



# Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

April 2018

## A Word from Your Pastor

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Easter Sunday will be April 1<sup>st</sup>. Easter is the highlight of the Christian year. It is our most important holiday of all (even more significant than Christmas). On Easter, we proclaim the timeless truth of the Gospel: that God planned for the salvation of the world through the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Even though Jesus experienced an agonizing death on the cross, the grave could not keep him captive. The

resurrected Christ lives and reigns with his Heavenly Father forever, which offers us hope. As we have done in the past, we will have two identical worship services on Easter Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>: one will be at 8:30 am and the second will be at 10:00 am. We will have the same hymns, same choir, and the same sermon for both services. If you want to avoid the crowds, then I encourage you to come to the 8:30 service.

During the month of March, we completed some upgrades to our video and sound equipment. The big announcement that I have to share is that our worship services are now available to watch on-line. If you miss church on a Sunday or if you are interested in watching the service again, you can check us out on the internet. Most of our worship services are now being streamed live on-line. For more information on accessing a service live or on demand, please see page 3 of this newsletter! Our church hired Audio, Light & Music from Norfolk, VA to complete the upgrades. I'm grateful to Nonie Booth and the Worship Committee for their diligent work in pursuing these upgrades, the support of the Finance Committee and the Session, and several volunteers who have agreed to assist with the new sound and video equipment.

I will be teaching a Tuesday evening Bible Study beginning on April 24<sup>th</sup> that will continue until May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Most of the lessons that I will be teaching come from the book of Acts, which tells the story of the early church. These lessons from Acts teach us some of the most foundational things about being in Christian community together. We will be meeting each Tuesday at 5:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall. You are invited to come any week that you are able. It will follow the same format as the Bible Studies we have done in the past. We will be studying together on Tuesday the same passage that I will be preaching on the following Sunday. Several people who have attended these Bible Study sessions have shared how our discussions have helped them get more out of the worship service on Sunday mornings. Please invite any friends or neighbors to come and join us.

Here is the schedule:

- April 24 at 5:15 pm: Acts 4:5-22
- May 1 at 5:15 pm: Acts 10
- May 8 at 5:15 pm: Acts 1:1-11 and 21-26
- May 15 at 5:15 pm: Acts 2:1-21 and 37-47
- May 22 at 5:15 pm: Proverbs 8

Peace in Christ,  
Jody Moore



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### Prayer Concerns

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

- Jack Abernethy
- Kathy Ballard
- Marc Basnight
- Lou Batzler
- Don & Nancy Bierwerth
- Anne Cramer
- Tom Charlton
- Dennis Dutt
- Lori Gallagher
- Sarah Garvin
- Cindy Goes
- June Harris
- Ansley Johnson
- Karen Lurie
- Barbara Morgan
- Mickey Meekins
- Etta Parrott
- Richard Pfersick
- Lawrence Rust
- Bud Sheets
- Jane Smith
- Hans Stelzer
- Russell Taylor
- Tim Tiller
- Nancy Worsley
- Those Serving our Country

### Easter Sunday - April 1, 2018

**TWO Identical Services:  
8:30 am & 10:00 am**

Please join us in worship on Easter Sunday, April 1st. It will be a joyous occasion! For the fifth consecutive year, we will have two identical worship services on Easter at 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. The 8:30 am service will have the same sermon, hymns, choir anthem, and Order of Service.

We will have our traditional "bare" wire cross in the Gathering Space for you to adorn with flowers from your garden. Every year this is just such a beautiful way to give thanks and praise to our Risen Lord, so please remember to bring a flower for our cross.

### We are Thankful for our Willing Volunteers

#### Coffee Hour Schedule

April 1 .....Easter – No Coffee Hour  
 April 8.....Christian Education  
 April 15..... Lydia Circle  
 April 22.....Fellowship Committee  
 April 29.....Dorcas Circle

#### Flower Schedule

April 1 ..... Easter Lilies  
 April 8..... Karol Browder  
 April 15..... Available  
 April 22..... Carl & Laura Lillieberg  
 April 29.....Sue Callens

#### Liturgist Schedule

April 1 ..... Ike McRee  
 April 8.....Barbara Hardy  
 April 15..... Brenda Brown  
 April 22..... Nonie Booth  
 April 29..... Youth Group

#### Children's Church

April 1 .....Hardy / David (8:30 am)  
 Braymiller / Wood (10:00 am)  
 April 8.....Hollie & Jody Lewis  
 April 15.....Hollie & Jody Lewis  
 April 22..... Braymiller / Wood  
 April 29..... Warren Davis

### April Birthdays

Hollie Lewis ..... 1	Jim Goes .....16
Jeff Rhodes ..... 1	Tom Williamson.....16
John Dick..... 3	Judith Moore .....16
Tom Charlton..... 5	Donna Evans.....16
Judy Diaz..... 8	Susan Smith.....19
Jody Moore..... 9	Emily Hastings .....21
Dan Harris ..... 10	Bethany Siefferman.....21
Etta Parrott ..... 10	Donna Lowcher .....22
Max Strange ..... 11	Winkey Roberts.....22
Melanie Cahoon ..... 13	Elisabeth Writtenberry.....26
Claudette Forney..... 14	Lyman Futrell .....30
Karen McIver ..... 15	Jessica Lowcher.....30
Lynn Miller ..... 15	Millie Rickers .....30

### April Anniversaries

Mr. & Mrs. Jake Maestas..... 1
Mr. & Mrs. Winkey Roberts..... 5
Mr. & Mrs. Bob Messinger ..... 9
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Smith..... 9
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Hardy ..... 14
Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Rhodes ..... 28

## Upcoming Sermons: April 2017

### The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

**April 1, 2018**  
**(Easter Sunday)**  
**Mark 16:1-8**

Mark tells us about the events of the first Easter, when Salome, Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary go to Jesus' tomb only to find that the stone is rolled away and Jesus' body isn't there. An angel tells them not to be afraid because Jesus Christ has been resurrected. Jesus' victory shows us that God is stronger than even death!

**April 8, 2018**  
**1<sup>st</sup> John 1:1-2:2**

1<sup>st</sup> John applies the good news of Easter to our spiritual lives by identifying our need to admit our sins so that we can receive forgiveness from the Lord. Jesus Christ is the one who delivers and saves us from all unrighteousness. What does it look like for us to experience God's saving grace?

**April 15, 2018**  
**John 20:19-31**

Thomas has doubts about whether Jesus has been resurrected because he was initially not able to see Jesus and feel his wounds. Doubts are part of the life of faith. Jesus has compassion for Thomas and invites him to feel the nail marks in his hands. Jesus also longs for us to bring our doubts to him so he can assist us.

**April 29, 2018**  
**Acts 4:5-22**

Peter and John are arrested soon after Pentecost by the same religious leaders who had killed Jesus. Just a few weeks earlier when Jesus was arrested, John intentionally avoided the religious authorities and Peter denied his Lord three times. Peter and John failed their Lord the night of Jesus' arrest. However, now that they had seen the resurrected Christ and received the Holy Spirit, they are ready to stand up for what is right and true. What does it look like for us to stand up for God?



As referenced in the Pastor's article for this month, Outer Banks Presbyterian Church is excited to announce the addition of Live Streaming our worship services on our website. You will also have the option to watch services on demand. Follow the simple instructions listed below to do either that you wish.

### Live Stream

The live streaming usually starts about 10 minutes prior to a worship service beginning. Simply open your computer or smart device and use the following simple steps.

1. Go to [www.outerbankspresbyterian.org](http://www.outerbankspresbyterian.org)
2. Hover over the tab across the top that says media
3. Select the option that says "Watch Services"
4. The first option on this page you "Click here to view live broadcast."

### Watch Services on Demand

Worship services are typically available within 24 hours after broadcast. To watch a service you may have missed, please follow these simple steps.

1. Go to [www.outerbankspresbyterian.org](http://www.outerbankspresbyterian.org)
2. Hover over the tab across the top that says media
3. Select the option that says "Watch Services"
4. Scroll down the page until you find the service you wish to watch and click on the Sunday or Event date.

### Listen to Audio of Sermons Only

The audio of the sermon only is typically available within 24 hours after broadcast. To listen to a sermon you may have missed, please follow these simple steps.

1. Go to [www.outerbankspresbyterian.org](http://www.outerbankspresbyterian.org)
2. Hover over the tab across the top that says media
3. Select the option that says "Listen to Sermons"
4. Scroll down the page until you find the service you wish to listen to the audio of the sermon.

### Communion Date Change

Due to having two identical worship services on Easter Sunday, April 1, we will be postponing the Sacrament of Holy Communion until Sunday, April 8.

We are very thankful for our volunteers who set up and provide the elements each month for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. For Sunday, April 8, our Communion Guild volunteers are Evelyn Webb and Carol Moore.

### News from Congregational Care

On Wednesday, April 18, 2018, at 3 pm in the Fellowship Hall, the CCC will host an afternoon for "sharing stories and pictures of our lives." **Everyone is invited** to bring some pictures and memories from childhood, school years, early adult years, travel, or any special event in your personal history. It's an afternoon to get newly acquainted with people we all thought we knew!

Reminder of these important resources in Dare County:

- a. Dare County Transportation System provides rides to local and intercity places; for scheduling rides, contact Don Cabana, Director, 252.475.5640 or donc@darenc.com. Rates are \$3 for local travel, and \$14 for long distances.
- b. Interfaith Community Outreach, Outer Banks; 252.480.0070
- c. Hands of Hope for cancer patients through the Hospital. Contact Kelly Divita, 252.449.4550 (work) or 757.572.7274 (mobile)
- d. Baum Center for Older Adult Services, 252.475.5635

### News from the March 2018 Stated Session Meeting

#### SESSION ACTION:

On Sunday, February 25, 2018, Session approved the Baptisms and Professions of Faith of two of our youth, Cailin Elizabeth Lewis and Grace Elizabeth Hook. This was a special event in the life of the OBPC. Please welcome these two new members into our church family.

#### SESSION APPROVED BY ELECTRONIC VOTE:

- A. Christian Education Committee's recommendations:
  - 1. The Youth Hotdog and Hamburger Cookout and Fundraiser on the church grounds on Pentecost Sunday, May 20, 2018 at 5 pm;
  - 2. Youth Sunday on April 29, 2018, and a special offering, "Pass the Basket," to be taken for the Youth Permanent Fund;
  - 3. Recognition Sunday for High School and College Graduates, on June 10, 2018;
  - 4. Vacation Bible School, July 16-20, 2018 using "Shipwrecked" Curriculum; and
  - 5. The week of July 28 – August 4, 2018 for our Youth to attend Montreat.
- B. The Service of Hope to be held in the OBPC sanctuary on Sunday, April 15, 2018 at 4 pm.

Please put these dates on your calendar and support the efforts of our Youth Director and of members of our church family as they serve the greater community.

#### OTHER REMINDERS:

- A. Contact Jeanne Martie or Mollie Bass if you can help with Meals for Ruthie's Kitchen on June 5, September 4, and/or Dec. 4, 2018.
- B. The 2018 Session Retreat is scheduled on May 12, 2018; 9:00 am until 3:30 pm at the church. Leaders from the PCUSA Board of Pensions will join with the Session and some of the Committees for the goal of having our church participate in the *Healthy Pastors, Healthy Congregations* Initiative.
- C. Pastor Jody will lead a 5-week Bible study on Tuesday evenings at 5:15 pm, beginning on April 24, 2018.
- D. The next Stated Session Meeting will be on April 10, 2018, 6:30 pm.



# April 2018 Church Calendar

Sunday School: 9:00 am		Worship: 10:00 am		Elder of the Month: Barb Nowland		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>  8:30 & 10:00 Worship	<b>2</b> Office Closed Easter Monday	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 6:30 pm: Adult Study	<b>5</b> 9:30 am: Dorcas Circle	<b>6</b> 8:00 am: Men's Study	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <i>The Sacrament of                      Holy Communion</i> 2:30 pm: Stamp Club 5:00 pm: Youth Group	<b>9</b> 6:30 pm: Boy Scouts	<b>10</b> 9:30 am: Faith Knitters 6:30 pm: Session 6:30 pm: Cub Scouts	<b>11</b> 9:30 am: Lydia Circle 6:00 pm: Sanctuary Choir 6:30 pm: Adult Study	<b>12</b> 5:30 pm: Faith, Hope, Love Circle	<b>13</b> 8:00 am: Men's Study	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 4:00 pm: Relay for Life Service of Hope 5:00 pm: Youth Group	<b>16</b> 6:30 pm: Boy Scouts	<b>17</b> 6:30 pm: Cub Scouts	<b>18</b> 2:00 PM: Cong. Care 3:00 PM: Sharing our Stories 6:00 pm: Sanctuary Choir 6:30 pm: Adult Study	<b>19</b> 12:00 N: Third Thursday Luncheon	<b>20</b> 8:00 am: Men's Study	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 5:00 pm: Youth Group	<b>23</b> 6:30 pm: Boy Scouts	<b>24</b> 9:30 am: Faith Knitters 5:15 pm: Pastor's Bible Study 6:30 pm: Cub Scouts	<b>25</b> 5:15 pm: Christian Ed. Meeting 6:00 pm: Sanctuary Choir 6:30 pm: Adult Study	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 8:00 am: Men's Study	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> Youth Sunday	<b>30</b>					

*Note: There are sessions of AA that meet Mon-Sat at 7:30 am and 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.*



# Presbyterian Women



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

### DORCAS CIRCLE

Thursday, April 5 | 9:30 am

This meeting will be held at the home of Helen Gauvreau.

### FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE CIRCLE

Thursday, April 12 | 5:30 pm

This meeting will be held at the church.

### LYDIA CIRCLE

Wednesday, April 11 | 9:30 am

This meeting will be held at the home of Nancy Messinger.

## The Presbyterian Women’s Birthday!

Presbyterian Women are 30 years old this year! Come celebrate at the Spring Gathering of PW of The Presbytery of New Hope on Saturday, April 14 at First Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount. Registration begins at 9:30 AM with the Call to Order at 10:00 AM. The guest speaker will be Susan Jackson Dowd, the Executive Director of PW of PCUSA. Susan is from Louisville and also editor of Horizons magazine. Annual business will be conducted, brunch served and party time with cake and ice cream!! Brenda Brown has additional information and registration forms.

In May, the Birthday Offering will be celebrated and dedicated at a gathering of the women of OBPC with a luncheon at the church. The date and time will be announced later.

## Third Thursday Lunch: April 19

We will be meeting for the final Third Thursday lunch at Sugar Creek Restaurant in Nags Head, on April 19 at noon. Sugar Creek is on the causeway to Manteo (drive south on the bypass, past the outlet mall, and follow the road to the right)

Everyone – members and friends -- is invited to come. You will select what you want to eat from their menu, and pay your own bill. Please contact Jeanne Martie by Sunday evening, April 15, if you are interested in attending -- 441-8608 or jlmartie@charter.net.

On a side note, this is the last time I will be arranging for Third Thursday lunches. If anyone would like to start making arrangements with area restaurants, please contact me. I can give you all of the information I have accumulated the past few years. Lunches range from September to May. You can decide if you want to do it every month, every other month, or like this year, just three times. Third Thursday lunches are a fun opportunity for people to get to know each other and to experience various restaurants in the area.

-- Jeanne

## Bus Shopping Trip

A group of eleven embarked on a day of shopping at the new Premier Outlets in Norfolk, VA. After shopping they enjoyed lunch at the Cracker Barrel.



Those who went on the trip were Jeanne Thomson, Carol Lambert, Anita Bennett, Susi Gentry, Helen Dick, EJ Markwood, Linda Helmkamp, Jeanne Martie and Helen Gauvreau. Karen Lurie and Sharon Moore took turns driving the bus! A great time was had by all!



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

### Stay Tuned for an Upcoming Carwash

Boy Scout Troop 116 will host a car wash as a fundraiser to benefit summer camp! The event will take place in the church parking lot. Stay tuned to your Sunday bulletins for updates as to when the event will be held!



### Resurrection of the Lord Service

Sunday, April 1, 2018  
8:30 am & 10:00 am

### The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday, April 8, 2017 | 10:00 am

### Relay For Life – Service of Hope

Sunday, April 15, 2018  
4:00 pm

### Youth Sunday at OBPC

Sunday, April 29, 2018  
10:00 am

### Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 20, 2018  
10:00 am

### Julianne Laird, Soprano

June 17, 2018  
4:00 pm

### Let Freedom Ring Patriotic Concert

Sunday, July 1, 2018 | 5:00 pm  
Presented by: The Sanctuary Choir,  
Orchestra & Guest Singers

### Vacation Bible School

“Shipwrecked”  
July 16-20, 2018

### Montreat Youth Conference

“Lift Every Voice”  
July 28 – August 4, 2018

### Presbyterian Women’s Retreat

Stay tuned: Coming Fall of 2017

### Christmas at Outer Banks Presbyterian

Presented by: The Sanctuary Choir,  
Musicians & Guest Singers

Saturday, Dec. 1 | 5:00 pm  
Sunday, Dec. 2 | 5:00 pm

### Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Monday, December 24, 2018  
5:00 pm

## Relay For Life: Service of Hope



On Sunday afternoon, April 15, Outer Banks Presbyterian Church will host the Dare County Relay For Life Service of Hope. Several area ministers as well as a community

choir will participate in this celebration of HOPE in the fight against cancer. Individuals will be given the opportunity to purchase a luminary for \$10.00 prior to the service “In Honor Of” or “In Memory Of” a loved one. As part of the “Service of Hope” luminaries (bags with glow sticks) bearing the name of a person touched by cancer will be displayed.

## Calling all Graduates



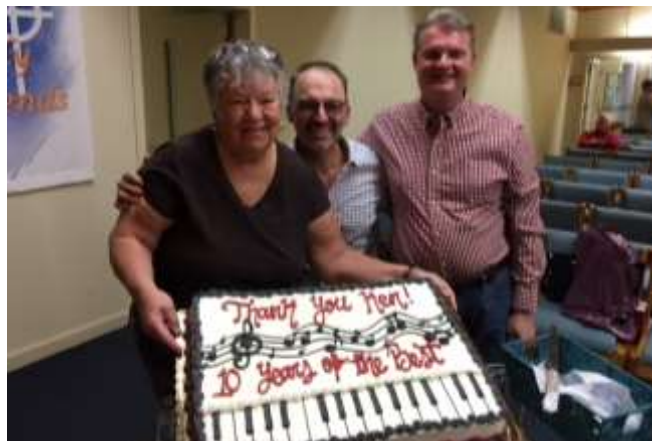
### Scholarship

Scholarship applications are now available in the church office. Completed applications are due by

April 3, 2018. To qualify for the scholarship the student must be an active member of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church and plan to enroll in a nonprofit institution of higher education such as colleges, universities, community colleges and trade schools. Applications are also available on the church's website.

## 2018 Easter Musical Revisited

What a tremendous success our 2018 Easter Musical was this year. The 58-voice choir and 13-piece orchestra did two outstanding presentations of “The Love of God” under the direction of guest conductor, Ken Clifton. Following the Friday evening rehearsal, the choir and orchestra joined Ken for cake celebrating this being the 10<sup>th</sup> concert he has conducted at OBPC! CDs are available of the concert for \$10. Please see Jason or Cathie!



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