



As you know, Mission Rivers District is hosting Annual Conference 2024 at the Hampton Roads Convention Center in Hampton from June 20 -22. That gives us just over two months to prepare to welcome the Virginia Conference to our district.

We want to put our very best face forward in June! That will require many lay volunteers from throughout the district to help welcome everyone to Hampton.

There are several areas where volunteers will be needed. We are asking you to prayerfully consider participation. Remember these ministry opportunities are for everyone, not just members to Annual Conference. Members are required to attend the business sessions which means that we have a great need for other laity to be involved as well.

We have created Volunteer Sign Up forms on SignUp Genius.

Golf Carts: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B054CAFA923A5F94-48914211-2024#/>
 Registration: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B054CAFA923A5F94-48913646-annual#/>
 Ushers: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B054CAFA923A5F94-48914918-2024#/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sunday, April 14, 2024

****WELCOME, VISITORS! We are happy to have you join us in worship today.****

Please be sure to sign the Welcome card found in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher. Thank you!

NURSERY is available for infants to 3-year-olds during the Sunday school hour and 11:00 service.
 The nursery is located in the main hallway between the office and fellowship hall.
Nursery volunteers are needed. WILL YOU HELP? Sign-up sheet is outside the nursery.

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY		
Sunday, April 14	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Worship (8:30 Informal; 11:00 Traditional)
	9:30 a.m.	SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFAST
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages
	12:15 p.m.	Prime Timers (WBFH)
	12:15 p.m.	Youth Missions Planning Meeting (Youth Room)
	4:00 p.m.	GNMCS: Glen Boswick & Sound of Swing Concert
Monday, April 15	5:30 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal (Mary Lotsey)
Tuesday, April 16	10:00 a.m.	Music Camp Planning Meeting (WBFH)
	7:00 p.m.	Administrative Council Called Meeting (WBFH)
Wednesday, April 17	10:00 a.m.	Mission Trip Planning Meeting (Friendship)
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Thursday, April 18	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Bazaar Workshop (WBFH)
	10:30 a.m.	Naomi Circle (Mary Lotsey)
	5:00 p.m.	Media Upgrade Team (Mary Lotsey)
	6:30 p.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary)
	7:00 p.m.	Bethany Bible Study (Friendship)
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Sunday, April 21	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Worship (8:30 Informal; 11:00 Traditional)
	9:30 a.m.	Celebrations & Fellowship
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages
	6:00 p.m.	Common Thread

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

General Conference is the top policy-making body of the United Methodist Church. The Conference meets every four years. This year the Conference meets at Charlotte, NC from April 23-May 3.

We are called to pray for God's will be done through the General Conference.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given for the glory of God and in honor of our 16th wedding anniversary by Martin and Doe Breen.

Open flower dates: 4/21, 4/28, 5/12.

Sign up on Flower Chart in main hallway or contact church office.

GEORGE NELSON MEMORIAL CONCERT SERIES

TODAY AT 4 PM

Glen Boswick and Sound of Swing Orchestra

Since 1977, The Sound of Swing Orchestra has been Hampton Roads' leading premiere big band swing dance orchestra. Specializing in the Big Band sounds of the 40's through today, this fourteen piece swing orchestra performs the exciting memorable sound classics of: Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Artie Shaw, Benny Goodman, Jan Savitt, Jimmy Lunsford, Les Brown, Les Elgart, Ray Anthony, Michael Buble, Doris Day, Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Rosemary Clooney, Linda Ronstadt, Harry Connick, Jr. and many more.

Bring a friend and come enjoy the music!

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL will have a called meeting on Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m.



APRIL 7 & 21 - 6-7:30PM
ALL ARE WELCOME

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Join us in the fellowship hall at 9:30 each Sunday for fellowship and celebration!

Birthdays

4/14 Betty Sue Varner, Genevieve Morris
4/16 Robert Blackwell
4/18 Rudy Shackelford
4/19 Crystal Thompson
4/20 Jon Kent, Stephen Leed

Anniversaries

4/20 K.D. & Kelly Cooper (28)

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the families of:

Cliff Beach, Bethany member, who passed on April 6.

Zachary Thomas Hoover, cousin of Samantha Hornsby, who passed on April 6.

Tammy Bourgoyne, cousin of Dee Dee Wike, who passed on April 6.

Evelyn Walker, Dee Dee's aunt, who passed on April 3.

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

Gentle Reminder – Bulletin submissions are due each Wednesday at noon. Please check the calendar and make sure to send announcements and alert the office of special events, fundraisers, etc. so that they can be handled in a timely manner. The church office is here to assist you in promoting your events, but it is the responsibility of each committee or group to contact the office to schedule events and write any announcements to be published in the bulletin, email blast, etc. The incoming Church Office Administrator will be unfamiliar with the flow of regular and seasonal activities, so DON'T ASSUME ANYTHING and PLEASE BE PROACTIVE in communicating with the office, especially with regard to things that may be out of the ordinary. Thank you.

Office Hours Are Changing – Beginning Wednesday, May 1, the church office will return to a five-day schedule. The new hours will be Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., closed from 12-1 p.m. for lunch and church errands.

The new schedule will take effect in May and will be published in the bulletin, on our website and Facebook pages, and in signage at our entrances.