



Open Hearts \* Open Minds \* Open Doors

# Foundry

United Methodist Church



I would like to thank all 23 blood donors who showed up at our blood drive in the youth building. We wound up with 26 units of product which was over our goal. Hoping to be back in Ebert hall in July for our summer drive with fresh cooked barbecue.

God Bless, Scott

### *Those On Our Prayer List for This Month*

#### In the Hospital or Home Recuperating

Linda Way 322 Tomahawk Trail Virginia Beach, VA 23454

Fran and Roger Clarke 633 West Lynn Shores Circle Va Beach, VA 23452

Burgess Allison 3210 Dunnbury Court Virginia Beach, VA 23453

#### On our Continuing Care List

Betty Gallup 761 Alliance Drive, #313 Virginia Beach, VA 23454

#### In Our Military or Away

Justin and Jessica (Richardson) Krizek 10337 Carninito Surabaya  
San Diego, CA 92131

Andrew VanVleet #1428524 Lawrenceville Correctional Center  
1607 Planters Road Lawrenceville, VA 23868

#### Sympathy to

Kathy Corbitt (of the loss of her mother, Shirley)  
728 Prince Charles Lane, Virginia Beach, VA 23452



I would like to thank everyone who sent cards, thoughts and prayers for me at Christmas. Thanks, Ron Chinnock

I would like to thank everyone for the cards, calls, thoughts and prayers sent to me after my fall.

Elaine Hudson

### *General Fund Offerings for the Last 4 Weeks:*

|          |             |
|----------|-------------|
| Actual   | \$ 8,399.00 |
| Budgeted | \$23,704.00 |

### *Needed for the Lighthouse:*

Bottles of Water  
Gatorade

## From Your Lay Leader

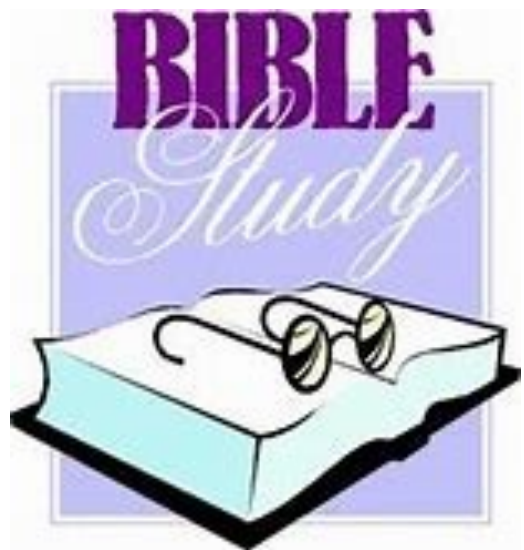
Foundry Family and Friends,

I wanted to share some Bible verses I recently read about faith, love and hope – from the apostle Paul to the Christian church in Thessalonica. He was proud of them for keeping the faith in their midst of struggles. Fast forward to today – what about us this past year? Certainly, every one of us has had struggles. Paul's words were: (1 Thessalonians 1:3) "...we remember your work that comes from faith, your effort that comes from love, and your perseverance that comes from hope". The message in this study mentioned these three things: 1) the witness of a layperson is of invaluable worth when compared to the words of a preacher, 2) love should always be looking for new opportunities to help other persons and new ways to grow stronger through service, and 3) we can persevere in our faith with the hope of seeing Jesus in everyone that we serve, or meet or ministry with together. Ponder this message and stay in prayer for each other and for our church. With our faith (and maybe only with our faith) we can remain positive and move forward together towards more normalcy in our lives again.

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# From Your Chairperson – Finance

Foundry Family and Friends,

Welcome to 2021. That's how I started my recent letter to many of you related to my new role as Finance Chairperson for this year. If you did not receive the letter, please contact Kathy in the church office (or myself) for a copy. My belief (and certainly my prayer) is that this year will be better than 2020 for all of us.

Have you ever wondered how much it costs to operate and support a church? Our church? Foundry church? Maybe you know. Maybe you don't know. Maybe you want to know. Maybe you're not interested in knowing. I believe you should know. So below is a summary of all our 2021 financial obligations and operating costs, most of which are expected to be paid on a monthly basis. Of course, with the continued virus pandemic, some budget items changed and some were put on hold. But salaries and most building up-keep costs continue every month. So, continue to pray for our church and continue to provide your support as best you can. Whatever this new year may bring to us, my believe (and certainly my prayer) is that it will be better than 2020. [With our faith \(and maybe only with our faith\) we can remain positive and move forward together towards more normalcy in our lives again.](#)

| 2021 Annual Budget:        |            | Current Status:   |  |
|----------------------------|------------|-------------------|--|
| VA Conference Obligations  | \$ 49,532  | Trying to pay     |  |
| Local District Obligations | \$ 3,792   | Trying to pay     |  |
| Trustees (Building Upkeep) | \$ 81,800  | Continues         |  |
| Administration (Office)    | \$ 10,600  | Continues         |  |
| Staff Salaries (7 Staff)   | \$ 148,000 | 3 staff currently |  |
| Education                  | \$ 4,100   | On hold           |  |
| Youth/Young Adult          | \$ 3,550   | On hold           |  |
| Missions (Missionary)      | \$ 1,850   | Trying to pay     |  |
| Worship Service            | \$ 3,925   | Some on hold      |  |
| Outreach Ministries        | \$ 1,000   | Some on hold      |  |
| Total Annual Budget        | \$ 308,149 |                   |  |
|                            |            |                   |  |
| Monthly Budget             | \$ 25,679  |                   |  |
| Weekly Budget              | \$ 5,926   |                   |  |



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## VOLUNTEERS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2021

### USHERS

- 1st           **Head Usher: Terry Huling**  
Doug and Elaine Hudson, David Way, Beth Workman
- 2nd           **Head Usher: Jim VanArnam**  
Bill and Jamie Shedlock, Nelson Gabriel, David Gillum
- 3rd           **Head Usher: Doug Hudson**  
Gary and Sandy Grover, Watkins Bracey
- 4th           **Head Usher: Bill Crosby**  
Martha Watson, Doug and Elaine Hudson, David Gillum
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There will be a UMM Meeting on Saturday,  
February 6th at 8:30 a.m. in the Youth Building.



**"A day without prayer is a day  
without blessing, and a life  
without prayer is a life without  
power." - Edwin Harvey**

**"The Lord is near to all who call on Him." Psalm 145**

### **DAILY ZOOM PRAYER - DID YOU KNOW?**

Pastor Matt hosts a daily Zoom prayer time at 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. You are invited to submit prayer requests to him whether you are able to participate or not. Prayer requests should be designated "please share" or "private" so he knows how to treat them during prayer time with the Zoom participants. Please contact Pastor Matt at 757.374.2244 (cell) by call or text, or by email to [mattpotter@vaumc.org](mailto:mattpotter@vaumc.org) to submit your requests and/or for more information about how to obtain the Zoom meeting login and password information.



### ***February Birthdays***

- |    |                      |
|----|----------------------|
| 01 | Dean Krizek          |
|    | Crystal Wilson-Smith |
| 02 | Nathan Heath         |
|    | Kaya VanArnam        |
| 03 | Lauren John          |
|    | Bobby John           |
| 04 | Denise Harless       |
| 07 | Leah Gutierrez       |
| 08 | June Leach           |
|    | Elayne Powell        |
| 09 | Lynn Hollandsworth   |
|    | Samantha Leturgey    |
|    | Mary Moore           |
|    | Kayla Page           |
|    | Jason Richardson     |
|    | Rene Timms           |
| 11 | Mia Adkins           |
|    | Kaira Ricks          |
|    | Martha Self          |
| 12 | David-Kurt Way       |
| 15 | Karen Sanders        |
|    | Bill Shedlock        |
|    | Michael Woolridge    |
| 16 | Bill Crosby          |
| 17 | Amy Bell             |
|    | Matthew Coufal       |
| 20 | Rachel Hummel        |
|    | Gabriel Timms        |
|    | Carolyn Umphlett     |
| 22 | Christopher Harless  |
| 24 | Andrea Betz          |
|    | Nelson Gabriel       |
| 25 | David Kim            |
| 28 | Jack Precythe        |
|    | MaryBeth Waite       |
| 29 | Burgess Allison      |