

# BEULAH BEACON

## WITH THANKFULNESS IN OUR HEARTS

By Pastor Don Gibson

Hello All-blessings! I have enjoyed the month of October and pray that you have as well. I recently had the opportunity to clean off a few flower and garden beds-prepping for Winter and awaiting Spring! Those beds produced beautiful zinnias (and other flowers) that my family and I enjoyed all summer long as well as some delicious tomatoes, radishes, cucumbers, etc. As I cleaned off each bed, I remembered all the beautiful and delicious things that my family and I enjoyed from them and I thought to myself, "this year has truly been wonderful; I am so THANKFUL!" Are you? I read a devotional thought this morning that speaks to the truth of our thankfulness and of this season of

Thanksgiving/thankfulness:

"Thanksgiving has got to be one of the most underrated holidays in America. Once Halloween has finished and the Jack-O-Lanterns are all put away, the Christmas

***"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God." – Colossians 3:16***

frenzy takes over. Holiday specials start playing on TV, stores decorate their aisle with snowflakes and mistletoes, and people take the chance to hang Christmas lights while there's no snow. It's not all that surprising really; the Christmas spirit can be pretty infectious, it's also a lot harder to profit off a holiday that emphasizes thankfulness."

I think that this is how many people, even Christians, treat the idea of thankfulness in general. I don't know about you, but I'm much faster at coming up with a list of things I want for Christmas than a list of things I'm grateful for. We

get so tied up in what God can do for us, how Christ can impact our lives, that we forget how to be thankful for what we have.

Let's show those around us just how thankful we are! "How?" you may ask. Well, let's begin with the Word we receive from our good brother Paul, written to the church at Colossae: the word of God dwelling in us so richly that it affects every aspect of our living- we sing, dance and rejoice with thankfulness in our hearts and do so all for the Glory of God! Grace and Peace



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# BIBLE READING CHALLENGE

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## PSALM AND PROVERBS

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## MEET ROBIN PETERS OUR NEW ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



Robin lives in Chester, VA, but was raised in Dinwiddie County. She has been married to Joe Peters for 34 years. She has two sons Michael (33) and Steven (32) and three wonderful grandchildren Aria, Luka, and Cora.

She is a member of a church in Matoaca and was saved when she was 8 years old. Her hobbies are going to the beach, exercising, and spending lots of time with her grandchildren.

She is so thankful to Jesus for bringing her to Beulah Church where she can grow and work for Him. She is also thankful to Pastor Don and the Staff Parrish Relations Committee (SPRC) for giving her this wonderful opportunity. She is looking forward to meeting and getting to know everyone at Beulah.

## BEACON AND BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

As our new Admin, Robin will be preparing the bulletin, Beacon, and the weekly email for Beulah. The guidelines for submissions is still the same. Please email her anything for publication so she may review and process them for you. Her email is [Robin@beulah-church.com](mailto:Robin@beulah-church.com).

Bulletin and weekly Email deadline is noon on Wednesday the week of the publication.

Beacon Deadline is by 4:00 pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication.



# MISSIONS

## MISSION MOMENTS by Jann Niccoli

Here's a follow up on the Life is Precious campaign for the Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield. Beulah donated a total of \$2285 in addition to many baby outfits, diapers, baby wipes, socks, and baby blankets. I am so proud of our Beulah family. We are helping the new parents and babies to see the love of Christ with each donation.

The blanket drive in October is going well to benefit the International Rescue Committee refugees. Many who come to the Richmond area are coming from much warmer/hot climates. Even though they get help when they come here, they are not equipped with new blankets for those cool fall and winter temperatures. I like to think that when we give a warm blanket to those in need, we are helping them feel the warmth of Jesus' love. Let us know if you want to help with our mission work. There are many opportunities in our local area, the state, and the world.

## SHERBOURNE FOOD PANTRY

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During the month of November, Sherbourne Food Pantry is requesting donations of canned meat and other proteins. Your donation can be left on the wire rack at the Information Center or in the white Afterhours Donation Cabinet in the Breezeway. Thank you for all you are doing to help us meet our pledge of 5,000 lbs. of food by the end of 2023.

### SHERBOURNE CHRISTMAS MEALS

Beulah is once again helping Sherbourne provide Christmas meals for the 100+ families they serve each week. The shopping list for the meals is available at the display in the Narthex starting November 9. Please note the sizes of the items at the display. **All meals are due by December 7.**

If you would like to help Sherbourne provide Christmas meals but are unable to assemble a complete bag, you can place items from the list in the Food Pantry collection area by the Information Center. Questions? Contact Barbara Tuttle.



### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES:

The boxes are be available for pick up and need to be returned to the drop-off location in the Narthex by **Sunday, November 16**. Please include a check for \$10 in your box to help cover the cost of shipping the boxes.

**RICHMOND CROP HUNGER WALK**  
**Sunday, November. 9**  
Registration at 1:15 pm  
Walk at 2:00 pm

See Barbra Tuttle at the Information Center about joining the walk!

**I AM A HUNGER FIGHTER**

### RICHMOND CROP HUNGER WALK

This year's walk to fight hunger around the world and locally is **Sunday, November 9**, beginning and ending at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, 1627 Monument Ave. Registration begins at 1:15, and the walk begins at 2:00. See Barbara Tuttle at the Information Center after worship to join the Beulah Team or make a donation. Checks should be made out to CWS/CROP.

## COMMUNION OFFERING



**JAMES HOUSE**

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

Our November Communion Offering goes to James House. This organizations serves a vital need in our local communities, and we encourage you to support them. James House offers cost-free, confidential help for people affected by sexual violence, domestic violence, interpersonal violence and stalking in the Greater Tri-Cities Region of Virginia.

Headquartered in Prince George, James House has 12 shelters in undisclosed locations. When placing your check in the offering please make the check to Beulah Church with Communion offering or James House written on the memo line.

### Dottie tells the story behind the song: "Sheltered In The Arms Of God"

Sheltered in the Arms of God was written by Dottie Rambo around 1960. Dottie had gone to the seashore with her guitar to write but the words wouldn't come. She recalls that she was talking to God about her broken heart from a friend's betrayal, she felt like a song would come out of it. Dottie recalls feeling a hand with all five fingers laid on her shoulder and she said, "Oh thank you Lord, I feel the touch of hands so kind and tender". She said, "This is the way that this song is supposed to start". YouTube, Dottie Rambo Fans <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HRaAG-CHbpo>

## ROOT CELLAR

By Barry Iglehart

I submit to you that God - Yahweh, Jehovah - is a God of "afters". There are numerous moments when He promises something to His people that they will receive after a period of waiting, in essence after waiting for it. This is from both Old and New Testament.

In Genesis, long prior to Moses or the Ten Commandments, Abraham was promised a son by Sarah, his wife, but they had to wait until after a year's time. Leviticus and the guidance of God through Moses shows this even more. Jesus told the disciples to wait in Jerusalem and after a while the Holy Spirit, the Ruach Ha Kadesh, would come and guide them in all knowledge.

We've just recently been through the Fall High Holy Days, a period of reflection and repentance, looking to the past somewhat. At the end of Sukkot, a feast of seven days, is a "Sabbath" called "the eighth day". Why? As we mark the beginning of a new time, the Hebrew faith, really the story of our own, begins fresh and new.

Consider this: Jesus rose from the dead on the "eighth day" of Pesach, Passover. And the next festival is Hanukkah, or dedication. Let us rededicate ourselves to Him and His service in spirit and in truth.

The last few months have elapsed very quickly. It seems like it was just yesterday when we were celebrating the start of the school year, back to church, the relaunch of the Children and Youth ministries. In that time the youth have learned in Sunday School about how God is reliable, God gives forgiveness, and the Wisdom that can only be found in having a relationship with God. They in turn have helped share those very lessons with Children's Church. During Youth Group the youth have been challenged to be in ministry with Beulah Church. This means serving alongside the adults at events and with other ministries in the Church, such as partnering with the Mission Team projects.

The Youth Group is following the Bible reading challenge along with the rest of the church and each week we are learning an overview of what has happened in the readings. During Sunday School, on the first Sunday of the month, the youth have a service project. On Sunday,

Sunday, October 5 the youth handmade 20 Christmas cards to go with the stocking's Beulah Missions team is giving to soldiers at Fort Lee.

Sunday, October 19 during Youth Group they made 22 Gift bags for the Special Education Department teachers and teacher aids at Meadowbrook Highschool. On

Sunday, October 26, during worship the Children and Youth Bells played and sung Hallelujah as part of the meditation music.



## HELP NEEDED

Pray for our children, youth, college students, and their friends as they develop their relationship with God and Jesus Christ.

Each Sunday we feed the youth. We have several Sunday's available if you are interested in hosting a meal. You can do this through cooking or picking something up. Let Suzanne Davis ([suzanne@beulah-church.com](mailto:suzanne@beulah-church.com)) know if you are interested.



2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL CAR SHOW

The weather was wonderful, but the entries were less than last year. We had 50 entries and presented trophies to the top ten and the best in show. The Methodist men generated a profit of \$739, and the youth made \$ 260. Special thanks to Randy Ramey, Sherry Harris, Ellen Trimble, Cindy Hosmer, and Tamira Roman for their work in the concession stand.



**CHARGE CONFERENCE**

Sunday, November 09  
Special Worship Service  
starts at 4:00 pm

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!**

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The Annual Charge Conference has moved to **Sunday, November 09**, at 4:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Please mark your calendar to attend this important time of worship and prayer as we look forward to how God will be moving in 2026.

NAME TAGS

You may have noticed the “Name Tag Board” in the Narthex is full of tags. If you missed getting your name up there, we will be happy to order you one. There is a sign-up sheet at the Information Center. Please print your name carefully and specify if you want a magnetic or pin on backing. Remember if you have a pacemaker, you should not wear a magnetic nametag.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP MEAL

SCHEDULE

11/05 Fall Festival

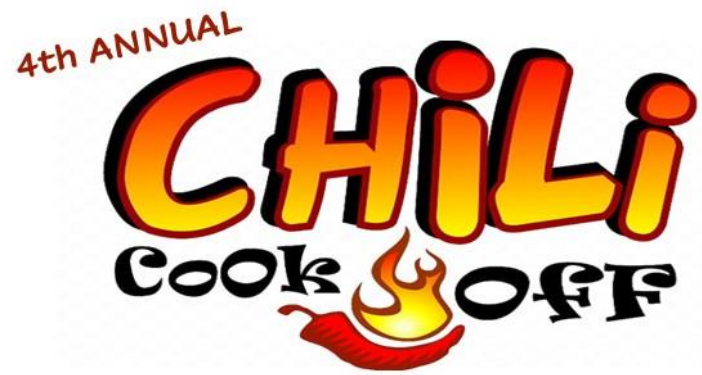
Chic-Fil-A Chicken tenders, butterbeans, mac and cheese, coleslaw, and desserts

11/12 Scouts

Sloppy joe's, mixed veggies, and Rice Krispie Treats

11/19 Chili Cook Off

Who will have the Best Chili this year?



CHILI COOK OFF AND WINTER FLANNEL

The Chili Cook Off is a part of the Wednesday Worship Meal, there will be Chili Cook-Off on **November 19**, so get out the crock pots and some copies of your recipe and let’s make it fun and share our recipes with friends. Everyone is also encouraged to come in their favorite winter flannel. There will be awards given for first, second, and third place. To enter your chili in the cook-off please visit the Information Center. You do not have to sign up to dine with us. Sign up is only for those cooking chili.

BEULAH'S BEST

Beulah's Best will meet November 18th at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. We will begin with snacks and association with everyone. At 10:30 we will begin the program of singing by Billy Kulynych. Hope you will come and join the fun.

**BEULAH FALL FESTIVAL**

November 08, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm  
6930 Hopkins Road, N. Chesterfield, VA 23234

**!!! FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!!!**

Our Biggest Yard Sale To Date, Good Quality Furniture,  
Barrel Ride, Bounce House, Hayride,  
Jewelry, Handmade Cards, and Crafts  
Fresh Baked Bread, Pies, and Desserts.

RECIPE  
OF THE MONTH

CHEESE BALL

By Linda Mustain, from Angelic Delight, published in 1996

- 2 (8oz) cream cheese
- ¼ c. chopped green pepper
- 2 T. chopped onion
- 2 T. seasoned salt
- 1 sm. can crushed pineapple, well drained
- 2 c. chopped pecans

Mix cream cheese, pepper, onions, salt and pineapple. Form into a ball and roll in the chopped pecans. Chill. Serve with crackers.

## THANK YOU

**To: Beulah Family**

**From: Ken & Becky Brooks & Family**

**Craig & Brandie & Family**

Thank you so much for all the cards, calls, texts, and visits to Mom over the years. We appreciate so much the lovely reception and all the delicious food & all who prepared it. We are so blessed to be a part of the Beulah family.

**To: Beulah Family**

**From: Joie Jones**

I would like to thank you all for all the cards and prayers I have received as I go along this journey. I feel as if I am in God's arms and all of you are with me. What a wonderful feeling. Thank you so much.

**To: Beulah Family**

**From: Jann Niccoli**

Please know that our family is so thankful for all the love to each of us in the loss of baby Fenn Theodore Niccoli, prior to his birth. He was already so very loved, so this is the hardest thing we have ever gone through. Your hugs, prayers, cards and texts have been such comfort to me/us. I feel the love and the peace that God provides. This has stolen my happiness for a while BUT it definitely CANNOT steal my JOY. I truly am thankful for my Beulah family. You are incredible. Love you all though Christ who strengthens me, Jann Niccoli

## BIRTHDAYS

### NOVEMBER

01 Margaret Burke

05 Louie Love

06 Chad Conner

06 Tom Owens

07 Sandy Lunsford

07 Lynn Snow

11 Diane Hassell

11 DB Walston

12 Patricia Lohr

14 Haley Cole

15 Barbara Adams

15 Erick Rivera

16 Jane Barfield

17 Krissy Henderson

18 Richard Barfield

18 Jane Cole

18 Jason Hodges

24 Kelly Edwards

Nora Foster

Ariella Gibson

Pat Taylor

25 Ray Byers

26 Sarah Tatum

27 Ed Cole

### DECEMBER

01 Ashton Payne

02 Joe Dilday

Joe Schmierer

03 Tissy Byers

Todd Huband

04 Kass Spitzley

05 Martha Everett

Claire Gibson

Henry Hassell

07 Emma Bradley

## NOVEMBER CALENDAR

### MONTHLY SCHEDULE

08 Fall Festival

Hearing Loss Association

09 Charge Conference

10 Ruth Robertson Friendship Circle

11 Mary Farmer Circle of Love

Finance Committee Meeting

14 Mariners Dinner

15 Celebration of Life of Bud Burke

18 Beulah's Best

Prayer Shawl

Methodist Men's Dinner

19 Chili Cook Off

20 Evening With Bishop Mark Webb

22 Youth Group Thanksgiving

25 Springdale Bible Study

27 Thanksgiving Office Closed

28 Office Closed

29 First Sunday of Advent

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

#### Sunday

8:30 Worship Service

9:45 Sunday School

11:00 Worship Service

Children's Church

11:30 Escuela Dominical

1:00 Hispanic Worship

3:00 Musical Rehearsals

5:00 Youth Group

7:00 Youth Band Rehearsal

#### Monday

10:00 Card Ministry

Men's Bible Study

5:00 Women's Chorus

6:00 Bells of Praise

7:00 Scouts

#### Tuesday

6:00 Hispanic Bible Study

6:30 Cub Scouts

#### Wednesday

1:00 Staff Meeting

5:00 C & Y Bells Rehearsal

6:00 Wednesday Worship Meal

#### Thursday

6:00 Beulah Land Quartet Rehearsal

7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal