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Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Enjoy lunch and fellowship while helping raise transportation funds for **CentriKid & CentriFuge Camps**
 May 20th after Worship Service
 \$5.00 per person (under 6 free)

Thank you

I would like to thank my church family for all the prayers, cards and well wishes during my treatment and surgery. God blessed me with a CT scan that was cancer free! Please continue to pray for my ongoing recovery. I love you all.

Julie (Pierce)

JMBC Goal: \$8,000.00
 Received: \$3,441.70

ANNIE ARMSTRONG
 EASTER OFFERING
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COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

April 8 has been designated as Cooperative Program Sunday – an opportunity to celebrate how much more we are able to do together than any of us could do alone. Gains we see each year through our Cooperative Program efforts: 16,000 students trained in six seminaries; more than 1,100 congregations started in North America; 886 people groups and 236 urban centers engaged overseas; almost 1.4 million people in 53 countries helped with basic life essentials like food and clean water. Through the Cooperative Program we are able to obey Jesus' command to "go and make disciples of all nations."

Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School
 June 25 – 29, 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

We will be looking for volunteers soon.
Interest meetings – Sun, April 22 – 12:00 pm
Wed, April 25 – 5:30 pm
Training – Sun, May 6 – 12:00 pm
Final Training – Sun, June 3 – 12:00 pm
 See Rachel Emberton or reach her at
 (757) 472-5337 or labmom.75@gmail.com

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Sunday Services
 9:00 a.m. Life Groups (Bible Study)
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 11:00 a.m. Kids Worship

Building Security

It is because of His great love for you that a Risk Management team has been formed. The team has been meeting over the course of several weeks to assess policies and procedures currently in place concerning the safety of everyone.

Based on recommendations from the Chesapeake Police, we have begun to limit the number of ways the building may be accessed on Sundays:

- 9:15 am – Library Wing, Fellowship Hall, Preschool Hall, as well as the back door located at middle of the building will be locked.
- 10:15 am – Preschool Hall door will be unlocked
- 10:40 am – all exterior doors are locked with the exception of the Foyer and Music Hall.

The Risk Management Team will be in the hall during Life Groups and the Worship Service. With that in mind, we now have watchful eyes checking doors, as well as walking the halls and property.

"It is Finished!"
John 19:30

What a wonderful proclamation! It. Is. Finished. One word in the Greek, this phrase is heavy and full of meaning. "It is finished" has eternal implications and practical application for us too. The Greek word translated "it is finished" is Τετέλεσται, which is transliterated and pronounced "Tetelestai." However, the phrase "it is finished" only captures one part of this Greek word's meaning, the part that focuses on completion.

"It is finished" is no cry of defeat. "It is finished" is not a word by Jesus simply signifying death was imminent or his earthly life over. The verb from which Τετέλεσται is derived has the meaning of carrying out a task or fulfilling an obligation. In other words, Jesus was proclaiming and affirming the work the Father had given him to do was now complete. MacArthur writes, "As He hung there, looking every bit like a pathetic, wasted victim, He nonetheless celebrated the greatest triumph in the history of the universe." (MacArthur, 222)

"It is finished" is a cry signifying the work of atonement for sin and the redemption of sinners was complete. "It is finished" means the Lord Jesus has done all that needed to be done to satisfy the just and righteous demands of Almighty God. "It is finished" has eternal implications: we have nothing to offer or add to the sacrifice of the Lord Jesus. Jesus paid it all. It. Is. Finished. We cannot add to Jesus' sacrifice, and we have no work to do or anything to add. It. Is. Finished. We need only turn to Jesus and rest ourselves upon Him, place our faith in Him and His finished work on the cross for forgiveness and salvation.

The practical aspect of "it is finished," beyond the all-sufficient and complete work of Christ in redemption, means we do not have to worry if we are too bad or have messed up too much or fallen down too many times to be saved. The enemy of our souls wants us to feel defeated and doubt our salvation; he wants us to live with insecurity, hoping we will finally give up. He is our accuser, wanting us to think of ourselves as out of the realm of grace and beyond salvation. But "it is finished" means Jesus' sacrifice is complete and sufficient. No more blood need be shed or any other sacrifice made to atone for us, to redeem us. Why? Τετέλεσται. . . It is finished!

"It is finished" is our basis of going back to our Heavenly Father when we falter and fall short. We go back to Him in confession, not because we need to be saved again but because we want to restore our fellowship with Him. "It is finished" is our confidence as we approach our Heavenly Father if we have sinned. (1 John 2:1)

"It is finished" is the foundation upon which we freely offer forgiveness to other Christians and let love cover over their sin against us. (1 Peter 4:8) We know that in Christ the Christian who has wronged us stands forgiven, their sin has been dealt with, so we can let it go too. God's wrath for their sin was poured out on Jesus at the cross. (Romans 12:19)

"It is finished." I pray that you will ponder the depth of this phrase, this one Greek word, during this season when the resurrection is celebrated. Turn to Jesus and put your faith in Him and His finished work on the cross for you, or rededicate yourself to the one through whom it was all paid.

Pastor Tommy

MacArthur, John. *The Murder of Jesus*. (Nashville: Word, 2000).

FAMILY, FRIENDS & FAITH



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Fellowship Hall, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm, led by Pastor Tommy
“Dealing With Life” – based on Psalms



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS - Sign up with Betsy Gardner on Sunday mornings or call the church office (484-5568) **no later than noon** on Tuesdays. Cost is \$6.00 for adults, free for children 8 and younger. Menu is subject to change. Please check weekly bulletins.

Menu: Apr 4: Chopped Sirloin Steak with Onions & Mushrooms OR Liver & Onions, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Roll, Dessert
Apr 11: Chicken & Dumplings, Green Beans, Fruit Salad, Dessert
Apr 18: Beef Tips over Rice, Broccoli & Carrots, Roll, Dessert
Apr 25: Turkey, Ham, Yams, Collards, Stuffing, Roll, Dessert



NEW MEMBERS: Curtis, Diane and Kate Large
Ralph and Debra Peters



APRIL OPEN and LOCK-UP TEAM: Chris Fuhrmann and Steve Rosso



WOMEN'S MINISTRY – Our new Bible study, “Discerning the Voice of God,” by Priscilla Shirer kicks off on **Sunday night, April 8 at 6:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. It will continue for 6 more weeks on **Tuesday nights** starting **April 17 at 6:45 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. (Childcare will be provided with a reservation.)

WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE WORKSHOP – Ladies, would you like to learn self-defense and safety tactics from a real Brazilian Jui-Jitsu Blackbelt? We will have a workshop on **Thursday, April 12 from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm**. Discussion and modifications will be appropriate for all ages. See the sign-up sheets on the Women's Ministry bulletin board or at the foyer desk. Sign up deadline is **April 7**.

DEACONS WIVES BANQUET – **Saturday, May 12 at 5:00 pm** in the **Fellowship Hall**, honoring wives of all ordained deacons and staff, as well as wives of deacons who have passed on to be with the Lord, and former pastors and their wives. The cost is \$25 per couple for deacons; free for wives of those who have passed and for pastors. There will be entertainment and prizes. In order to have time for preparation, please call the office at 484-5568 by **April 9** to make your reservation and indicate if you will need transportation.

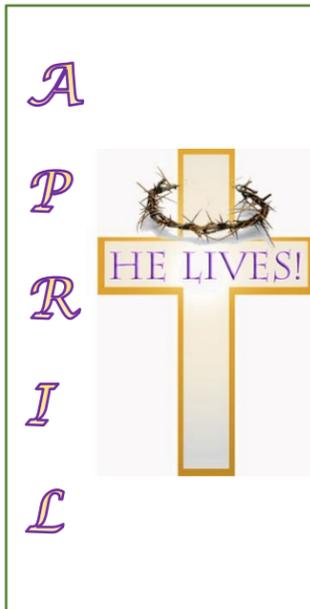
JOY GROUP - Our April meeting will be a “make your own sub” luncheon at **noon on Thursday, April 19** in the **Fellowship Hall**. The church will provide the sub makings and chips, and JOY Group members are asked to sign up with Mona Bond if you would like to help provide the desserts. We plan to play board games and enjoy some time just sharing with each other. **Bring a baby picture of yourself for a “guessing contest.”** Don't miss this opportunity to get better acquainted with others in the group! To sign up, see the Senior Ministry bulletin board just off of the foyer, or call or text Dee Elliott at 944-0941. **Deadline to sign up is Monday, April 16.** In addition, we have plans to visit the Air and Space Museum to see the IMAX film “Aircraft Carrier: Guardians of the Sea” on **Friday, April 27 at 11:15 am**, followed by lunch. Cost will be \$8.00 plus lunch. On **April 21 at 7:00 pm** we will have **Movie Night** in the **Fellowship Hall**. We will see “Greatest Laughs,” funny stories by Dennis Swanberg, featuring “Baptismal Drain,” “Easter Sunday Surprise,” “The Language of the Apron and the Broom,” “Senior Adults on a Swim Retreat,” and “Senior Adults: Rockin' Chairs, Tombstones, and Grandkids.” The youth will be providing a concession stand, and we will have the opportunity to buy refreshments as a way to help them raise money for transportation to camp this summer.

FAMILY KICKBALL GAME – Join us for fun and fellowship on **Saturday, May 5 at 2:00 pm**. (Adults vs. Kids)



ORIOLES vs NATIONALS GAME – **Monday, May 28 at 1:05 pm** in **Baltimore, \$50 per person**. We will take the church vehicles, so the maximum number who can go is 27. Must have at least 20 to take both vehicles. Sign up by calling the church office at 484-5568. Sign-up and payment deadline is **Friday, April 27**.

EASTERN SHORE and STANDING ROCK MISSION TRIPS – The Eastern Shore Mission Trip is **July 8 – 14**. The cost is \$350 per person. **A \$75 deposit is due by May 1** with the application. The Standing Rock Mission Trip is **July 22 – 27**. The cost is approximately \$1,500 per person. Applications are due with a **\$125 deposit by May 1**. Flyers and applications are available. Please pray about participating in these mission trips.



REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAYS	9:30 am Nifty Knitters (Room 110)
	6:00 pm Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall/Overflow Rm)
TUESDAYS	10:00 am Staff Meeting (Conference Room B)
WEDNESDAYS	10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (Room A-14)
	5:15 pm Church Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
	5:45 pm Handbells (Music Hall)
	6:30 pm Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
	Mission Friends (Preschool Hall)
	Children in Action (Room 222)
	Youth Bible Study (Youth Wing)
	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
	7:30 pm
THURSDAYS	6:00 pm Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall/Overflow Rm)
SUNDAYS	9:00 am Life Groups (Bible Study)
	10:30 am Worship
	11:00 am Kids Worship

MEETINGS / SPECIAL EVENTS

2 MON	Easter Monday: Church Office closed
3 TUES	7:00 pm Deacons Meeting (Room 102)
5 THURS	6:00 am Feeding of the Homeless (OASIS)
	10:30 am Carol Knight Group Mtg (Overflow Rm)
8 SUN	6:00 pm Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
9 MON	6:30 pm Personnel Committee Mtg (Conf Rm A)
	Budget Committee Mtg (Conf Rm B)
12 THURS	6:30 pm Women's Self-Defense Class
15 SUN	2:30 pm Senior Ministry at Emily Green Shores
16 MON	7:00 pm WMU Barbara Deal Group Meeting
17 TUES	6:00 pm Church Council Meeting (Choir Room)
	6:45 pm Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
19 THURS	9:00 am Backpack Delivery to Southwestern Elem
	12:00 pm JOY Group Luncheon
	6:00 pm CPR/AED class (Room A-14)
21 SAT	7:00 pm JOY Group Movie Night (FH)
24 TUES	6:00 pm CPR/AED class (Room A-14)
	6:45 pm Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
27 FRI	11:00 am JOY Group Outing (Air & Space Museum)
29 SUN	5:30 pm Hymn Sing (Sanctuary)
	6:00 pm Quarterly Business Meeting (Sanctuary)

WEEKS IN REVIEW

	March 4	March 11	March 18	March 25
LIFE GROUPS (Sunday Bible Study)				
Enrollment	350	353	353	353
Attendance	165	154	172	172
Visitor	6	7	7	7
Total Attendance	173	161	179	179
WORSHIP				
Morning Service	205	197	220	245

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

	March 4	March 11	March 18	March 25
BUDGET				
Required Per Week	13,080.70	13,080.70	13,080.70	13,080.70
Received	12,603.05	9,121.00	9,052.76	6,035.55
Mid-Week Received		1,962.00	820.00	1,350.00
Online Received	1,915.00	990.00	980.00	850.00
Required to Date	117,023.88	130,104.58	143,185.28	156,265.98
Received to Date	102,768.42	114,841.42	125,694.18	133,929.73
BUILDING FUND				
Phase 2 (New Sanctuary)				100.00
MISSIONS				
East Asia	50.00	50.00		
JMBC		550.00	100.00	10.00
Alma Hunt	25.00			100.00
Annie Armstrong	188.00	525.00	510.00	1,360.00
OTHER				
Benevolent Fund			10.00	229.00
Children's Camp				10.00
Deacon Fund	30.00	15.00	25.00	30.00
Food Pantry	25.00			
Youth Camp	200.00			10.00
Vacation Bible School				400.00

MARCH BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS: \$45,679.36

Crisis Pregnancy Center Baby Bottle Program April 15 – May 13



Help support a local ministry that shares the gospel with young women in crisis. On April 15, pick up a baby bottle from the crib in the Music Hallway (please, one per family) and fill it with cash or a check made payable to Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater. Return it on Mother's Day, May 13.

