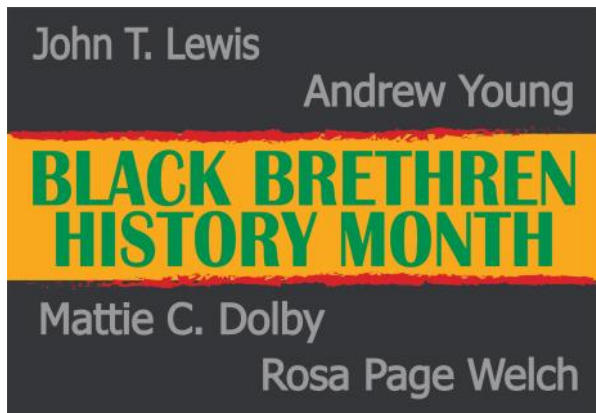


# West Richmond Church of the Brethren

# The Herald



## LENTEN DEVOTIONALS ARE HERE!

Did you see them in the Communications Center last Sunday? Some folks did and picked up their copy. This year's edition from Brethren Pre, by Beth Sollenberger, is entitled "Through Thick and Thin." It shares stories of God's presence in everyday people along the journey. It invites you to identify God's presence in the people you meet along your own journey. Enjoy these stories of how Christ's love and grace are revealed by those who are with us through thick and thin. This year several days' prayers translated into a variety of languages including Gujarati, Spanish, Navajo, Swahili, Haitian Kreyol, and Hausa.



## WHO'S READY FOR SOME SOUP?



In 1990, a church youth group founded the original Souper Bowl of Caring. The movement has since expanded from the faith community to many types of participating groups. They continue to be fueled by those coming together to worship and make a difference in their community.

Super Bowl Sunday is **February 11** and that's when we will have a friendly competition to be the Souper Bowl Champion of West Richmond. The title has been claimed most recently by Jori Carter, preceded by Thoko Lipato, Neria Shelton, and Anna Welch. Who will be this year's champion? Sign up **NOW** on the easel in the hallway (the same one for Worship Leader and Fellowship Host sign-up). We also need tasters – many tasters – to help determine our champ. Bring along cash to vote for your favorite soup. The proceeds go to charity. Questions? See Janet Brunk.



Begins Wednesday,  
February 14  
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**“We are now on our way to Jerusalem where the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the teachers of the Law of Moses. They will sentence him to death and hand him over to foreigners” (Mark 10:33 CEV).**

Jesus spoke to his disciples of his impending death not once but three times according to the Gospel of Mark. Jesus knew not only his fate but the fate of all humankind was caught up in the events that unfolded on the hill they called Golgotha.

His death on the cross is key to understanding salvation. But how, specifically?

I am excited that during this Season of Lent, we will begin a Bible study to discover the different ways the Bible describes how Jesus' death impacts humankind. The Bible uses many images to understand the meaning of Jesus' death and resurrection, and we will explore these images to achieve a richer understanding of our relationship to Jesus. By exploring the mystery of salvation through the cross, we can deepen our love for God and others and strengthen our commitment to follow Jesus.

We will discuss six different views of atonement, Substitutionary, Ransom, Moral Example, Reconciliation, Cleansing, and Christus Victor. Each view is biblically defended.

I want this opportunity to be as easy for you to participate in as possible. So, this will be a Zoom only Bible study beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 14, at 7 pm and continuing on Wednesdays through Lent up to Holy Week. You will simply need your Bible, your faith, and a means to connect to the zoom link I am sending you.

**WRCOB COB is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.**

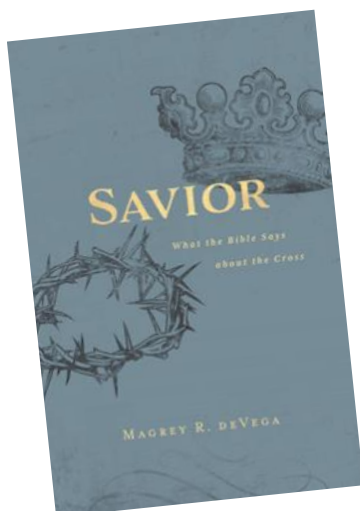
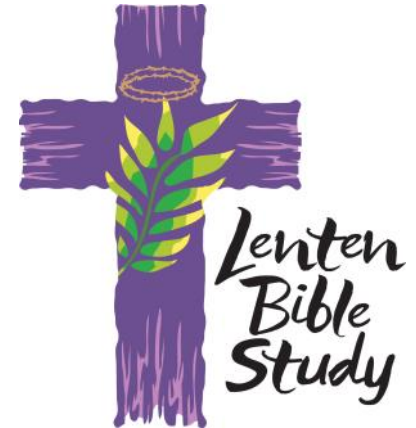
#### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83465205234?pwd=aUJMNldERmo4aVVbGphVzZ0ZC84dz09>

Meeting ID: 834 6520 5234

Passcode: 357844

As we approach the Season of Lent, please bless us with your wonderful presence as we come together over the Holy Scriptures to learn at the feet of our Wonderful Master, the One who came to save us. Amen.



*Pastor Dave*


# In Our Congregation



## VOCALISTS NEEDED FOR LENT (AND BEYOND)

There are many folks that “give up” things for Lent but we’d like West Richmond to “add” something for Lent – Choral Music!

Have you missed singing in a group? If so, Vanessa Morton is looking for you! Please contact her so that we can get things rolling!

**Free Yoga Class**  
6-7 pm Wednesday

Do you ever feel like the world is moving at a different pace than you? If this sounds relatable, come take an hour for yourself from **in February and March** to practice yoga. No experience is necessary. Just bring a mat, your breath, and your body. Questions? See Sarah Hartman.

## Family Movie Night

### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

We’ve got something super special lined up just for you! Join us for our second “Friendly Family Movie Night” of 2024. Last month we watched “Frozen”. It’s all about good times, great movies, and a whole lot of family fun. Showing **Friday, February 23 at 6:00 pm** in the Gathering Room. Not only that, but free popcorn and drinks to boot! Bring a lawn chair or blanket to settle in for the evening.

Since it is a family event, child care is not provided.

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Church Office (M-F)..... 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

If no one is in the office or the line is busy, voice mail will pick up, so **PLEASE** leave us a message. Items for the bulletin’s weekly newsheet **MUST** be submitted by **noon on Thursday** to the church office. All articles for the **March** edition of *The Herald* are due in the office by **Thursday, February 15, 2024.**

# February

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

- |                        |  |   |
|------------------------|--|---|
| 1.....Jonathan McCloud | 15..... <i>David &amp; Janet Brunk</i> | 26..... Emma Burton                       |
| 5.....Joe Martin       | 18..... Brian Skillen                  | 27..... Beth Martin                       |
| 11.....Zack Keithly    | 22..... Sarah (Ziegler) Hodkinson      | 27..... <i>Peter &amp; Amparito Brunk</i> |
| 14.....Ellie Hemenway  | 23..... Claire (Lynch) Bosman          |   |

Have we missed your birthday or anniversary? Please, contact the church office to correct our oversight.

























February	Greeter	Worship Leader	Fellowship Hosts	Tellers
4	Carol Goss	Thoko Lipato	Terrie & Carolyn	Joel & Dolly Guyer
11	Neria Shelton	Susan Robertson	Souper Bowl of Caring	Bob & Pat Gangwer
18	Dolly Guyer	Alyce Newman		Ann Andrus & Joel Guyer
25	Barbara Beers	Ann Andrus	Susan Robertson	Jeff Goss & Alyce Newman

### Weekly Statistics

Attendance	Dec. 3	Dec. 10	Dec. 17	Dec. 24	Dec. 31
Worship (total)	47	55	59	66	42
In-person & visitors	44	48	48	63	26
Live stream	3	7	11	3	16
On-line views that Friday	7	13	18	13	25
Offering per week	\$2,080.70	\$13,260.88	\$8,655.04	\$1,276.00	\$2,576.26
Attendance	Jan. 7	Jan. 14	Jan. 21	Jan. 28	
Worship (total)	42	39	36	41	
In-person & visitors	36	32	27	34	
Live stream	6	7	9	7	
On-line views that Friday	12	19	25		
Offering per week	\$2,338.75	\$1,518.00	\$17,475.00	\$670.00	



# February

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<p>John T. Lewis Andrew Young</p> <p><b>BLACK BRETHREN HISTORY MONTH</b></p> <p>Mattie C. Dolby Rosa Page Welch</p>				1	2   Groundhog Day Hilltop Preschool Closed	3
4 9:30 am Adult Sunday School 11:00 am Worship— Online/On Site with Nursery Care	5 9:30 am Friendship Café 1:00 pm Hilltop Board Meeting 3:00 pm Handbell Practice 	6  10:30 am Ladies Circle 5:15 pm Shelter on Hull Street 	7 9:30 am Friendship Café 6:00 pm Free Yoga 	8	9	10
11 9:30 am Adult Sunday School 11:00 am Worship— Online/On Site with  12:00 pm Souper Bowl of Caring	12 9:30 am Friendship Café 3:00 pm Handbell Practice 	13  10:30 am Ladies Circle 7:00 pm Leadership Team meeting (virtual) 	14 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> 9:30 am Friendship Café 6:00 pm Free Yoga 7:00 pm Lenten Bible Study (Virtual) <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15 Hilltop Preschool's "HeART to HeART" Art Show in the Gathering Room <i>Newsletter DEADLINE</i>	16	17
18  <b>First Sunday</b> IN LENT 9:30 am Adult Sunday School 11:00 am Worship— Online/On Site	19  <b>Presidents Day</b> WRCOB Offices, Henrico County Schools & Hilltop Preschool Closed	20  10:30 am Ladies Circle 12:30 pm FeedMore Community Kitchen  Henrico County Schools Closed	21 9:30 am Friendship Café 6:00 pm Free Yoga 7:00 pm Lenten Bible Study (Virtual)	22	22 6:00 pm <b>Family Movie Night</b> In the Gathering Room Childcare is not provided	24 
25  <b>Second Sunday</b> IN LENT 9:30 am Adult Sunday School 11:00 am Worship— Online/On Site with  	26 9:30 am Friendship Café 3:00 pm Handbell practice 	27  10:30 am Ladies Circle goes on the road to <b>MORNINGSIDE</b> IN THE WEST END (3000 Skipwith Rd, 23294) in their Jefferson Room	28 9:30 am Friendship Café 6:00 pm Free Yoga 7:00 pm Lenten Bible Study (Virtual)	29  6:30 pm Ladies Nite Out at Capital Ale House (13831 Village Place Dr, Midlothian, 23114) 		



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**2024  
SUMMER CAMP  
REGISTRATION  
IS OPEN!**

Click the link below to register for one (or more!) of our many summer camp options. Camps run June 9 - July 27 and include options for all ages and interests. We welcome the participation of children and youth of all faiths, traditions, races, and nationalities and believe Jesus's message of life, hope, love and unconditional acceptance. In small groups of 10-12 campers and 2-4 counselors (cabins separated by gender), campers play and learn together in an intentional Christian community as the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12). Trained counselors lead hundreds of active, fun, educational activities. Through these experiences, with Jesus as our hope, campers come to understand that their relationships with each other and all creation are precious to God and worthy of our active care. Our campers reside in rustic-comfortable cabins. Our camp is a safe, special place, and your children and teenagers will be happy campers!

## Camp Bethel 2024 Summer Camps

	<u>Younger Elementary</u> ages 5-8	<u>Older Elementary</u> ages 8-12	<u>Middle School Resident</u> ages 12-15	<u>Middle School Adventures</u> ages 12-15	<u>High School Resident &amp; Adv.</u> ages 15-18
Week 1 June 9-14	Mini Camp 1A (Sun-Tue) Mini Camp 1B (Wed-Fri)	Elm Resident 1 Elm Resident + Tube 1 Elm 3-Day 1 (Wed-Fri)	MS Resident 1 MS Resident + Tube 1	MS Adv WWRaft Tube 1 MS Adventure Tube 1 River Adv Program 1	HS Adv WWRaft Tube 1 River Adv Program 1
Week 2 June 16-21	Knee-High Day Camp 2	Elm Resident 2 Elm Resident + Eques 2 Elm Adventure 2	MS Resident 2 MS Resident + Eques 2	MS Adv Canoe Cave Climb 2	HS Resident 2 HS Resident + Tube 2 HS Resident + Eques 2 HS Adv Canoe Cave Climb 2
Week 3 June 23-28	Knee-High Day Camp 3	Elm Resident 3 Elm Resident + Tube 3 Elm Day Camp 3	MS Resident 3	MS Adv Climbing Combo 3 MS Adv Bike Canoe Climb 3 MS Adv Paddlesports 3	HS Adv Climbing Combo 3 HS Adv Bike Canoe Climb 3 HS Adv Paddlesports 3 Backpacking Trip 3
Week 4 June 30- July 5	Mini Camp 4 A (Sun-Tue) Mini Camp 4 B (Wed-Fri)	Elm Resident 4 Elm Resident + Eques 4 Elm 3-Day 4 (Wed-Fri)	MS Resident 4 MS Resident + Tube 4	MS Adv Cave Climb Tube 4	Mtns-Beach-Bay Trip 4
Week 5 July 7-12	Knee-High Day Camp 5	Elm Resident 5 Camp Too Sweet 5	MS Resident 5 Camp Too Sweet 5	MS Adv Canoe Tube 5	Camp Too Sweet 5
Week 6 July 14-19	Mini Camp 5 A (Sun-Tue) Mini Camp 5 B (Wed-Fri)	Elm Resident 6 Elm Resident + Eques 6 Elm Resident + Tube 6 Elm Adventure + Tube 6 Elm 3-Day 6 (Wed-Fri)	MS Resident 6 MS Resident + Eques 6	MS Adv Bike Canoe Tube 6 MS Adventure Tube 6	HS Adv Bike Canoe Tube 6
Week 7 July 21-26				MS Moonrise Adv 7 MS Adv Bike WWRaft 7 MS Adv Canoe Climb 7	HS Moonrise Adv 7 HS Adv Bike WWRaft 7 HS Adv Canoe Climb 7 Backpacking Trip 7

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