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THE GATHERING at SCOTT MEMORIAL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



July 2016

The Gift of Blood is the Gift of Life

On Sunday, June 26, 2016, The Gathering at Scott Memorial held a blood drive during all three services. This was especially meaningful with the victims & families of the recent Orlando shooting in our hearts & prayers.

The Red Cross Blood Drive was a huge success! A total of 35 units of blood were donated on Sunday, June 26th. The Chesapeake Life Group would like to thank everyone who donated blood, as well as those who attempted to donate. We are grateful for the volunteers and everyone's patience as we were running behind schedule. We hope to make this an annual

event! Please join us in prayer this summer for the many people whose lives will be saved through these generous gifts.



Kayvon Hosseinipoor, SPRC Chair

YOUTH MISSIONS TRIP

The youth group will be traveling to Atlanta, GA **July 10 - 16** for a mission trip focusing on homeless outreach. We will be the hands & feet of God as we hit the streets of downtown Atlanta to bring smiles to the faces of individuals experiencing homelessness. We will help with a variety of activities at different shelters including serving meals, playing games, painting nails, singing karaoke, etc. Please pray that our hearts would be open to what God has for us.

Church Events

- **July 10 - 16** - Youth Group Missions Trip
- **July 14** - "God & the NY Times" begins
- **July 16** - Couple's Night Out
- **July 23** - Parent's Morning Out
- **July 26** - Immersion Bible Study begins
- **July 31** - YUMS Bon Voyage Bon Fire
- **Aug. 8 -12** - VBS 9 am- 11:30 am
- **Aug. 9** - UMW Flea Market
- **Aug. 25 -27** - Adult Missions trip to Waverly, VA

NEW SUMMER SMALL GROUP 2016



**Thursdays July 14 - Aug. 4 at three
different locations. Childcare provided.**

This small group is designed to create a space for safe, open dialogue about some topics that are drawing attention in the news so that we can better understand these issues through the lens of our faith in Christ. Topics will be announced on Facebook & on the app on Wednesdays and could include international and national subjects ranging from Brexit to gun control or the prison industrial complex and local issues like the light rail. If you have a particular preference for a discussion, please let us know! Hope to see you there!



VB FEST JUNE 22 - 29

Housing Homeless Families at the Gathering at Scott Memorial UMC

VB FEST (Virginia Beach Family Emergency Shelter Team) was amazing! We welcomed three families as overnight guests from June 22nd - 29th. There were three mom's and four kids. One of the mom's had two little girls, a 15 month old and one who is almost three. There was also an 11 year old boy and a 16 year old girl. Each of them had different circumstances, but all of them have hope for the future and a positive outlook on life. They're doing the best they can to take care of their families.

We had plenty of food donations for breakfast and lunch. We had 17 volunteers. Ann Honeycutt and

Megan Hosseinipoor came a few mornings to serve breakfast bright and early. We had a few really awesome activities: Angela Walters and Kim Ober provided fun crafts, Brett Thompson came and did a Jiu Jitsu demonstration, and Paul Michaelian did a golf night. Many of the nights we spent time sitting around talking or playing Jenga with AJ, the 11 year old. We are so thankful for our overnight volunteers and dinner teams! It was amazing to be able to provide safety and shelter for these amazing people. It would never have been possible without the volunteers willingness to serve and share life with out guests.

*-Devon Blair
Pastoral Summer Intern*

ADULT SUMMER MISSIONS TRIP



We are looking for 24 volunteers for an adult mission trip to Waverly, Virginia to help with damage done in February of this year by tornadoes. Work to include building/painting/construction work. No prior experience is necessary. The cost of the trip is \$50 per person and includes food, lodging, t-shirt, and insurance. Please contact Michele Michaelian, 757-642-1571 with questions.

Upcoming Events

New Sermon Series for July : “God & Golf”

P.G. Wodehouse once said, "To find a true man's character, play golf with him." Paul Michaelian, PGA golf pro, shares spiritual life lessons from golf while Pastor Rachel explores each theme in more depth. Join us in July as we learn about the importance of balance and tempo, mulligans, avoiding hazards, and focusing on the short game!

Thursday, July 14: New Small Group “God and the New York Times”:

In this group we address current day issues like immigration, capital punishment, and healthcare reform. This group meets beginning July 14- Aug. 4. at three different locations. Childcare provided.

- Thursdays, 10 am – 11 am at **the church** (409 First Colonial Rd.) Childcare provided.
- Thursdays 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm at **Brixx** (1909 Landstown Centre Way #170, Va. Beach) in Landstown. Childcare provided at the Houser’s home nearby.
- Thursdays 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm at **Keegan’s Town Center** (244 Market St, Va. Beach). Childcare provided at the Schwartz’s home nearby.

Saturday, July 16, 5 pm - 8 pm

Couple’s Night Out

The night begins with a short 20 minute meditation on marriage and then you can head out for a date. Please be back by 8 pm. Open to the first 10 families/30 children to RSVP to office@gatheratscott.com

Saturday, July 23, 9 am - 12 pm

Parent’s Morning Out @ 409 First Colonial Rd.

If you are a solo parent right now because your spouse is deployed or you are a single parent, we want to help support and encourage you! Please RSVP for this event to office@gatheratscott.com

Tuesday, July 26 @ 6:30 pm

Immersion Bible Study:

This study runs July 26-Sept. 6 on Tuesday nights from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm @ the church. Childcare provided. The study will coincide with a sermon series on the same topic of Colossians and 1 & 2 Thessalonians. The study will be led by Pastor Rachel and summer intern, Devon Blair. **Contact: Pastor Rachel, rachel@gatheratscott.com. If you are interested in attending this study, please sign-up in front of the office or email office@gatheratscott.com**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Church Family

Betty Mills	Naomi Mitchell
Jill Moore	Joe Wise
Chris Ramsey & Family	Bettie White
Cindy Sager, daughter of Jean Schimmel	Harriet Van Blarcom
Ryan Swindell	Donniese Moose
Wilson Widgeon	Helma Jenkins
Pete & Johnnie Wright	Marta & Justin Gray & Family
George Schimmel	Dave & Carmen Colburn
Lennie Stokely	on birth of Michael Allan Colburn
Bobbie Gresham Family	
Ed & Lynn Allen	
Sandie Alsteen	

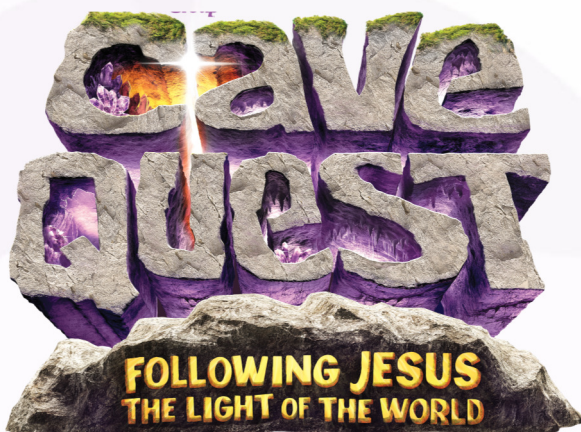
Friends & Relatives

Diane Berning	Agatha Sigley
Larry Caffee	Chad Stokely
Patricia Childers	Loretta Tate
Rose Dempsey	Marion Thomas
Janet Deham	Shirley Martwinski
Dwayne Einsphar	Sandy Vickers, Starke ‘FL
Jackie Ginn	Tony Reil
Al Gregg	Gloria Tripp
John Hendriksen	Elizabeth & Betty Rehpezl
Charlotte Biggs	Bill Carroll
Eloise Patterson	Mark Perron & family
Alan Reil	
Gene Sipe	

Missionaries

Kate & David O'Donnell
Vladi & Nadia Todorov
Georgi Boev

Vacation Bible School



August 8-12

9:00 am - 11:30 am

409 First Colonial Rd.

Register Online!

Deadline to register is August 1

At Cave Quest VBS, kids will learn more about the rock-solid foundation of God's love, a love that takes us through life's dark times. They will enjoy snacks, music, games, stories, and crafts where a simple Bible truth will be reinforced each day. This program is free of charge for all children ages 4-5th grade and will take place August 8-12 from 9 am -11:30am. If you would like to help, please contact **Tonya Barlow**, Tonya@gatheratscott.com or make a monetary donation towards the purchase of supplies.

Sunday Summer Services:

- 9:30 am (Experiential)
- 11 am (Traditional)

Church office hours:

Mon. & Tues. 9 am - 3 pm

Thurs. 9:30 am - 3 pm

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