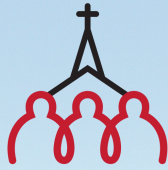


# News from the Mountain

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF  
GLEN ALLEN BAPTIST CHURCH



## LENTEN WORSHIP

Over the next month, we will have the privilege of walking through the events of Holy Week together in our Sunday worship and Wednesday studies.

We will explore Jesus' journey from shouts of "Hosanna!" to shouts of "Crucify!" to "He is risen!" All of these exclamations happen within one week of each other.

We will take our time exploring the stories that lead to Jesus' death and dig deeper into the question of what it means to pick up our cross and follow.

I hope you will prioritize this time of worship on Sundays. Our Lenten rhythm is specifically designed to help us reflect, repent, and remember. We will repeat a couple of hymns and a prayer of confession each week to prepare ourselves for Easter.

Easter is so much richer when we walk to the empty tomb with care and intentionality. We will understand Jesus' love and sacrifice at deeper levels and proclaim with great joy, "Christ the Lord is risen! He is risen, indeed!"

Learning Together,  
Melissa Fallen

### THIS MONTH AT GABC

- 3/3 Women's Sunday*
- 3/4 Teacher Appreciation at Hermitage*
- 3/10 Daylight Saving Time Begins*
- 3/18 Backpack Packing*
- 3/19 Lunch Bunches*
- 3/23 Children's Easter Egg Hunt*
- 3/24 Palm Sunday*
- 3/26 Panther Learning Expo*
- 3/26 Deacons' Meeting*
- 3/31 Easter Sunday*

# CHURCH NEWS

## Thank you

Many thanks for the prayers, cards, and visits when my sister passed away.  
Kitty Bagby

Dear GABC Family,

We are so grateful for all of the prayers, all the care, and all the concern you expressed while our grandson Rhett was hospitalized. You helped us get through some very difficult days, just by asking about him every time you saw us.

Connor and Nicole were so touched and appreciative as well. Nicole said "churches we've never been to prayed for healing over our sweet baby boy. We know that *HE* heard and answered those prayers."

Rhett is doing great now, Ruby Quinn is thrilled to have Mama, Dada, and Baby Brother home. And we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Never doubt the power of prayer and of just letting someone know you care. It meant so much to us.

Thank you,

Brian and Dawn Lee

## Wednesday Night Dinner



**March 6** - Fried chicken

Kids: same

**March 13** - BBQ Pork chops

Kids: Chicken nuggets

**March 20** - Shepherd's pie

Kids: Chicken nuggets

**March 27** - Meatloaf

Kids: Chicken nuggets

## Backpack Packing

Mark your calendars for our next backpack packing date. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am on March 18 for an hour of fun and fellowship as we ready those packs with nourishment and love.

## Lunch Bunch(es)

Lunch bunches continue on the third Tuesday of each month at 11:30am Ladies meet at O'Charley's on Brook Road. Guys meet at Kitchen 33. Please contact Brenda Anderson or Matt Davidson if you have any questions.



## House, Grounds, & Properties

The House, Grounds, and Properties Committee would like to make all church members aware that our church owns a cemetery located at the intersection of Cemetery Road and Peace Road off of Old Washington Highway. The purchase price for a 5' x 10' burial plot is \$1,500. The income generated from these cemetery plot sales goes toward the maintenance of the cemetery. Only church members may purchase burial plots. A 5' x 10' burial plot can be used for one vault containing a single casket or three urns (urns containing cremation remains). If you are interested in purchasing a plot or have questions, please contact Brian Lee at [abcdlee@comcast.net](mailto:abcdlee@comcast.net).

Glenn West

GABC House, Grounds, and Properties Committee Chairman

## Mission Engagement

Three new opportunities for engagement at our school partnerships:

- 1) Teacher Appreciation Event at Hermitage and Brookland - March 4 and May. See Melissa Fallen if you can help.
- 2) Panther Learning Expo - March 26. Drop by anytime between 11am-2pm that day to check out student projects and support their student body.
- 3) Support the Soccer Team - We are sponsoring team dinners for the boys' soccer team this spring and would love your help! Contact Jill Cole if you are interested.

## Did You Know?

- We have 6 people volunteering at Brookland Middle School front office?
- We served 10 meals to the girls' basketball team at Hermitage High?
- Donna Washington is teaching a Bible study for us at the Elizabeth House?
- We deliver 250-300 backpack meals each week to elementary schools?



The Hermitage Girls' Basketball Team shared this gift of appreciation with us in worship on February 18.

## FYI - Road Work

Mountain Road will be closed between Mountain Glen Parkway and Woodman Road, beginning Monday, Feb. 26, for the replacement of storm drainage culvert pipes. The road is expected to reopen at the end of March, when Henrico's Department of Public Works anticipates the project will be completed. While work is underway, a detour will direct motorists to use Purcell Road and Terry Drive.

## Choir

Do you like to sing? Would you like to try out choir for a season? Join us as we prepare music for our Lenten and Holy Week services. We would love to add your voice and your presence to our choir. We meet on Wednesdays from 7:15-8:45 in the Choir Room.





# March '24 Youth NEWS



## YOUTH SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

9:15-10:15 in the Youth Room

Last Sunday, we had an interesting and engaging conversation about the Christian calendar, the importance of worship, and ways the youth can engage in worship.

This past Sunday, we began learning about what happens in the Israelite's story after they made it to the Promised Land and began figuring out how to govern themselves.

## MID-WEEK YOUTH GROUP

5:45 Dinner @ the Youth Table  
6:15-7:15 in the Youth Room

We are journeying through Lent together on Wednesday nights as we learn about the events of Holy Week.

We are also learning a song to sing with the children in worship on Palm Sunday.

And for those who would like to sing with the choir in worship, we will review the song for the following Sunday.

## SECOND SUNDAY

March 10 - Right after church from 11:30-1

Come for Sunday School and Church and stay for lunch and fun!

## EXCITING YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES IN 2024

### Mission Madness

April 19-21 in Chesapeake, VA. The cost is \$125

To register, email Ann your youth's name & t-shirt size AND pay a deposit of \$100 (check made payable to GABC with Mission Madness in the memo or online under the Youth Activities line item.)

### Passport Camp

June 16-21 at Converse University in Spartanburg, SC. Cost: \$200

To register, email Ann your youth's name & t-shirt size AND pay a deposit of \$100 (check made payable to GABC with Passport in the memo or online under the Youth Activities line item.)

### Together for Hope Arkansas Mission Trip

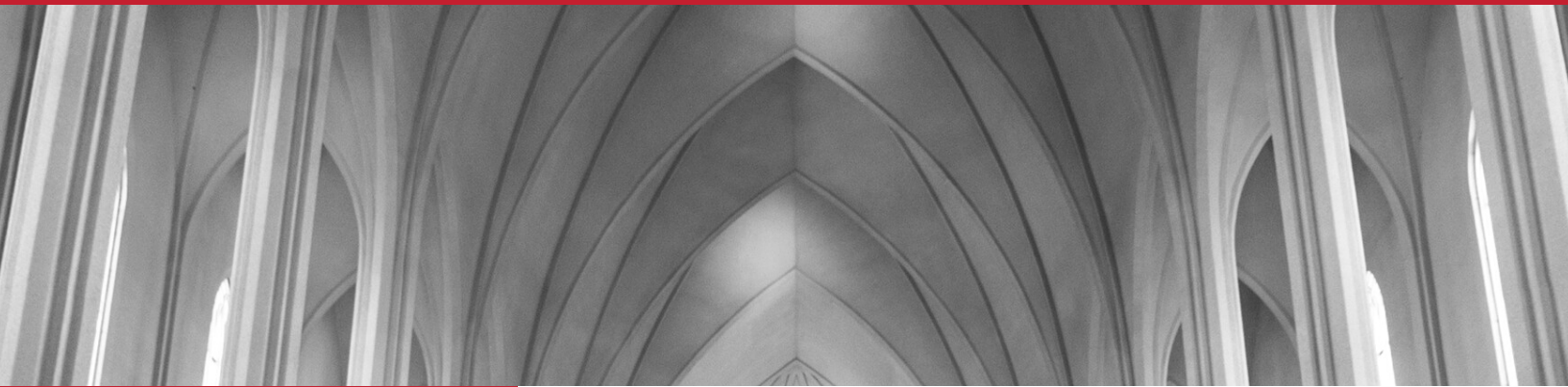
July 6-12 in Helena, Arkansas. Cost: \$125 per person/\$300 family max + travel

This is traditionally a family mission trip, and volunteers work in Vacation Bible School leading rotations, teaching sports, or teaching swimming. Construction opportunities are also available. Children under the age of 12 are campers and practice the ministry of friendship.

### Passport Puerto Rico

July 21-27: If there is interest, I would like to offer this trip to our HS students (completed 9th-12th grades). An email with all the details will come out next week. In the meantime, if you are interested, please let me know!





# CHILDRENS MINISTRY

## Preaching Schedule:

- 3/3 *Women's Day*
- 3/10 *John 12:1-8*  
*Extravagant Gifts*
- 3/17 *Mark 14:32-52*  
*Alone*
- 3/24 *Palm Sunday*  
*Matthew 21:1-11*  
*Who Is This?*
- 3/31 *Easter*  
*Mark 14:55-65*  
*Hard Choices*

## Upcoming Children's Ministry Events

### GABC CHILDREN'S MISSION PROJECT

In partnership with Hermitage High School, we are asking the children to save/collect the following items for the school's STEAM challenges.

- CARDBOARD BOXES
- PAPER TOWEL ROLLS
- TAPE
- PLASTIC/PAPER CUPS
- STRAWS
- TISSUE BOXES
- POPSICLES STICKS
- FOAM/PAPER PLATES
- RUBBER BANDS



Please bring all donations to GABC by Sunday March 17

### Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 23  
11:00 am  
Rain or Shine!



Lunch (hotdogs and chips) provided following the Egg Hunt

### Palm Sunday March 24

Our children's choir will be leading in worship.

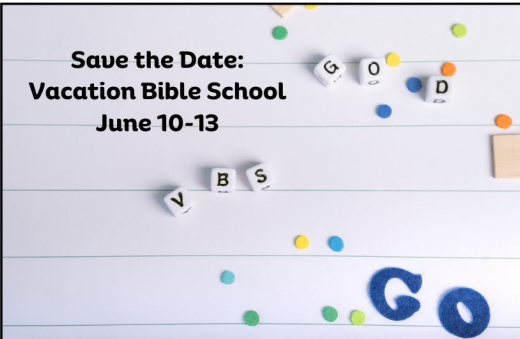
Practice will be held on  
Wednesdays at 6:15pm and  
Sundays at 10am



### Coming Soon... Dates for GABC Family Campout



### Save the Date: Vacation Bible School June 10-13



For more information contact Darie Lee, Associate Pastor for Children  
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