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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 A.M. ROBIN CLASS
11:00 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP

CHURCH STAFF

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## Cradock Baptist Church...

Helping people to connect with God & with each other

### MONTH-AT-A-GLANCE

July 31 - August 4 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Submerged Vacation Bible School

<u>August 1</u> - 7:00 p.m. Cradock Civic League @ Community Center

August 2 - NO ADULT BIBLE STUDY

<u>August 6</u> - 11:00 a.m. Singing Beez & VBS Recognition

12:15 p.m. Ice Cream Social

<u>August 12</u> - 9:00 a.m. Deacons' Mtg. & Outreach to new residents of our community

<u>August 13</u> - 8:30 a.m. Deacon Breakfast w/ Dr. Randy Ashcraft from CFHC

11:00 a.m. Dr. Ashcraft will deliver message

12:15 p.m. Lunch with Q & A session

August 16 - Business Meeting

**August 17** - Deadline for Newsletter

August 18 - 7:00 p.m. Movie Night

<u>August 19</u> - 10:00 a.m. PBA WMU Leadership Team Meeting at Churchland Baptist

<u>August 26</u> - 10:00 a.m. Storehouse Distribution



Sharing Cradock Baptist Church's Facebook postings is a valuable way to share our church and its ministry with others. Please take a look periodically and share calendar entries, specific ministries like Vacation

entries, specific ministries like Vacation Bible School and our Forty Days of Prayer.

If you have information to post on our Facebook or ideas for additional ways to reach others through our Facebook and website, please let us know.

FREE MOVIE NIGHT FRIDA Y



AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>
7:00 P.M.
(BRING A GOODIE TO SHARE)
ADULTS NEEDED FOR

#### STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

The strategic planning committee continues to focus on Sunday, August 13 and our time with Dr. Randy Ashcraft from the Center for Healthy Churches. Dr. Ashcraft will join the deacons for breakfast at 8;30 a.m., share his message during the morning worship service and then join us for lunch and further discussion of the CFHC proposal.

We are also involved in Vacation Bible School preparation and will be serving as volunteers.

The committee is involved in an outreach effort that includes the mailing of letters welcoming new residents to the Cradock community. The letters will be followed up by our deacons on August 12 as they deliver bags filled with information about our church to the new residents.



If you have suggestions for additional outreach programs, please let us know



# NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2017



Boy has this year already gone by fast! August is upon us.

Our Vacation Bible School will be held July 31 through August 4 from 6-8 p.m. each evening. The theme this year is *Submerged*, finding the truth below the surface. If you have not gotten involved yet, I hope you will consider either volunteering to help during the evenings or by providing the supplies needed.

Ministering to the children of our community is very important!

Also on Saturday, August 12, the deacons and anyone who wants to participate will gather at 12:00 noon to deliver "welcome bags" to new residents of our community. A letter was previously sent out welcoming them to the community and inviting them to worship at Cradock Baptist Church. This will be a personal follow up visit, to let them know they are wanted in our church. Come and be a part of our outreach efforts to our community.

In addition to those activities this summer, we will welcome Dr. Randy Ashcraft to our church on Sunday, August 13. He will meet with the deacons for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and then minister to us in the morning worship service. Following the worship service, we will meet in the upper social hall for a light lunch followed by a short presentation from Dr. Ashcraft from The Center for Healthy Churches. Afterwards he will be open to answer any questions about the process of how they can guide struggling churches in designing their plan for the future using their own strengths. This will include developing ways our church can reach out to our community effectively. I sincerely hope you plan to attend as this is very important for our church to be able to move forward instead of backward!

In His Service, Pastor Dave Phillips

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# **Musical Notes**



The Beez are coming! The Beez are coming! ..... The "Singing Beez," that is. They are the group of ladies I have the privilege of working with on Monday mornings at the Beazley Senior Center. Presently we have from 10-15 ladies who range in age from 91 years to mid-fifties. Most sing in their church choir each week. The Beez are privileged to sing at many of our assisted living and nursing homes, special programs of the Portsmouth Music Club, church senior adult gatherings and the Senior Adult Festival of Praise in Newport News when Bob Burroughs was the guest conductor. Our programs vary according to our audiences but usually includes sacred music along with Broadway tunes, music from the WWII era, patriotic music, pop and even some jazz.

Since the month of August is their "summer break," we'll be fortunate to have them sing for us on Sunday morning, August 6. They will provide a patriotic prelude to our worship service and then share a couple of sacred songs. Cradock is well represented in this group by Carolyn Christensen, Shirley Barker and Ernestine Cary. Our wonderful accompanist, Rebecca Padrick, is also accompanist for Fairview Heights Baptist and won't be able to be with us that day but fortunately Tristi will be stepping in ....which is a treat within itself. The Beez will also be singing at Emily Green Shores on Wednesday, August 2, to help our WMU with the birthday party for the residents.

The Beez are looking forward to being with us and I'm looking forward to sharing this special group with you, my Cradock Family.

*Jackie* 

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# CRADOCK BAPTIST CHURCH ON MISSION FOR CHRIST

The ladies on Monday evenings continue to meet and to loom, crochet, and knit hats and scarves for the various mission projects of the Portsmouth Baptist Association (Seafarer's Kits, Eastern Shore and Standing Rock). There are as many as ten ladies some nights who represent four different churches from our association. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, they meet at 6:30 p.m. Also, if you have yarn you are no longer going to use, they would be glad to make it into something beautiful and useful.

There will be a PBA WMU Leadership meeting on Saturday, August 19, at 10:00 a.m. at Churchland Baptist Church. All leaders should attend as this is the planning meeting for the year.

#### FINANCIAL CORNER

The Lord continues to answer our prayers for the financial health of Cradock Baptist Church. As you can see, for the first six months of the year expenses exceeded income by only \$2.147.23.

Income (tithes and offerings):

*\$57,282.52* 

Expenses (payroll, utilities, etc.):

*\$59,429.75* 

Net Operating Total (income less expenses):

(\$ 2,147.23)

While actual expenses total \$59,429.75 for January 1 - June 30, the budget is \$64,992.00 confirming that our expenses year to date are \$5,562.25 under our projected budget.

Thank you all for your prayers and dedicated support of this ministry.



# Finding Truth Below the Surface

As kids are submerged in God's Word, they will discover that Jesus saw people differently. He saw people for who they were deep down, not who they appeared to be on the surface. Kids will look below the surface to find the truth about how Jesus sees them.

#### THE DIVE BEGINS:

Monday, July 31, to Friday, August 4 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Ages Pre-K4 - Grade 6

Join us for food (dinner is served nightly), fun, fellowship, Bible stories and crafts.

Family Night is Friday, August 4, at 6:00 p.m.

On Sunday, August 6, we will recognize our VBS attendees during the morning worship service at 11:00 a.m. Immediately following the worship service we will have an ice cream social.



# August's Birthdays

- 6 Erin Bracy
- 12 Clara Land
- 17 Stephen Jenkins
- 18 Arline Roark
- 24 Bill Cooke
- 25 Aline Hartsell
- 27 Alma Porter
- 31 Jackie Phillips

### August's Anniversaries

- 8 Chris & Carrie Allsbrook
- 12 LeRoy & Shirley Hartung
- 21 Vann & Ruth Underwood

### The Log in Your Eye

This humorous illustration of how *not* to get along at college also demonstrates Jesus' teaching in Matthew 7:3-5.

A young man from Scotland went to study at an English university. A month into the school year, his mother visited and asked how he liked living in the dorm. "It's awful!" he exclaimed. "The fellow in the room next door bangs his head on the wall constantly, and the one on the other side screams all day."

"How do you stand it?" his mother asked in amazement.

"Oh, I ignore them," her son replied. "I just sit here quietly, playing my bagpipes."



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"August is like the Sunday of summer," an online meme proclaims. But that means different things to different people.

If you see Sunday as the end of a week - a chance to sleep in, do "nothing," relax and play - then August might be your downtime at the end of a busy summer. If Sunday feels heavy because the onslaught of the workweek is approaching, then August may carry the dread of falling leaves and falling temperatures.

But if you view Sunday as a fresh start to the week, then August, with a new school year and new church programming around the corner, can be exciting. And if you honor Sunday as the Sabbath, indeed "August is like the Sunday of summer." God invites us to enjoy these holy days and give thanks to him, the Creator of all seasons.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – 7/31-8/4 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.	31 6-8 PM VBS	1 6-8 PM VBS 7:00 PM Cradock Civic League	2 6-8 PM VBS NO CHOIR REHEARSAL	3 6-8 PM VBS	4 6:00 PM VBS Family Night Church Office Closed	5
6 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Robin Class 11:00 AM Worship Service w/Singing Beez 12:15 PM Ice Cream Social	7 6:00 PM Knitting Nights	8	9 6:00 PM Youth 6:30 PM Prayer & Bible Study 7:30 PM CHOIR REHEARSAL	10	11 Church Office Closed	12 9:00 AM Deacons Mtg.
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