

Calendar Chat

September

- **WNL returns with a new format!** We will kick off our return of WNL on September 29th! Dinner is free and a service opportunity for the whole family will be our focus. NO K.I.C.K., Adult Bible Study, or Youth Meeting on WNL service nights (last Wed. of the month)

September Service Event: Rise Against Hunger

Join us as we bag rice for "Rise Against Hunger." Rise Against Hunger is a global movement to end hunger by empowering communities, nourishing lives and responding to emergencies.

- **Twenty Hours of Prayer & Prayer Service:** September 11, 2001 cannot be forgotten. Join us as we remember that day through prayer. Prayer guides will be available. We will come together during our "Twenty Hours of Prayer" with a Prayer Service in the sanctuary. September 11th @ 7 pm.
- **Food for All Campaign:** Support the Food Bank of Southeastern Virginia and donate canned goods during our food drive. "Stuff the Bus" in the narthex!
- **Pray and Create:** Bring your current craft project and join us for time of creativity, fellowship and prayer!
- **Men Sing Their Faith:** We are looking for some men who will "Sing Their Faith" together on September 26! Music is not difficult. Contact Billye, music@gbpres.org, for more information.
- **Munchies with Mike:** Join Pastor Mike after each service in Room 200 for conversation and snacks.
- **Grief Share:** Grief Share is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Meets Thursdays @ 7 pm.
- **Choirs for Children & Youth:** Preschoolers through middle school have the opportunity to sing for the Lord. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 5:45 pm. Detailed info on our website, gbpres.org.

8th: Chancel Choir Resumes @ 7:30 pm

9th: Grief Share begins @ 7 pm

11th: 20 Hours of Prayer
Prayer Service @ 7 pm

12th: New Sermon Series: "Acts: Life Together"
Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30
Praise Choir Sunday @ 10:30 am

15th: Pray & Create @ 10 am

19th: "Food For All" Food Drive begins
Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30

21st: Red Cross Blood Drive @ 2 pm—7 pm
Harmonious Flutes Rehearsal Resumes @ 6:30 pm

24th: Seasoned Saints Luncheon @ noon

26th: Men Sing Their Faith @ 9 am
Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30 am

29th: Children's Choirs Rehearsals Resume @ 5:45 pm
WNL Service: Dinner & Rise Against Hunger @ 6 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm

30th: PW Awards Dinner @ 5:30 pm



October 2021

- **NEW! Wednesday Nite Live Format!** Join us on Wednesday nights for choir rehearsals, K.I.C.K. for kids kinder—5th, middle school youth groups, and adult bible study returns. WNL dinner will **only** be served on the *last Wednesday of each month* which will also be our night of service! Dinner is free this year, but donations are accepted! Register for choirs, and KICK on our website, gbpres.org.

October Service Event: Operation Christmas Child Packing Night!

Our church family will be packing all of the shoeboxes with the items donated by our congregation! Operation Christmas Child strives to show God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Samaritan's Purse partners with the local church worldwide to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples of the nations.

- **Bible Study with Pastors Kelly & Mike:** On Sunday mornings, we will be going through the Book of Acts, studying "Life Together" as a church body. WNL with the pastors will include a Q and A time, and a deeper look into the previous Sunday's topic! Wednesday's at 6:30 pm.
- **Vida Joven Golf Tournament:** Join our annual fundraiser for Nicaragua "Young Life" Mission! More information and registration can be found at gbpres.org.
- **REVIVAL!** Edith Prakash is coming to Gbpres! Join us for an inspiring evening of "Hope Invasion." Your breakthrough is here! Come and experience times of refreshing from the presence of God. What God did in the past he can do it again. God said where there is unity and expectation he will pour out an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. You will be blessed by the powerful worship, anointed word, healing prayers, and miracles.
- **New Member's Class:** Join the pastors to hear their testimonies and learn about the key emphases of the Presbyterian tradition and how that impacts what we're doing at GBPC. Learn how you can plug into the right place at GBPC! Enjoy lunch with staff and ministry leaders, and meet with elders to share your faith story and join GBPC. Contact Laura Bowser, laurab@gbpres.org if you would like to attend.
- **Trunk or Treat:** Wear your costume to church! We will have ONE service at 10 am. Join the fun after church and go Trunk or Treating in the parking lot! Trunks needed! Contact Stacey, staceym@gbpres.org to help!
- **New Sermon Series: "Giving In Abundance"** As the people of God, we give to God out of the abundance He has given to us. Overflowing in grace, thanks, and hope, we bring our gifts, tithes, and offerings to God during this stewardship season.

3rd: World Communion Sunday
Praise Choir @ 10:30 pm
Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30 pm
New Members Class @ 11:30 am

6th: Pray & Create @ 10 am
Children & Youth Choirs @ 5:45 pm
WNL @ 6:30 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm

10th: Operation Christmas Child begins
Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30
New Members Class @ 11:30 pm

11th: Vida Joven Golf Tournament @ 9 am

13th: Children & Youth Choirs @ 5:45 pm
WNL @ 6:30 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm

17th: Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30

20th: Children & Youth Choirs @ 5:45 pm
WNL @ 6:30 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm

22nd: Seasoned Saints Lunch @ noon

23rd: Prakash Revival @ 6 pm

27th: Children & Youth Choirs @ 5:45 pm
WNL Service Night w/ Dinner @ 6 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm

31st: Squeeze Service @ 10 am
Reformation Sunday
New Sermon Series begins, "Giving in Abundance"
Trunk or Treat @ 11 am



November 2021

- **Thanksgiving Food Collection:** Each year GBPC collects a grocery list of items needed for a complete Thanksgiving dinner. These items are delivered to needy families in our area. Look for the shopping list in the narthex or online, gbpres.org.
- **Wednesday Nite Live:** Join us on Wednesday nights for choir rehearsals, K.I.C.K. for kids kinder—5th, middle school youth groups, and adult bible study returns. WNL dinner will only be served on the last Wednesday of each month which will also be our night of service! Dinner is free this year, but donations are accepted! Register for choirs, and KICK on our website, gbpres.org.

November Service Event: Fill Thanksgiving Baskets

Volunteers needed to pack Thanksgiving baskets with the donating “fixings” and turkeys!
Fun and meaningful work for the whole family!

- **Stewardship:** November kicks off our season of stewardship as we prepare the 2022 budget. This year’s theme is “Giving in Abundance.” The LORD will open the heavens, the storehouses of His bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. Deuteronomy 28:12 . Giving has always been a mark of Christian commitment and discipleship. The ways in which a believer uses God’s gifts of material goods, personal abilities, and time should reflect a faithful response to God’s self-giving in Jesus Christ and Christ’s call to minister to and share with others in the world. At the very least, we encourage members to commit a percentage of income to the work of the Lord through this GBPC. Please be in prayer as you discern your 2022 financial commitment to GBPC.
- **Handel’s Messiah Bible Study with Pastors Kelly & Mike:** The advent theme for 2021 is “Waiting for Messiah”, and in this Bible Study, we will be looking at the biblical story of the long-awaited Messiah as told by the composer George Frederic Handel: the birth of Christ, the Passion of Christ, the Resurrection of Christ. Wednesdays at 6:30 pm.
- **Men’s Corn Hole Tournament:** Guys! Get your team together and join us for a competitive game of corn hole. More information on our website, gbpres.org.
- **Seasoned Saints Lunch:** Our seniors (65+) meet monthly for lunch and a guest presentation. Contact Judi Morgan, nobana@cox.net to RSVP.
- **A Night of Praise & Prayer:** Praise God with your church family for a special night of healing, prayer, and praise!
- **Service of Remembrance:** Join us for this special service where we remember those we love who have passed.
- **New Sermon Series:** “Waiting for Messiah” It is so hard to wait! Like a child waiting for Christmas morning, the generations of Israel were waiting for the Messiah to come and to bring salvation. We rejoice this advent season that the waiting for Messiah is over in the coming of Jesus Christ, and now we wait for the Messiah to return!

3rd: Pray & Create @ 10 am
Children & Youth Choirs @ 5:45 pm
WNL @ 6:30 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm

6th: Men’s Corn Hole Tournament @ TBA

7th: Thanksgiving Food Collection Begins
Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30

10th Children & Youth Choirs @ 5:45 pm
WNL @ 6:30 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm

14th: Stewardship Sunday
Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30 am

17th: Children & Youth Choirs @ 5:45 pm
WNL Service Night: Dinner and Thanksgiving baskets sorting night @ 6 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm

19th: Seasoned Saints Luncheon @ noon

21st: Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30 am
Praise Choir @ 10:30 am
A Night of Praise & Prayer @ 6:30 pm

22nd: Thanksgiving Basket Delivery Day

28th: First Day of Advent, New Sermon Series “Waiting for Messiah”
Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30 am
Service of Remembrance @ 6:30 pm
Grand Illumination! Christmas Lights @ 6 pm



December 2021



- **Giving Trees:** During the month of December there will be an Angel Tree set up in the Narthex with the names and wish lists of children from our community. Please take a tag, wrap the gifts and attach the tag to the outside of the gift. The Sock & Mitten Tree this year is helping keep our homeless warm this winter. Instead of socks and mittens, thermal under clothing is needed. Place your donations on the tree during the Advent season. Donations will be distributed by Chesapeake Area Shelter Team ministry members. Thank you for helping our community during COVID19 pandemic.
- **Chesapeake Christmas Parade:** The parade is back! Our Bridge to Worship Praise Team is sponsoring a “Drummer Boy” float! Join the fun and cheer them on!
- **Candlelight Concert:** Debra Wendells Cross, flute; Barbara Chapman, harp. Join us for this delightful Christmas concert. Free and open to the public.
- **All Church Christmas Party:** In this final WNL for 2021, we will come together as a church family to celebrate the season! DINNER PROVIDED, NO Bible Study or KICK, bring the whole family for a night of fellowship!
- **Seasoned Saints Lunch:** Our seniors (65+) meet monthly for lunch and a guest presentation. Contact Judi Morgan, nobana@cox.net to RSVP. This month our guest will be Mr. Robert Hitchings, Norfolk County Historical Society of Chesapeake, sharing Christmas stories.
- **Festival of Lessons and Carols :** The Christmas tradition continues! You will not want to miss this beloved service as we retell the story of our Savior’s birth through scripture and music. This year our Chancel Choir presents *Messiah* by G. F. Handel.

1st: Angel Tree and Sock & Mitten Tree

4th: Chesapeake Christmas Parade

5th: Praise Choir @ 10:30 am
Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30
Candlelight Concert @ 4 pm

8th Children & Youth Choirs @ 5:45 pm
Christmas Dinner Party @ 6 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm

12th: Munchies with Mike @ 10 am & 11:30

17th: Seasoned Saints Luncheon @ noon

19th: Service of Lessons & Carols @ 9 am & 10:30 am

24th: Christmas Eve Services
4 pm—Children’s Service
6 pm—Contemporary Service
8 pm—Traditional Service w/ Communion

26th: Online Service Only

