



Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

January 2019

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Epiphany is the twelfth day of Christmas and the day that we commemorate the visit of the wise men to Mary, Joseph, and the baby Jesus. This year Epiphany happens to fall on a Sunday, the first Sunday of January. The church gives us these twelve days to celebrate the incarnation and the birth of our Savior. Epiphany became a feast day for the church in the second century, making it one of our oldest Christian celebrations. The song "The Twelve Days of Christmas" points to how some Christians would celebrate the Christmas Season until Epiphany,

which is a big gift-giving day in some cultures. We will read about the story of the wise men and their gifts to the Christ child and celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion on Epiphany Sunday, January 6th.

We will be ordaining and installing our new group of elders on Sunday, January 13th. I want to say a word of thanks to Jeanne Martie, Tom Smith, and Melinda Mogowski, who are finishing up their terms on the Session. Jeanne has served two terms for a total of six years, Tom has been on the Session for three years, and Melinda graciously agreed to serve an additional year for a total of four years on the Session to fill Buzz Boyd's unexpired one-year term. We welcome Dan Broadhead, Ron Campbell, and Ike McRee, who will be ordained and/or installed as Ruling Elders in the Class of 2021. Throughout the fall, I have been meeting with Dan, Ron, and Ike for an officer training class and have thoroughly enjoyed our discussions and the chance to get to know them better, including learning about their spiritual journeys that have led them to accept the position of Ruling Elder. I hope that you will be present in worship on January 13th as we lay on hands and pray for these elders, which is an important sign of our support for these individuals as they lead our congregation in the coming years.

I also want to offer a big word of thanks to a couple of people who have given of their time and talents to serve in important roles in our church. Bev Jones has been the Clerk of the Session for the past four years and she has done a wonderful job making sure that Session meetings have been well organized and keeping up to date with all of our minutes. Jeanne Martie has served as the volunteer Disbursing Treasurer for the last twelve years. The Disbursing Treasurer tracks and pays all of our church's bills throughout the year. Disbursing Treasurer and Clerk of Session are two important jobs and I want to offer my thanks to Jeanne and Bev for their service to Jesus Christ and to our church in these roles.

In 2019, Gary McGee will become our new Clerk of Session. Gary has been preparing for this position and has already attended a training session for clerks hosted by New Hope Presbytery. On a trial basis for the first six months of 2019, our church secretary Cathie Feild will be taking on the duties of Disbursing Treasurer. I am appreciative that Gary and Cathie have agreed to take on these positions and I hope you will offer them a word of thanks.

Our church has been in the process of making some technological upgrades. In addition to all the ways you have been able to give in the past, there is now an option for you to give on-line at our church's website: www.outerbankspresbyterian.org. The Stewardship and Generosity Committee will provide more information about on-line giving in the coming weeks. We also have been making some repairs to our streaming capabilities. If you are not able to join us in worship, you may live-stream or watch a recorded worship service on our church's website. Under the media tab, you may click on watch services and there is a complete list of the worship services and events you may view. I'm looking forward to our continued blessings and these positive changes as we move into 2019.

Peace in Christ,

Jody Moore

Prayer Concerns

"God is able to make all grace abound toward you..."
II Corinthians 9:8

- Jack Abernethy
- Marc Basnight
- Don & Nancy Bierwerth
- Sue Callens
- Anne Cramer
- George Daniels
- Warren Davis
- Donna Evans
- Catherine Howell
- Esther Huntsinger
- Ansley Johnson
- Charlie Jones
- Amanda Kirkman
- Terry Legel
- EJ Markwood
- Mickey Meekins
- Nancy Messinger
- Howard Miller
- Clay Moore
- Etta Parrott
- Seth Peters
- Louie Rodriguez
- Lawrence Rust
- Kevin Scholl
- Bud Sheets
- Hans Stelzer
- Trish Thomas

Ordination/Installation of Elder Class 2021

The new Elder Class of 2021 will be ordained and installed during worship on Sunday, January 13. The class of 2021 will be comprised of Ike McRee, Dan Broadhead and Ron Campbell. Below is pictured the class of 2021!



Ike McRee



Dan Broadhead



Ron Campbell

We are Thankful for our Willing Volunteers

Coffee Hour Schedule

- Jan. 6.....Building & Grounds
- Jan. 13.....Administration
- Jan. 20..... Congregational Care
- Jan. 27..... Basnight/Campbell

Flower Schedule

- Jan. 6 Available
- Jan. 13 Available
- Jan. 20 Available
- Jan. 27 Available

Liturgist Schedule

- Jan. 6 Ike McRee
- Jan. 13..... Ben Cahoon
- Jan. 20.....Brenda Brown
- Jan. 27.....Nonie Booth

Children's Church

Please refer to your Sunday Morning bulletins for the schedule of Children's Church workers.

January Birthdays

- Glynn Powell..... 7
- Catherine Hammill 8
- Oscar Northen 8
- Debbie Telthorster 12
- Anthony Spencer 14
- Rosalyn Pugh 15
- Ron Baker..... 15
- James Seal..... 15
- Carla Hardy..... 16
- Howard Miller..... 19
- Mark Martin 24
- James Cahoon 26
- Shirley Grimm..... 27
- Kyle Lewis 27
- Sharon Aldridge 28
- Rose Dugger 28
- Laura Worsley 28
- Evelyn Webb 31

January Anniversaries

- Mr. & Mrs. Tom Carrico 7
- Dr. & Mrs. Andrew Horne 7
- Mr. & Mrs. Oscar VanEe..... 14

Sermons for January 2019

Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

January 6, 2019
Matthew 2:1-12

January 6th is the twelfth day of Christmas, the day of Epiphany, when the church celebrates the visit of the wise men to worship the baby Jesus. We will hear the story of the wise men's courage and their dedication to meeting the Christ child.

January 13, 2019
Luke 3:15-17, 21-23

On this Baptism of the Lord Sunday, we will read the story of Jesus' baptism by John. Jesus sought out baptism as a mark of God's grace at the beginning of his ministry. What does our baptism mean to us today as Christians? What promises do we make as a congregation when someone is baptized? We will be ordaining and/or installing three individuals as ruling elders in the Class of 2021.

January 20, 2019
John 2:1-11

The first miracle of Jesus' public ministry in John is when Jesus turns water into wine at the wedding in Cana. This act shows us that Jesus came to usher in a joyful new reign, a time where we can celebrate. We will discuss the joy that we have to share as Christians.

January 27, 2019
Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Nehemiah is written after the traumatic invasion and destruction of Jerusalem at the hands of the Babylonians and the Assyrians. Many of the Jews were forced to live in exile. Now the Jews are able to return and rebuild their lives in Israel. They are seeking what is most critical to their identity and they find purpose and meaning in worshipping God and reading God's Word in the Scriptures. Nehemiah teaches us about the value of worship and learning God's Word.



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dare County Celebration

Saturday, January 19, 2019
11:00 am

The annual celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King's life will be held on Saturday, January 19, 2019 at 11:00 am. This year's festivities will be held in the Manteo High School Auditorium located at 829 Wingina Street in Manteo, NC. This year's speaker will be Robert Woodward, Chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners.

Following the celebration of Dr. King's life, a free fellowship meal will be held. During this meal, you are invited to mingle and dine with folk of other races, denominations and walks of life.

For more information regarding this event, you may contact The Rev. Spottswood Graves at spottswoodgraves@gmail.com or by phone at (252) 202-6863. All are invited to attend!

A Thank-You from Jody & Jeanne Moore

Thank you to the members of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church for the many ways that you support Jeanne and me. We are grateful for all of the Christmas cards you sent us and for your prayers. We are also appreciative of the generous donations that you made to the Pastor's Purse. Thank you so much for your kindness!

Jody & Jeanne Moore

Third Thursday Lunch: Jan. 17

The Third Thursday Luncheon Group will meet January 17th, at noon. The theme will be "Renewal." The place has yet to be determined. Check the Sunday Bulletins for the latest details, also information will be sent to those with an email address.

You may contact Ann 252-206-3131 or Dan Broadhead 252-202-0365 or kittyhawklife@gmail.com for further information.



The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be held on Sunday, January 6 during the 10:00 am worship service. Join us as we remember Christ's ultimate sacrifice on the cross for us.

Room in the Inn News

Our church will be responsible for the guests February 10-17. This will involve getting volunteers to help with nightly chaperoning, and meals. Charlie and Nancy Huff will be in charge of the chaperones. Jeanne Martie will be in charge of the meals.

The Room In the Inn has been offered space in a building in Nags Head. It can hold 12 guests and 2 chaperones, has single and shared bedrooms with actual beds (not cots), a kitchen, a couple of bathrooms with showers, a couple of rooms with TVs and an elevator. The building has allowed many other churches to participate.

Guests check in each evening at the RITI office in Manteo, and are then transported to the facility. Meals include dinners (although Charlie's experience has been to have the first meal at KFC, which the guests really like), breakfast (since guests have to vacate by 7-7:30 am, this will be a casserole or two, toast or bagels or muffins, cereal), and fixings for the guests to pack a bagged lunch. Snacks and soda will also be needed.

Keep your eye on the announcements in the January bulletins, and give some prayerful consideration on how you can help. Jeanne will plan a January meeting for any and all folks who would like to help in some way.



Jim Sias, Jeanne Sias & Nonie Booth hard at work making our Poinsettia tree and display look beautiful!

2019 Flower Schedule



The sign-up sheet for flowers is now available in the Gathering Space! Placing flowers in the sanctuary is a wonderful way to honor or memorialize a person (s) or to honor a birthday, anniversary, birth or any other special occasion!

2019 Coffee Hour Schedule



The new 2019 schedule for Coffee Hour is now posted in the gathering space. Please be sure to check the schedule so that you will know what Sunday(s) you may be involved in serving the coffee and snacks!

Annual Congregational Meeting

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, Jan. 27 following the morning worship service. The agenda will be: Presentation of the 2018 Actual Budget and the 2019 Proposed Budget; Vote to approve the Minister's Terms of Call for 2019; and Election of the Congregation's members to the 2019 Nominating Committee.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<p>1</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>6:00 pm: Choir 6:30 pm: Adult Study</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:30 am: Dorcas Circle 5:00 pm: Girl Scouts</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:00 am: Men's Study</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6</p> <p><i>The Sacrament of Holy Communion</i></p> <p>9:00 am: Sunday School 3:00 pm: Epiphany Party 4:30 pm: Youth Group</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6:30 pm: Boy Scouts</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:00 am: Faith Knitters 6:30 pm: Cub Scouts</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:30 am: Lydia Circle 6:00 pm: Choir 6:30 pm: Adult Study</p>	<p>10</p> <p>5:00 pm: Girl Scouts 5:30 pm: Hope, Faith & Love Circle</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:00 am: Men's Study</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13</p> <p><i>Installation of Elders</i></p> <p>9:00 am: Sunday School 3:00 pm: Stamp Club 4:30 pm: Youth Group</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:30 pm: Boy Scouts</p>	<p>15</p> <p>6:30 pm: Stated Session 6:30 pm: Cub Scouts</p>	<p>16</p> <p>2:00 pm: Cong. Care 6:00 pm: Choir 6:30 pm: Adult Study</p>	<p>17</p> <p>12:00 N: 3rd Thursday Luncheon 5:00 pm: Girl Scouts</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:00 am: Men's Study</p>	<p>19</p> <p><i>Dr. King Celebration 11:00 am – Manteo High School</i></p>
<p>20</p> <p>9:00 am: Sunday School 4:30 pm: Youth Group</p>	<p>21</p> <p><i>Church offices Closed</i></p> <p>6:30 pm: Boy Scouts</p>	<p>22</p> <p>10:00 am: Faith Knitters 5:15 pm: Bible Study 6:30 pm: Cub Scouts</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:00 pm: Choir 6:30 pm: Adult Study</p>	<p>24</p> <p>5:00 pm: Girl Scouts</p>	<p>25</p> <p>8:00 am: Men's Study</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p> <p>9:00 am: Sunday School 11:15 am: Annual Cong. Meeting 4:30 pm: Youth Group</p>	<p>28</p> <p>6:30 pm: Boy Scouts</p>	<p>29</p> <p>6:30 pm: Cub Scouts</p>	<p>30</p> <p>6:00 pm: Choir 6:30 pm: Adult Study</p>			<p>Note: There are sessions of AA that meet Monday-Saturday at 7:30 am & 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.</p> <p>OEA= Over Eaters Anonymous</p>



Between THE Lines
MUSIC Ministry

The Music Ministry of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church held their annual Christmas Musical on Saturday and Sunday, December 1-2. The concert consisted of the Sanctuary Choir and orchestra who sang and played to over 500 people over the course of two evenings!



Presbyterian Women



The monthly circle meetings for the Presbyterian Women of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church will be held as follows:

DORCAS CIRCLE

Thursday, January 3 | 9:30 am
This meeting will be held at the home of Margaret Hartman.

LYDIA CIRCLE

Wednesday, January 9 | 11:30 am
The location will be at the church.

FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE CIRCLE

Thursday, January 10 | 5:30 pm
This meeting will be held at the church.

Our Deepest Sympathy

We would like to offer our deepest sympathy to the family of **Lynn H. Miller** who passed away at her home on Dec. 10, 2018. Our prayers go out to her husband, Howard and their children. Funeral Services were held on Mon. Dec. 16 at 11:00 am here at Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

We would like to also send our deepest sympathy to the family of **Elizabeth "Liz" Schaub**. Liz was a charter member of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church. Liz passed away on Dec. 11, 2019 surrounded by her family. Funeral arrangements for a service here at Outer Banks Presbyterian are pending and will be announced in the near future.

New Member

We would like to welcome Yvonne Blomberg into the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church Family. Yvonne joined on Sunday, Dec. 9, 2018. She resides at 405 Canal Drive, Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948.



The Beach Food Pantry's Annual Chef Challenge fundraiser was a great success. We were happy to have Surf Pediatrics and Medicine be our leading sponsor for the 3rd year in a row. Eleven chefs from well-known restaurants on the Outer Banks participated with 2 entries each, at least one of which must be made with food that we offer at the pantry. The People's Choice for 2018's Prince of Canned foods was Wes Stepp of Red Sky Café in Duck. It was a fun evening with lots and lots of good food.

HELP NEEDED: The pantry still needs volunteers to pick up food at a number of grocery stores on a weekly basis. We also need help at the pantry on Mondays and Fridays. Monday gets quite busy putting away food that was delivered over the weekend and Friday is the time that everything is tidied up and organized for the coming week. If you are interested in helping, please contact the Executive Director, Elisabeth Silverthorne, at 261-2756.



Beginning on January 6, 2019, we will be rebooting the Adult Sunday School class and look forward to good discussions. We will be starting a 4-week study on the book of Ruth, led by Tom Carrico and other volunteer teachers. Coffee will be provided and all are welcome! Please join us.

2019 Pledge Envelopes

Boxes of 2019 Pledge envelopes for those who requested them are labeled and available on the table in the Gathering Space.

2018 Pledges

If you plan to catch up your Pledge promise or give additional donations for 2018 after the beginning of the new year, please do so before January 11th.

Angel Tree

We would like to offer a special thank you to Evelyn Webb for collecting all of the Angel Tree gifts from church, sorting them and delivering them to the Baum Center, as well as a special thank you to John for supervising!!

Also, thank you to all who contributed gifts for the Angel Tree. There were many happy children Christmas morning thanks to your generosity.

Stated Session News

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Session approved these positions for 2019:

1. Becky Lofton-DeSanto and Barbara Nowland as Receiving Treasurers;
2. Mollie Bass, Fred Smith, and Jim Perry as the OBPC signature authorities and contacts for our church banks;
3. Gary McGee, as Clerk of Session; and
4. Cathie Feild as Distributing Treasurer.

B. Session approved these recommendations from:

1. Finance Committee:

- a. The 2019 proposed budget;
- b. A donation of \$500 to the Presbytery of New Hope (NHP) to help Camp Albemarle recover from damages due to Hurricane Florence; and
- c. That the Christmas Eve offering be designated for the Beach Food Pantry.

2. Christian Education Committee:

- a. For a donation of \$200 to the First Flight High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes;
- b. That the use of the Benevolence Fund be modified to add “educational expenses upon high school graduation,” so that qualifying high school graduates, who are active in our Youth Group but not members, could apply for scholarship awards for college-related educational expenses; and
- c. A new format, teachers and content for the Adult Sunday School class to begin on January 6, 2019.

3. Worship Committee for a letter of ‘thank you’ to Ryan Sexton, who has been worshipping at OBPC for two years and has been accepted into the Officers Candidate School of the United States Coast Guard in New London, CT.

C. Session reviewed:

- a. The Administration Committee’s recommendation for the 2019 Pastor’s Compensation Package, which will be presented at the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 27, 2019.
- b. A request that OBPC host a “Music for Wellness” Presentation by Becky Watson, which is an interactive music program for persons with dementia and their caregivers. Watch for the date in bulletins and on the website.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- #### **A. Dan, Ron, and Ike were examined and approved as incoming Elders, Class of 2021; their Ordination and Installation will be on Sunday, January 13, 2019.**

Stewardship & Generosity Committee

On October 14, 2018 we presented to God and His church pledges of financial support and ministry through use of our time and talent. Our demonstration of "Gratitude, Grace and Generosity" resulted in the receipt of pledges and other commitments of financial resources in the amount of \$288,500 - a six percent increase above last year's financial commitments. Forty-five Ministry Opportunity forms were returned by those pledging their time and talent to further the mission of God's church through service and participation in the life and activities of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church. The Stewardship and Generosity Committee thanks you for your response to God's call and your ministry. If you have not returned a pledge card or Ministry Opportunity form please forward them to the church office.

The Stewardship and Generosity Committee is also excited to report that the ability to give through the church website is about to begin. Online giving will provide an easy and convenient way to give tithes and offerings using a debit or credit card or electronic funds transfer. The safe and secure service, hosted by Presbyterian Foundation, will allow set up of recurring donations to continue faithful giving when unable to attend services and provide the church with immediate access to a steady and reliable flow of gifts. Watch for coming information describing how you can access the online giving program and date of its activation.

Faith Knitters Pay Tribute to Lynn H. Miller

The Faith Knitters would like to honor and pay tribute to one of our own, Lynn Miller who passed away on December 10, 2018. She was one of the original members of the group and was very faithful in attending the knitting sessions and was always very helpful to the participants. Lynn shared patterns, guidance, helpful hints and her expertise. She would even fix our mistakes for some of us who were not as accomplished as she was. She enjoyed the comradery of the varied conversations that was always a big part of our sessions. As we would always say, "What happen at knitting, stayed at knitting." She organized some of our visits to the nursing homes to distribute the prayer shawls and was a big part in the ministry that we had undertaken. We will all miss you Lynn, our friend. May you rest in peace.

Veterans Collection Thank You

Thank you to all those who donated to our Veterans gifts. We were able to take a car full of gifts to the Veterans Hospital in Newport News, Virginia. A very special thank you to the fantastic ladies of the Faith Knitters. Every year they donate prayer shawls and lap robes for our Veterans. This year we had enough red, white and blue prayer shawls to give one to each veteran in the OBX adult homes.

Thanks to all for everything you have done to say "thank you for your service".

John and Evelyn Webb



We Bid Farewell to Ryan Sexton

Ryan Sexton has been a faithful part of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church over the last few years as he was serving in the United States Coast Guard and stationed here. Ryan assisted with the videoing of our worship services and participated as a flag bearer during our Let Freedom Ring Concerts. Ryan is going to Officer Training School for the Coast Guard. We wish Ryan the best in his new endeavor! When Ryan learns of his new address, we will let you know through the newsletter!



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