Savings Time
3/11 - set clocks forward one hour tonight
- 11 **3rd Sunday in Lent**
Easter Flower orders – **Last Day!**
- 12 Prayer Time – 9:30 a.m.
Bible Study – 10 a.m.
- 13 AA, 7 p.m.
- 14 UMW, 10 a.m.
Chair & Mat Yoga 4:30 - 6 p.m.
Alzheimer’s Caregivers Support Group – 6-7:30 p.m.
- 15 Handbells – 6:15 p.m.
Chancel Choir – 7 p.m.
- 16 Lions Club Dinner - 6 p.m. (Wesley)
- 18 **4th Sunday In Lent**
Monthly Prayer Breakfast, 8:30 a.m.
- 19 Trustees – 9:30 a.m.
Prayer Time – 9:30 a.m.
Bible Study – 10 a.m.
- 20 Finance Committee, 6 p.m.
Knitting & Crochet – 6:30 p.m.
Church Council, 7 p.m.
AA, 7 p.m.
- 21 Chair & Mat Yoga 4:30 - 6 p.m.
- 22 **Happy Hearts** – 11:30 a.m. (covered dish lunch; special speaker)
Handbells – 6:15 p.m.
Chancel Choir – 7 p.m.



- 23 Bowen-Lee Wedding, 2 p.m.
- 24 **Children’s Easter Celebration**, 2-4 p.m.

HOLY WEEK

- 25 **PALM / PASSION SUNDAY**
- 26 Prayer Meeting 9:30 a.m.
Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
- 27 AA, 7 p.m.
- 28 Chair & Mat Yoga 4:30 - 6 p.m.
- 29 Handbells – 6:15 p.m.
Chancel Choir – 7 p.m.
Scouts – 7 p.m.
- 30 **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**, 7:00 p.m.

APRIL 2018

- 1 **Easter Brunch**, 9:15 a.m. (Tyler Hall)
- 1 **EASTER WORSHIP**, 10:30 a.m.
- 2 Church Office Closed (Easter Monday)
No Prayer Time or Bible Study today
