

April 2024

Third Presbyterian Church



A Note from the Pastor –

Easter Sunday has come and gone. We enjoyed the service on Sunday, seeing people we have not seen for a while and hearing wonderful Easter music. At home the eggs have all been found and the candy (at least the good stuff) has all been eaten. Yes, we have celebrated Easter but now we are called to be Easter people. We are called to live in the light of the resurrection.

I spoke about this in the sermon on Sunday and shared the suggestions made by Kennedy Lane. Some of you have asked me about them and I decided to share them again in my Pastor's note. How do we live in the light of the resurrection? Lane says there are five actions we can take:

Stop living in routine. Routines can provide comfort, but they also can lead to stagnation. God has created a wonderful world for us to explore and enjoy. Try something new. Allow yourself to be challenged. Don't be afraid to fail. Go out and spend time doing what you like and doing something for yourself and something that brings more light into your life.

Spend more time with others. Ancient Christians believed that the solitary life was a spiritual gift. I am always thankful that is one gift I have not been given. We are made to be in community. We share the light by being with others. Surround yourself with the people that mean the most to you. These people will help bring you more joy and happiness. They will remind you of why they are important to you and bring light to your life.

Spend more time with God. If you are feeling down, in darkness and stuck in routine, spend time with the one who brings light. Spend time with God. You can do this in many different ways. Read the Bible. Do a daily devotional. Pray. Pour your heart out to God. Give God everything that is on your mind and in your heart. God hears you and will listen to everything you have to say.

Live a life of gratitude. Begin and end each day by giving thanks for all the gifts you have been given. Maybe go a step further and create a gratitude journal; keeping a daily or weekly track of all the ways that God has brought light into your life.

Live life as God intended. The Lord created you in his image. He wants you to live a happy life and spread his light and joy to those around you and that is hard to do when you are stuck in darkness. Be a light to those around you and be happy with the life that God has given you. Live like God would want you to live and live for God's glory.

Our Easter celebration is over, but Easter occurs every day as we rejoice in the promise of eternal life given to us by the risen Christ. Let us live together in the Light and share that Light with the world around us.

Grace and Peace,

Don+

Join Us For Worship Every Sunday In-Person and Live Stream at 11 AM

Below is the Zoom link where you will be able to see those leading worship and along with parts of our liturgy. Below is the most updated link, phone number and password.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/605837516?pwd=V0R5VmNCQ2Mraml1TFdOVXpGMEpiQT09>

If you do not have computer access, you can call in with your home or cell phone using Zoom's dial in option.

Meeting ID: 605 837 516

Password: 23518

Phone: 312-626-6799

Communion for Homebound

Rev. Martin and an elder will be bringing communion to any homebound person that would like to receive it. This will be done once a quarter on Monday following the first Sunday. The months this will be done are April, July and October. If you would like to receive communion at home, please contact the church office at 757-587-7576 or Rev. Martin at 757-754-9232 so that a time can be scheduled with you.

Looking Ahead

April 9th at 12:00 pm – PW Lunch and Bible Study

April 14th – Commissioned Pastor Paula Bass will be leading worship

April 21st – Commissioned Pastor Paula Bass will be leading worship

May 19th – Pentecost Sunday

PW Bible Study & Fellowship

Join us for fellowship and Bible Study on the 2nd Tuesday each month at noon.

Lunch at noon and study starts at 12:30. Bring your lunch if you like.



Most Asked For Addresses

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Windermere, FL 34786

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1309 Kempsville Road
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Norfolk, VA 23502

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Mobile, Alabama
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251-385-0615

Carter Griffin
Pearson Hall West
Room 151
310 Alumni Mall
Blacksburg, VA 24061



April 1—Dennis Griffin

April 3—Dolores Ominski

April 15—Jennifer Lavallee

April 15—Jim Rudiger

April 20—Amy Griffin

April 23—Renee Hughes

Don Martin's Contact Information

pastordonatthird@gmail.com

757-754-9232

Prayer List

Please remember the following people and families in your prayers, that they might be lifted up through your conversations with God:

- Claudia Cary
- Peggy Russell
- Jennifer Russell
- Jessica and Ray Fitzgerald
- Ginny Davis
- Steve & Claudia Glover
- Carol Maxwell's Mom
- Larry McKinney
- Patricia Basnight
- Darlene Pick
- Holly Gaff
- Nancy & Steve Babor
- Toy Hefner
- Bessie Williams and Family
- Noah Lucas
- The Family of Ruth Bray
- Di Ricks
- Our Pastor - Don
- Our Church
- The Session
- Our Community

Offerings

March 3—\$ 1,715.00

March 10—\$1,125.00

March 17—\$1,005.00

March 24—\$2,565.00

March 31—\$745.00

Office Hours -Monday - Friday from 9am - 1pm.
Please feel free to call 757-587-7576 or send an email (thirdpc@hrcoxmail.com), if you need any assistance. Thank you!

Shepherd's List 2024



Amy Griffin

757-618-3006

*Dee Glover

*Steven and Claudia Glover

Ginny Davis

Nancy and Vernon Barham

Dorothy Grandstaff

Marguerite Duke

Peggy Russell

Teri Howard

Teri Howard

757-274-3311

Don Martin and Tony Crudup

Darlene Pick

Debbie and Ray Platte

Amy and Dennis Griffin

Di Ricks

Sybil Crooks

Joseph Bray

***Anne Basnight**

Tom Maxwell

757-531-9851

**Brittany French

Dave and Jenni Joyce

Holly Gaff and CJ Jones

T.J. and Larry McKinney

Lexi White and Marc Cahill

Deb King

The Rapacon Family - Amanda,
Manny, Christian, Samantha, Rachel,
and Peter

*no email-please call

**Text

Red+Shut-in

Stacy Apelt

757-583-5872

Nancy Babor

Jim Rudiger

Carol and Tom Maxwell

Mary Ann Shepard

Kayla and Bryson Shepard

Margaret Chewning & Dan Cudney

Margaret Chewning

757-581-0428

Jessica Fitzgerald & Family

Cheryl and Fred Holtz

Ginny Keisel

Claudia Cary

Artie and Milinda Derrenbacker

Stacy Apelt and Judy Floyd Apelt

Mike Gallond

Calvin Presbyterian Church

2901 E Little Creek Rd, Norfolk, VA
23518

(757) 587-1591

• Food Pantry Hours

Monday, Wednesday and Friday
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

• Third Saturdays of the month
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**The food pantry serves Norfolk
zip codes 23518 and 23503.
Those in need of assistance
may obtain a referral from any of
the participating churches.**

Pantry Wish List:

- 25 oz Apple Sauce
- 16 oz Baked Beans
- 24 oz Beef Stew
- 15 oz Peas
- 15 oz Green Beans
- 1 lb 13 oz Canned Fruit
- 32 oz Jelly
- 18 oz Peanut Butter
- 32 oz Pancake Mix
- 24 oz Syrup
- 1 lb Rice
- 8.25 oz Tuna Helper
- 6 oz Tuna
- 15 oz Spaghetti O's
- 15 oz Thick Soup
- 64 oz Juice
- 12 oz Luncheon Meat
- 7.25 oz Macaroni & Cheese
- 13.75 oz Mashed Potatoes
- 13.7 oz Oatmeal Individual Packs
- 16 oz Spaghetti Noodles
- 26.5 oz Spaghetti Sauce
- Dry Milk, Individual Packs


Please, no baby food, coffee, tea, sugar, pickles, olives, condiments, tomatoes, cranberries, canned milk, crackers or mushrooms.





April 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 7-9:30pm Square Dance	5	6 6:30pm Square Dance Group
7 11am In-Person & Virtual Worship with Communion	8	9 Noon PW Bible Study & Lunch/Fellowship. 6:30-10pm Dance Group C. Crofford	10 6:30pm Choir Practice 7pm AA Meeting	11 7pm Civic League Meeting	12	13 10am Clothes Closet 
14 11am In-Person & Virtual Worship	15	16 6:30-10pm Dance Group C. Crofford	17 6:30pm Choir Practice 7pm AA Meeting	18 7-9:30pm Square Dance	19	20
21 11am In-Person & Virtual Worship	22	23 6:30-10pm Dance Group C. Crofford	24 6:30pm Choir Practice 7pm AA Meeting	25 7-9:30pm Square Dance	26	27
28 11am In-Person & Virtual Worship	29	30 6:30-10pm Dance Group C. Crofford				



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CHURCH STAFF

Don Martin, Covenant Pastor
Debbie Platte, Secretary
Lexi White, IT Facilitator
Joseph C. Bray, III, Organist/ Choir Director
Clara Barnes, Sexton
Teri Howard, Clerk of Session
Holly Gaff, Treasurer
Teri Howard, Financial Secretary

SESSION

Building & Grounds

Stacy Apelt

Stewardship

Teri Howard

Witness & Outreach

Tom Maxwell

Worship

Amy Griffin

Administration and Personnel

Margaret Chewning

Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Men

Tom Maxwell, President

Fred Holtz, Vice-president

Memorial Committee