

# *The Church Mouse*

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GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH  
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## Worship Opportunity for Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup> Second Sunday of Easter

**Sermon Title: "JONAH: There's a Jonah in All of Us"**  
*Jonah 1:1-17 & Matthew 28:16-20*

God calls us to be in ministry, proclaim the Gospel in word and deed, and to go where he wants us to go. Like Jonah, we can always find an excuse, a diversion, an alternative, or an escape. The Sovereign God gets Jonah's attention and changes Jonah's mind. In his reluctant submission to God, Jonah sees God's grace and mercy shine.

***We look forward to sharing in Worship with you!***



## Church Events

- April 28<sup>th</sup> -GUEST  
Appreciation Dinner at 5PM
- April 30<sup>th</sup> – Bible Study  
Fellowship at 6:55PM
- May 1<sup>st</sup> – Men's Prayer  
Breakfast is at 7 AM  
-Taking Off Pounds  
Sensibly meets at 9 AM,  
- Choirs meet beginning at  
6:15 PM
- May 5<sup>th</sup> -- Centershot begins  
at 3 PM in the Fellowship  
Hall.

# Sunday Servants:

1 <sup>st</sup> SUNDAY	2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY	3 <sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY	4 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY
<i>Dick Foard Mike Fuller Kitty Davis Chris Doyel William Crockett</i>	<i>Patricia Cowan Louise Theberge John Kupiec Billy Healy</i>	<i>Jim Wesson John Ogburn Todd Coons John O'Briant Lewis Horsley</i>	<i>Doug Price Jane Price Bob McCreary Carter Richardson</i>
<b>LITURGISTS:</b>			
<i>Patricia Cowan</i>	<i>Gail Kerns</i>	<i>Cyndy Moore</i>	<i>Lori Goings</i>
<b>ACOLYTES:</b>			
<i>Katherine Gibson</i>	<i>Joshua Julian</i>	<i>Ivar Golden</i>	<i>Bradyn Barr</i>

## Matthew 19:13-15

13 Then little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them; 14but Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.' 15And he laid his hands on them and went on his way.

## American Red Cross CPR Training

If you're ever in need of life saving assistance, you are in better shape than ever at Grace on Main! Last Saturday, seventeen of our own committed their Saturday morning and graduated the American Heart Association training! If you are ever in need of these types of services, be sure to look for these amazing life savers: **Chris Doyel, Barbara Fleming, Charlie Kerns, Cindy Lanning, Steve Lanning, Sam Lanning, Becky Lazos, Pam Lumsden, Keith Lumsden, Bob McCreary, Karen Murphy, Doug Nagel, Jack Pennington, Jackie Rawls, Anna Robins, Kim Robins, and Jim Wesson.**



More Pictures on next page:

## Annual BBQ Fundraiser for The Bread for Life Food Pantry by Small Christian Communities of St. Therese Catholic Church

**When:** Thursday May 9th; doors open at 5:00 PM,  
Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM.

**Where:** Ware River Yacht Club

\$25.00 Tax Deductible donation buys one ticket  
**Menu:** Pulled Pork & 2 Sauces, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans,  
Delicious Desserts, Water/Sodas, Cold Beer, & Delectable  
Wines

There are going to be door prizes for attendees  
Send donations or call for reservations by Sat. May 4, 2019

– Make check payable to Bread For Life and mail to:

Mark & Dee Guillory  
7984 Croydon Lane  
Gloucester, VA 23061

Or call: 757-291-6690, 757-291-6691, 804-693-6519

**JOIN US FOR A GOOD TIME AND A GREAT CAUSE**



Volunteer to be a part of this summer's Vacation Bible School! You'll be glad you did



*Just click on the photo to find out more!*



Given the list of infant/toddler names in the opening lines of this article, you can see that our infant/toddler class is exciting and active!! Join us from time to time to lend an extra set of hands! See Cindy or email her at [cindy.dce@gracecovenant.us](mailto:cindy.dce@gracecovenant.us) if you are willing.

Who doesn't love the sights and sounds of kids in our church? What about the Inspire Choir and the Genesis Bell Ringers? Who doesn't love to see little Lucy, Claire, Evan, Eloise, Eleanor, Logan, and Harper Jean cooing, smiling, and playing each week?

As a congregation, we have promised God and the families of each of these little ones (and all the children God brings to us) to instruct them by word and example, with the help of the Christian community, in the truth of God's Word, and in the way of salvation through Jesus Christ. We have promised to pray for them, teach them to pray, and nurture them within the body of believers as citizens of Christ's kingdom. *Do you ever wonder how you can practically accomplish this pledge?*

**We can help! You're invited!** The Christian Growth Committee invites you to fulfill these promises in real and impactful ways! Here are some upcoming opportunities to stay engaged and informed. Please help support our families by becoming involved with these opportunities.



Join us to learn what we teach our children in our Sunday school and Children's Church classes. Get to know our teachers better, what their roles are, and learn more information about our programs. Doing this will allow you to enthusiastically share the wonderful opportunities we offer to our children with neighbors, friends, and visiting families.

*Just click on the photo to find out more! Remember to click on "View message from host" to read full information.*



# Walk 4 Life

## Join our church is supporting Care Net Peninsula!

Join our church family for Care Net Peninsula's 2019 Walk-4-Life! You can walk (3 kilometers, or 1.8 miles) at **9 a.m. Saturday, May 11, at Newport News Park**. Or you can give – any amount is appreciated and needed!

You can sign up to walk with our church or donate for our church's team at this link:  
<https://secure.ministrsync.com/ministrsync/event/website/?m=4415923#3>

You can also get a paper form to sign up to walk or give in our church Narthex or at our church office from now until the race.

## What is Care Net?

Care Net offers practical help and hope in Jesus to women facing difficult pregnancy decisions in Eastern Virginia. Care Net offers quality **medical services**, and they share **options** with expecting women, including adoption. Care Net offers **parenting classes** for expecting moms who want to keep their babies, which include giving maternity and baby supplies. And finally, Care Net offers **Abortion Recovery** counseling; they share the love and forgiveness of Christ with clients.

## Questions?

Call the church office, or email or email Pastor Doug at [pastordoug@gracecovenant.us](mailto:pastordoug@gracecovenant.us).

**Help us celebrate and support the precious new lives God is creating around us!**



# Celebrate!

## Birthdays

Susan McCreary	04/01
Lucy Harris	04/02
Mac McDonald	04/02
Becky Lazos	04/04
David Dea	04/07
Tracey Crowder	04/11
Beth Gibson	04/14
Carter Richardson	04/17
Stephanie Ruff	04/17
Carolyn Taylor	04/18
Dianne Lucy	04/18
Gus Rhodes III	04/19
Nancy Richardson	04/20
John O'Briant	04/21
Pete Atkinson III	04/24
Adam Taylor	04/27
Dorothy Claybrook	04/28
Gene Silberhorn	04/30

## Anniversaries

David & Brittany Lutz	04/02
Jim & Connie Colling	04/09
Steve & Cindy Lanning	04/11
Don & Beth Schiber	04/11
Max & Judy Healy	04/12
Steve & Janet Ludlow	04/14
Zeke & Sarah Finney	04/25
Merle & Sue Mayhue	04/25
Harry & Janet Sindle	04/25
John & Pam Kupiec	04/26



## Daily Lectionary:

### Saturday, April 27

Morning: Pss. 92; 149  
Evening: Pss. 23; 114  
Isa. 25:1-9  
Acts 4:13-21 (22-31)  
John 16:16-33

### Sunday, April 28

Morning: Pss. 93; 150  
Evening: Pss. 136; 117  
Isa. 43:8-13  
1 Peter 2:2-10  
John 14:1-7

### Monday, April 29

Morning: Pss. 97; 145  
Evening: Pss. 124; 115  
Dan. 1:1-21  
1 John 1:1-10  
John 17:1-11

### Tuesday, April 30

Morning: Pss. 98; 146  
Evening: Pss. 66; 116  
Dan. 2:1-16  
1 John 2:1-11  
John 17:12-19 •

### Wednesday, May 1

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1-11  
Evening: Pss. 9; 118 Dan.  
2:17-30 1 John 2:12-17  
John 17:20-26

### Thursday, May 2

Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12-20  
Evening: Pss. 68; 113  
Dan. 2:31-49 1 John 2:18-29  
Luke 3:1-14

### Friday, May 3

Morning: Pss. 96; 148  
Evening: Pss. 49; 138 Dan.  
3:1-18 1 John 3:1-10 Luke  
3:15-22

### Saturday, May 4

Morning: Pss. 92; 149  
Evening: Pss. 23; 114 Dan.  
3:19-30 1 John 3:11-18  
Luke 4:1-13

### Sunday, May 5

Morning: Pss. 93; 150  
Evening: Pss. 136; 117  
Dan. 4:1-18  
1 Peter 4:7-11  
John 21:15-25

## Meal Train

Meal Train is back! Do you remember how this works?

We have a calendar and details set up for **Betty Wilson**. You can sign up for a date on the calendar section. Because the link and computer signups are confusing, we are going to try this a different way.

**If you are willing to take a meal, call the church office and Becky will sign you up.** If you are willing to *ever take anyone* a meal and wish to be put on a "Meal Train" List of those who will help by cooking and delivering a meal, please call the church office and let us know. We want to have a "go to" list for this ministry. You can add someone to our Meal Train by calling the church office or letting your deacon know. The church office phone number is: 693-2071.

Thank you for helping those of our family who are in need. This is a very important ministry.

## Prayer Concerns:

Pray for Cary Franklin, Wesley and Betty Wilson, Dana Gilmour, Harriett George, Charlotte & John Martin, David Guthrie, E J Rowe, Virginia Wilkinson, David Lipps, Pat & Bert Perkins, Linda Pennington, Betty Jean Deal, and Bob McCreary.

If you have a prayer request, even if it is unspoken, you may call the church office and your prayer request will be placed here.

Gloucester House: Wayne Gates  
Brookdale, Williamsburg:  
Virginia Powers, & Barbara Tremblay  
York Convalescent & Rehab: Virginia Wilkinson



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