



# CRADOCK BAPTIST CHURCH

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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

DAVID L. PHILLIPS, PASTOR  
JACKIE PHILLIPS, MUSIC DIRECTOR  
TRISTI CHAN, PIANIST/ORGANIST  
DEBORAH BALCH, ADMIN. SECRETARY

## Cradock Baptist Church . . .

*Helping people to connect with God & with each other*

### MONTH-AT-A-GLANCE

**October 3** - 7:00 p.m. Cradock Civic League

**October 7** - 7:00 a.m. OIAM Kickoff at Portsmouth City Park  
9:00 a.m. OIAM Blitz at various sites

**October 8** - 98th Anniversary  
12:15 p.m. After-church Social  
3:00 p.m. OIAM Celebration at Horizon

**October 9** - Columbus Day  
Church Office Closed



**October 14** - 9:00 a.m. Deacons' Meeting

**October 16** - Deadline for reservations for WMU to be phoned in.

**October 18** - Deadline for Newsletter  
6:30 p.m. Business Meeting

**October 19** - 6:30 p.m. PBA WMU Fall Celebration at River Shore Baptist Church.

**October 20** - 7:00 p.m. Movie Night

**October 24** - 6:30 p.m. PBA Fall Celebration at TBA

**October 28** - 10:00 a.m. Storehouse Distribution  
2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Fall Festival

**October 31** - Halloween



### Digital Committee

The digital committee is once again recording the audio component of the Sunday morning worship service. The CD's will be mailed to our current list of homebound members who have expressed an interest in receiving the recording. If you are not receiving a copy and would like to be added to the distribution list, please let us know by calling the church office at 485-3500.

If you would like to be added to the email distribution list for the monthly newsletter, please let us know by calling the church office. Also, if you have suggestions regarding our church website or Facebook, we always welcome new ideas.



Standing: Clara Land, Frankie Moss, Ruth Buck, Phyllis Carruthers. Seated: Mary Lee Upton, Aline Hartsell, Shirley Barker

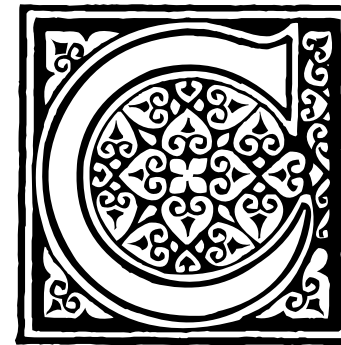
**FREE  
MOVIE NIGHT  
FRIDAY**



**OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>  
7:00 P.M.  
(BRING A GOODIE TO  
SHARE)  
ADULTS NEEDED FOR  
SUPERVISION**

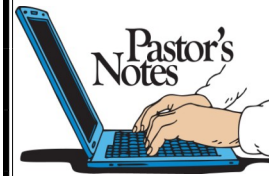
### GLEANERS/ RUTH CLASS

The Gleaners/Ruth Class had lunch on September 5th at C & B Diner. We had a nice surprise - the waitress said, "A nice man paid for all your lunches". We were all in awe and very appreciative of his generosity.



# NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2017



Our church has many decisions to make both now and in the future as to the direction we take that is in the best interest of our church. What are our core ministries; how do we minister to our community; how do we make the most of our dwelling resources; and what are our strongest assets?

Obviously our community has and is changing with new houses and a somewhat transit population. This is in part why we have been talking to the Center for Healthy Churches to help us discern and see what the best course of action should be. But let us not forget Whose Church it is, The Lord's, and thus when we seek His guidance nothing is impossible because all the resources we will ever need lies with Him.

A verse that comes to mind is Proverbs 3:5-6 which reads, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding; think about Him in all your ways, and He will guide you on the right paths." When we trust in our plans alone, we are at a great disadvantage because we have limited resources. But when we Trust in the Lord God Almighty, we have unlimited resources because He is the Great Creator and Nothing is impossible with Him. Besides, Cradock Baptist Church is His Church and He loves His Church and wants it to prosper. Thus it only makes sense that we consult the Creator and let Him guide us and He will never lead us astray. As the verse reminds us, "Trust in the Lord with All your Heart, and do not rely on your own understanding." When we trust only in where we think the Lord is leading us and do not consult and trust the Lord Jesus Christ, it is no wonder our plans seldom if ever pan out. With the Lord we can do ANYTHING but relying only on ourselves we can do NOTHING!  
In His Service, *Pastor Dave*

## Musical Notes

We are in the process of planning something a bit different for Christmas this year: "A CRADOCK FAMILY CHRISTMAS" which we hope will include ALL of our CBC family in one way or another. Please give thought to each of the following questions, along with any others you might have and give us your suggestions. This will appear as a bulletin insert soon which you can fill out and give back to us OR you can use the form below.

### LOOKING AHEAD TO A CBC FAMILY CHRISTMAS

What are your favorite Christmas Carols? Other favorite Christmas songs we can use in church? Would you be willing to:

Read a scripture                      Play a choir chime                      Rhythm sticks  
Triangle                                      Small drum                                      Other?

Would you be willing to share your favorite Christmas Carol with us and tell us why it's your favorite - or - if it has a special memory for you? Is there any specific instrument you would like to hear during Christmas?

Violin, Oboe, French Horn, Flute, Guitar or other???? \_\_\_\_\_ (Circle your choice(s))

YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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### In Memoriam

1931 - 2017

**Grace M.  
Armistead**

You will receive this form to complete as a bulletin insert in the near future.



**CRADOCK BAPTIST CHURCH ON MISSION FOR CHRIST**

It is time again for Operation Inasmuch - Saturday, October 7. The kickoff is at 7:00 a.m. at Portsmouth City Park. The mission projects will be done at various locations throughout the city.

October 8 is Global Hunger Emphasis. Let's bring a can or two of food to our storehouse.

On Thursday, October 19, at 6:30 p.m. at River Shore Baptist. There is no charge as we are having finger foods but reservations are required by Monday, October 16. Please see Micky Evans for reservations.

**Strategic Planning Committee**

The committee continues to focus on ministries of the church. Current opportunities include collecting Bibles for the Hampton Roads Regional Jail, continuing communication with the Her Shelter regarding use of space for donations for their residents, mailings to new Cradock residents inviting them to join us, and supporting the youth and children's ministry on Wednesday nights. We continue to focus on being a "think tank" for additional ministries reaching out to the Cradock community. If you have suggestions for us, please let us know.

If you have a minute on a Wednesday night at 6:00 pm, come and take a look in the downstairs social hall at what God is doing in the youth/children's ministry of this church. On average, we provide dinner for 20 to 25 youth & children each Wednesday night. Following dinner and fellowship, the children join Linda Mathews and Shirley Allsbrook for Bible study, memory verses, music and more. The older youth are led by Erin Bracy and Teena Wise. What a joy to see so many children and youth enjoying fellowship, food and learning so much about the Lord. Thank you to all who are supporting the Wednesday night youth & children's ministry! We are praying that this ministry will encourage the youth and children to join us on Sunday mornings for Sunday school!

Members of the SPC committee include Shirley Allsbrook, Jeannette Fritts, Phyllis Kraatz, Linda Matthews, Jackie Phillips, John Stone and Billie Sue Taylor.

**FINANCIAL CORNER**

For the period January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017

Income (tithes, offerings, etc.):	\$76,987.57
Expenses (salaries, utilities, etc.)	\$82,175.86
Net Operating Total (income minus expenses):	(\$5,188.29)

Summary: Expenses exceeded our income by \$5,188.29

The stewardship committee thanks you for your continued dedication and support of the ministry of our church. As we turn our focus to next year's budget, we ask that you pray with us and for us as we dedicate ourselves to being good stewards of the gifts given to this church. Thank you for entrusting us with this responsibility. If you have questions or suggestions regarding the upcoming budget or the financials of the church in general, please let us know. It takes a church!

**GOD'S LEFT HAND**



A six-year-old and his grandma went for a walk one autumn day. "Look at the gorgeous leaves!" Grandma exclaimed. "Just think, God painted each one of them just for us!"

"Yep," said her grandson, "and he did it left-handed."

Perplexed, Grandma asked, "Why do you think God used his left hand to create all this beauty?"

"Because," said the boy matter-of-factly, "we learned in Sunday school that Jesus sits on God's right one."



**October's Birthdays**

- 1 Ruth Underwood
- 4 Ronnie Jones
- 5 Micky Evans
- 7 Shirley Allsbrook
- 8 Carolyn Christensen  
Bernice Deal
- 22 Mary Ellen Jones
- 29 Jennifer Evans

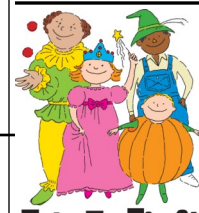
**October's Anniversaries**

- 1 Ernest & Esther Ward-Cassell
- 15 David & Jackie Phillips



**Restock the SHELVES**

Please donate to the storehouse as the colder months are approaching along with the holidays and this brings in more requests for assistance. Monetary donations are welcomed also.



**Fall Festival**

On Saturday, 10/28, we will sponsor a Fall Festival for the children of our community from 2-4 p.m. in the Activity Center. Volunteers are need to help with the activities. Also, lots of candy will be needed. If you can help with either, contact Erin Bracy.



**God's World**

O world, I cannot hold thee close enough!  
 Thy winds, thy wide gray skies!  
 Thy mists, that roll and rise!  
 Thy woods, this autumn day, that ache and sag  
 And all but cry with color! That gaunt crag  
 To crush! To lift the lean of that black bluff!  
 World, world! I cannot get thee close enough!

-Edna St. Vincent Millay

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Robin Class 11:00 AM Worship Service	<b>2</b> 6:00 PM Knitting Nights	<b>3</b> 7:00 PM Cradock Civic League (DAV)	<b>4</b> 6:00 PM Youth 6:30 PM Prayer & Bible Study 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	<b>5</b> 5:30 PM Acteens	<b>6</b>  Church Office Closed	<b>7</b> 7:00 OIAM Missions Blitz Kickoff at City Park
<b>8</b> 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Robin Class 11:00 AM Worship Service 3:00 p.m. OIAM Celebration at Horizon Community Global Hunger Emphasis	<b>9</b>  Columbus Day Church Office Closed	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 6:00 PM Youth 6:30 PM Prayer & Bible Study 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	<b>12</b> 5:30 PM Acteens	<b>13</b>  Church Office Closed	<b>14</b> 9:00 AM Deacons Mtg.  Come Home to Cradock
<b>15</b> 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Robin Class 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:15 PM 98th Anniversary Social	<b>16</b> 6:00 PM Knitting Nights  WMU Fall Celebration Reservations Due	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 6:00 PM Youth 6:30 PM Business Mtg. 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal Newsletter Deadline	<b>19</b> No Acteens 6:30 PM WMU Fall Celebration (finger foods) @ River Shore	<b>20</b> 7:00 PM Movie Night  Church Office Closed	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Robin Class 11:00 AM Worship Service	<b>23</b> 6:00 PM Knitting Nights	<b>24</b> 6:30 PM PBA Fall Celebration @ TBA	<b>25</b> 6:00 PM Youth 6:30 PM Prayer & Bible Study 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	<b>26</b> 5:30 PM Acteens	<b>27</b>  Church Office Closed	<b>28</b> 10:00 AM Storehouse Distribution 2:00 PM Fall Celebration
<b>29</b> 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Robin Class 11:00 AM Worship Service	<b>30</b> 6:00 PM Knitting Nights	<b>31</b>	<b>Deacon of the Week: 10/1 – Carolyn Christensen, 10/8 – Jeff Kinkead, 10/15 – Thelma Carr, 10/22 - Micky Evans and 10/29 – Phyllis Kraatz.</b>			