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**FEBRUARY  
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**"His Eye is on the Sparrow"**  
Matthew 6:25-34, Luke 12:22-31

Each one of us, I believe, has moments of brilliant hope and bright light in our lives as well as times of deep darkness. We live out our days working, playing, building our lives yet we, at times, reduce our lives to the minutiae of worry for this, anxiety over that. We continue to press forward, but we are overshadowed by concerns: concerns for our family, our friends, our home, our jobs, our investments, our whole future.

If we consider circumstances rationally and prayerfully, we know that we cannot alter the days or direction of our lives with anxious worry.

Yes, we have the privilege and the responsibility to make good and intelligent choices; yes, we can be guided by due deliberation and conscious contemplation to move in a particular direction. Yet, we cannot prolong the course of a minute or change the unfolding of events with our fearful worry or consuming anxiety. It belies the providential nature of God's love and devotion to us.

It is not the intent of Jesus to dismiss the anxieties or concerns of his listeners when he states, "Do not worry – are you not of more value than these?" He is not advocating casual disregard for life's necessities or a lack of consideration for others or for the future. He is continuing a lesson taught by the Rabbis in the synagogue: that is, be both prudent and serene in daily living. So, Jesus was taking a familiar lesson and was reiterating it for his followers: take heed of the will of God, trust in God, and remain confident that you will be cared for in all your needs.

Many of you have heard the words of Jesus time and time again: "Consider the lilies of the field, Even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed as one of these." You may have listened at another time to the spiritual, "His Eye is on the Sparrow and I Know he Watches Me." But has there been a time in your life that you were not completely certain of God's abundant care as you walked within your own crucible of pain?? You may have been certain of God's existence and of God's presence but you had not yet felt the healing "Balm in Gilead" wash over you and encircle you and you wondered when, or if, it would ever come. God's grace and healing had not yet filled you to the capacity to relieve agony or diminish pain.

Jesus understood and realized our strongest emotions and our deepest anguish. He was not without emotion and pain himself. Jesus taught the trustworthiness of God's steadfast love in order to heal and to affirm, to bring life and light to the downtrodden and the needy, to share promise and hope.

Even when we feel we can no longer hold onto God, God is holding onto us even in our darkest moments. God's mercy sustains us in moments both difficult and good. How we use each moment, how we weave circumstances and situations into the total pattern of our being is up to us. But we are not alone. In the words of the spiritual, "Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come" – "Let not your heart be troubled" his tender word I hear, and resting in his goodness, I lose my doubts and fears."

So, consider the lilies/hear the sparrow and always remember: God will provide, God will be with us; God's grace and abundant mercy will strengthen us through countless hours and an untold future. So, do not worry, his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me, and you, all of us always.

Dr. Quentin Madden

**Our Mission**  
Making disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the  
world

**Our Vision**  
To **Know** Christ personally,  
**Grow** with Christ intimately,  
and **Show** Christ passionately

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## Finances for 2018

2018 Total Budget Income to Date      \$ 203,038.01

**\*\*Monthly amount needed to meet monthly expenses:**  
\$ 18,070.00

### December Financial Breakdown:

<b>December Giving (Budget):</b>	<b>\$ 16,752.93</b>
Colonial Pres. Payment (Budget):	\$
Amazon/Kroger Rewards (Budget):	\$
Donation from Brain Injury Group (Bud.):	\$ 200.00
Donation from ESL Class (Budget):	\$ 500.00
Benevolence:	\$ 223.53
Choir:	\$ 10.00
Christmas Offering (Global Missions)	\$ 1,501.00
Missions (items Sold):	\$ 99.00
Missions (Angel Tree):	\$ 178.35
Music Ministry:	\$
Youth:	\$ 10.00

### 2018 Envelope Giving:

<b>Jan. Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 16,700.31</b>
<b>Feb. Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 18,018.23</b>
<b>March Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 12,058.14</b>
<b>April Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 17,481.31</b>
<b>May Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 15,001.93</b>
<b>June Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 15,867.32</b>
<b>July Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 17,061.01</b>
<b>Aug. Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 17,406.43</b>
<b>Sept. Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 14,785.04</b>
<b>Oct. Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 16,284.98</b>
<b>Nov. Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 14,046.46</b>
<b>Dec. Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 16,752.93</b>

## February Birthdays

### Happy Birthday CABC Family!

Kala Bridgers	February 2
Renee Counts	February 2
Nicholas Mort	February 2
Julianna Abbott	February 4
Carrol Hall	February 4
Theresa Rowland	February 5
Betty Heptinstall	February 7
Ric Scott	February 11
John Snyder	February 12
Jeanne Duddy	February 14
Evelyn Ragland	February 15
Kaitlyn Jenkins	February 15
Evelyn Hutcherson	February 17
Virginia Branstetter	February 17
Jim Rhodes	February 22
Doug Heptinstall	February 23

## Winter Bible Study

Join us **Mondays at 10:30 am or Wednesdays at 6:30 pm**, for a study of the Gospel of Matthew.

## Know, Grow, and Show December

	<b>2nd</b>	<b>9th</b>	<b>16th</b>	<b>23rd</b>	<b>24th</b>	<b>30th</b>
Sunday School	50	**	48	43	—	44
Worship	68	**	59	109	85	62
Small Groups	4	2	3	—	—	—
** Weather						

## Current Sunday School Studies

Class	Teacher	Current Study
Faithkeepers	Ric Scott	“Jesus’ Ministry to the World”
Friendship	Joyce Short	“Book of Romans”
Sunshine	Jean Grady/ Katie Wood	“Engaging Culture in an Ever-Changing World”
Men	Mike Agee	“Engaging Culture in an Ever-Changing World”
New Beginnings	Tim Emick/ Bob Crawford	“Jesus’ Ministry to the World”
Pastor’s	Quentin Madden	“The Study of the Book of Matthew”
Youth	Melissa/Tracy	“The Third Way”
Grades 1 <sup>st</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>	Nancy Burgess	“Stories of Jesus”

## Prayer Concerns

- Our Church
- Bob Crawford’s brother-in-law, James Long
- Joe Dudley’s nephew, Johnny, who has lung cancer
- Karen Viele’s family friend, baby Allison, for her heart
- Kristy Knott’s friend, Ashley Meaves’ baby, who was born early
- Nicholas Mort’s grandmother, Chere’, who is recovering from surgery
- Betty Heptinstall’s 12 year old nephew, Adam, who began chemotherapy
- Linda Miles’ daughter, Heather O’Brian, as she is battling blood cancer
- Tamra Sloans’ friend’s daughter, Lauren Hodges, who is battling thyroid cancer
- Katie Wood, as she is recovering from surgery at Brandon Oaks Rehab
- Evelyn Ragland, who is dealing with blisters on her feet
- Evelyn Hutcherson, who is struggling with a bad cough
- Debbie Agee’s nephew, Patrick Shaw, as he is having complications from radiation treatment
- Renee Thornhill’s brother, Rodney White, for heart issues
- Mary Webb’s friend, Audrey Cook’s family & friends, as Audrey passed away
- Ric Scott’s father, Dan Scott, as he is in rehabilitation at Friendship South
- Yvonne Metz & Family, as her husband Jim passed away

### Remember our homebound and those in nursing homes

Betty Brown	Christine Martin (Burkeville, VA)
Madaline Brown (Pheasant Ridge)	Yvonne Metz
Lois Burge	Nadine Minnix
Jane Byrum (The “Oaks”)	Shirley Moore (Brandon Oaks)
Carol Camp	Betty Obenchain
Becky Erdmann	Louise Parris
Freda Guill	Evelyn Ragland (Elm Park)
Dody Matze	Ruby Whitehead (The Glebe)

## Children

### Thank You!

Thank you so much to everyone that helped make our PBJ Kids Academy–Housekeeping Skills Class a huge success! We are excited to report that we had 30+ children attend. This event reached out to not just the children of our church, but children in the community as well. What a wonderful way to grow their faith & teach them some important life skills as well. After all, they are our future! Thank you so much for your support!

### Party!

Children of all ages are invited to join us for our “Building Blocks of Faith: Love” Valentine Party on **Feb. 10 from 12-2 pm**. We will meet in the fellowship hall at Colonial Presbyterian Church for lunch, followed by celebrating God’s love for us and learning more about how to love each other through story, song, game, crafts, and Legos! Please sign up by Feb. 6 so that we will have plenty of food and supplies.

## Youth

### Sunday night dinners

Help feed our youth on Sunday evenings during our dinner & discipleship time! We eat at 5:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall and it's best to prepare for around 15 people. To sign up, contact Pastor Melissa or sign up online at <http://bit.ly/PBJYouthdinner>

### Lunch & Discipleship

Join us Sun., Feb. 3rd at 12:00 PM for lunch & discipleship at Colonial Presbyterian Church.

**PBJ Kids & Youth (& Families) Super Bowl Party**  
**Sun., Feb. 3, 6:00 pm** Come watch the Super Bowl at Ric and Melissa Scott's house and have fun with your family! Bring your favorite tailgate foods and a 2 liter drink to share.

### Save the Date

Youth, mark your calendars for our lock-in & Youth Sunday practice on **Friday, February 22nd**.

## Missions

### Children’s Chapel at the Rescue Mission

Join us **Thursday, February 14th & February 28th at 5:45 pm** at the Rescue Mission when we lead children’s chapel.

## Annual Dessert Auction Fundraiser

Following Youth Sunday on **February 24th**, please join us for a potato and salad lunch (donations accepted) followed by a dessert auction. Dessert samples will be sold for 50 cents each, so even if you don’t want to buy an entire dessert, you can have a good lunch and enjoy the fellowship. All profits will help send our children and youth to Passport missions camp this summer.

## Mark Your Calendars

### Church Council

Please mark your calendar for our next Church Council Meeting for Committee Chairs on **February 10th at 4 pm**. If you can not attend, please be sure to have another Committee member attend in your absence. It is imperative that all our Committees have representation at these meetings.

### Quarterly Business Meeting

Please mark your calendar for our next Quarterly Business Meeting that will take place **February 17th** following worship.

## Keystone Ministry Schedule For 2018–2019

The following schedule will be in effect for the 2018-2019 school year:

### Monthly

1st week: Faithkeepers      3rd week: Nancy Burgess  
2nd week: New Beginning      4th week: Friendship Class

\*\* (the 5th week of any month is covered by another church)

Thank you so much to our Sunday School Classes for their service!

From the  of Joe

### Info-Memo Volume 2019 February 2019

To Inform, To Enlighten, and To Encourage:

I was heading towards a totally different direction/focus for this edition – that is– until I was a participant of the BGAV Webinar the evening of January 28<sup>th</sup>. This informative production of our Sunday School Specialist, Tony Brooks, was entitled, “Effective Sunday School in the Small Church”.

From the 5 pages of notes taken, several key points were made Re: all that help make an effective Sunday School – to help the church; a selected few follow:

(1) Moving forward from the apparent original purpose of SS, it’s vital that SUNDAY SCHOOL today understands THE BIG ATTITUDE role. Thus, it’s recognizing that SS is a part of a bigger purpose – being a vital part of the Bible teaching arm of the church. Thus, effective within SS, the classes minister to, and cares for, every class member. Not that we’re perfect on this, but we are always striving to improve our effectiveness/ image.

(2) Because SS is “a part of a bigger purpose”, have you noted how many of our teachers/leaders and class members are multi-tasked? To wit: deeply involved in many facets of our church programs– committees, special mission efforts, music, youth & children’s programs/events.

(3) Especially in small churches, such as we’re, effective and a trendy growth must involve so many of our membership (how about going for 100%). Attendance/ participation in Worship is certainly a key for any type growth – it’s a focal point - yet by itself, what really happens?? How about more of us members “chipping in”, such as to become active on a church committee, and, oh yes, how about trying Sunday School??

All donations are welcome – live folks, that is.

*Space and my time is up. Thank you for listening.*

## Welcome Our Newest Member

Welcome to our newest member Blake Smith. We are so happy to have him as part of our family here at Colonial Avenue Baptist Church!