



## WEEKLY CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **EASTERN HENRICO COUNTY FISH** – For the month of January we will collect canned Beef Stew!
- **ATTENDANCE** – Last Sunday there were 189 in Worship and 154 in Bible Study.
- **WEDNESDAY EVENING DINNERS**—This Wednesday, January 22nd we will have Chili, Baked Potatoes, Cornbread, Fruit & Dessert. *Please RSVP by Monday at noon to the church office. Sign up sheets are located in the hallways to the front and back of the Sanctuary!*
- **CALLED BUSINESS MEETING**—There will be a called business meeting on Wednesday, January 22nd at 6:30pm to hear a motion from the Finance Committee, in unison with the Pastor Search Committee to amend the 2025 budget as it pertains to the Pastor's compensation package line items.
- **SISTA'HOOD NEWS**— Attention all ladies attending the women's conference at Fairmount this Saturday, January 25th. We will try to meet as a group at Fairmount Church. Doors open at 8am. Try to arrive between 8-8:15am. We will gather near the front registration tables.
- **SAVE THE DATE** — Saturday, February 22nd we will host a free community Brunswick Stew lunch from 12pm-2pm in the BG. ***Volunteers will be needed Friday evening for prep work and Saturday for serving and outreach.*** You can contact Sandy Tyler for more information at (804)334-9839.
- **KNITTERS/QUILTERS**—The Knitters/Quilters will meet this Thursday, January 23rd at 10:00am in the room off the kitchen in the BG Building. Please bring supplies. Thank you! *Ellen Weaver*
- **OFFERING ENVELOPES**—The offering envelopes will be brought back into the church office after this Sunday. Please try to remember to pick them up. If you forget, just reach out to Heather in the Church Office to arrange getting them after today.

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**His Last Command, Our First Concern**  
**Matthew 28:18-20**

*We are to be a body of Christians who glorify God  
through worship, teaching, ministering  
and sharing the Good News of Jesus to all.*

Dr. Tom Gaskins, Interim Pastor

Thomas C. Blunt, Minister of Music

Justin T. Blunt, Minister of Youth & Families

Lindsay Horne, Minister of Children & Families

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

JANUARY 19TH, 2025

9:00 A.M.



Announcements.....Lindsay Horne

Opening Prayer.....Lindsay Horne

Opening Scripture.....Tommy Blunt

*"Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh; is anything too difficult for Me?"*

Jeremiah 32:27

Praise Singing.....*"Graves into Gardens"*  
*"Build My Life"*

Welcome.....Lindsay Horne

- Dismissal to Children's Church

Offertory Prayer.....Larry Meador

Adult Choir.....*"Tis so Sweet to Trust in Jesus"*

Message.....Tom Gaskins

**Free to Tell**  
Acts 5:17-32

Invitation.....*"Redeemed"*

Benediction



## SUNDAY MONDAY

January 19th		January 20th	
9:00AM	Worship	10:00AM	Note Writing
10:15AM	Bible Study	6:30PM	Men's Basketball
5:30PM	Portuguese Ministry		

## WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

January 22nd	January 23rd	January 24th
5:30PM Dinner	10:00AM Knitters/Quilters	6:00PM Pickleball BG
6:00PM Children's Choir		
6:30PM Called Business Meeting, Adult Choir, Awana, Youth, HIS Group		

## SAFETY TEAM SHOW USHERS/GREETERS

Today Sunday, January 19th	Thursday, January 23rd	Today Sunday, January 19th
Alan Watts, Wayne Smith, & Matt Hart <i>Offertory Prayer</i> -Larry Meador-	Mike Edwards	Jared Klunk, Dwayne Tyler, Bonnie Abernathy, Denise Harcum, Kim Wheelhouse, & Keenan Eberhard
Next Sunday, January 26th	Thursday, January 30th	Next Sunday, January 26th
Darren Hayes, Douglas Milby, & Buddy Wallace <i>Offertory Prayer</i> -Mike Edwards-	Greg Martin	Bernie Smith, Dennis Lucas, Dwayne Tyler, Faye & Darnell Hailey, David Durette

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