



Binnacle

February 2022

Bayside Presbyterian Church Staff

Rev. Dr. David Rollins

Pastor & Head of Staff
drollins@baysidepresby.org
757.323.6569

Rev. Emma Ouellette

Associate Pastor
eouellette@baysidepresby.org
313.580.4510

Chi Yi Chen Wolbrink

Director of Music Ministry
cwolbrink@baysidepresby.org
732.310.3832

Lacy Randall

Director of Youth & Family Outreach
lschimmel@baysidepresby.org
920.606.5469

Saul Fox

Praise Team Director
saul.fox@gmail.com

Eugene Towler

Building Superintendent
etowler@baysidepresby.org
757.227.0444

David Black

Building Maintenance

Pam & Ed Spillman

Co-Treasurers
treasurer@baysidepresby.org

Luanne Wong | Mary Hubbard

Rita Dunning

Assistant Treasurers

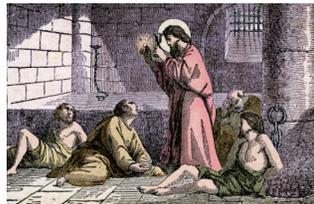
Kathleen Armstrong

Preschool Director
preschool@baysidepresby.org
757.464.0292

Linda Vogl

Church Administrator
lvogl@baysidepresby.org
757.460.1188

Article	Page
The Legend of St. Valentine	2
A Well Times Respite	3
What's Your Favorite Bible Story?	4
Bayside Kindergarten & Preschool Registration—Open!	4
A Note From the Treasurers	5
Bayside Ecumenical Churches Blood Drive	5
February Celebrations	6
February Calendar	7
Annual Congregational Meeting	Back



The Legend of St. Valentine

The history of Valentine's Day—and the story of its patron saint—is shrouded in mystery. We do know that February has long been celebrated as a month of romance, and that St. Valentine's Day, as we know it today, contains vestiges of both Christian and ancient Roman tradition. But who was Saint Valentine, and how did he become associated with this ancient rite?

The Catholic Church recognizes at least three different saints named Valentine or Valentinus, all of whom were martyred. One legend contends that Valentine was a priest who served during the third century in Rome. When Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than those with wives and families, he outlawed marriage for young men. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret. When Valentine's actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death. Still others insist that it was Saint Valentine of Terni, a bishop, who was the true namesake of the holiday. He, too, was beheaded by Claudius II outside Rome. *Taken from: <https://www.history.com/topics/valentines-day/history-of-valentines-day-2>*

Bayside Publication Deadlines

Weekly Bulletin - Wednesdays by 9:00 am

Minutes for Mission, Announcements, Flowers, Ushers

Weekly Helmsman - Thursdays by 9:00 am

Events, announcements, calendar updates

REVO or Electronic Bulletin Board - Thursdays by 9:00 am

Events, announcements

Monthly Newsletter - Binnacle - the 15th of each month.



I have enjoyed visiting the mountains of North Carolina ever since I was a young boy. My Aunt Linda and Uncle John lived in Hendersonville, N.C., and our family vacations often involved going to visit them and spending time with my cousins Sonia and Randy. We played in the creeks, camped along some rivers, and ran around in the woods making up games to play. I grew up hiking in these mountains with my dad and brothers. We made our way up to the top of Catawba Falls more than 20 years prior to it becoming part of the Pisgah National Forrest.

As I grew older, I continued to feel the draw of the mountains, visiting Montreat, camping with friends, and playing in the whitewater of the Nantahala. One of the famous quotes attributed to John Muir is, "the mountains are calling, and I must go." For me the pull is as strong as ever, especially



just outside Black Mountain, in Montreat, N.C. I am writing this on what would have been my mom's 79th birthday, she has been gone now more than 17 years. The beauty here is a beauty my mom loved as well. She taught me

and helped me to see the beauty of God's creation all around me. I think she would really love it here today as it has been snowing all day, and as the snow falls a beautiful pair of Cardinals are visible outside.

For me this is a well-timed respite. It is Kairos time. I know that God is with us wherever we go, wherever we are, yet people that know me at all know this is a thin space for me, a space where I feel closer to the divine. In this place and this time, it is time for me to reconnect with colleagues, review some sermons, time to rest and rejuvenate. I plan to enjoy the snow while it is here, who knows I might even go out and play in it. The snow may be on the ground all week, but eventually it will melt away. If it was here forever, we probably wouldn't appreciate it as much as we do. I long for a day when we appreciate the beauty of everything and everyone, we encounter. Perhaps, that is a dream, but I know if we are intentional about looking for the beauty of God's creation, the more we will see it and be able to celebrate it.

Peace,
David



What's Your Favorite Bible Story?

What is your favorite bible story from your childhood? Was it Noah and the ark? Or maybe David and Goliath? For me it's the story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the book of Daniel. The first reason it's a favorite is because there are fun names to say like Abednego or Nebuchadnezzar, the second reason is the powerful reminder of God's protection of the three men in the fire.



To refresh your memory on this story, the three men were brought before King

Nebuchadnezzar to bow down and worship the idol and god of Babylon, yet they refused. After several attempts to make the men bend to the King's will, the King has them thrown into the fire. But when the officers looked into the fire they saw the men not consumed by the flames but instead joined by someone else in the fire. The men believed that God would save them and God did. God protected them in the fire. This story is overwhelming and for our modern-day brains not easy to comprehend. However, the lesson of having faith and that faith indeed makes you brave is one that as a child I was drawn to. And it is still a lesson I'm drawn to.

Faith isn't a passive action. Faith is brave, vulnerable, empathetic, and emotional. To have faith is to know God is with you even when you may

not believe it. This month I encourage you to think about your favorite bible story from childhood. How does it resignation with you today? What new lessons can you learn from it? Why was it so important to you? Or if you don't have a story from your childhood, what is a bible story you remember that spoke to you in a deep way? Revisiting some of these stories may help deepen your relationship with God or inspire you in your faith. I'd love to hear what your favorite story is! Send me an email or share with me at church.

Faith

Joyfully,

Emma



**Bayside Presbyterian
Preschool and
Kindergarten**

Registration for all of our classes for the Fall of 2022 is open at this time. Please contact the preschool at (757) 464-0292 or preschool@baysidepresby.org for any questions about enrolling your child or grandchild.

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day on Friday, February 11th in several of our classes and Monday, February 14th for other classes by exchanging valentines and having parties.

The children will be learning about Community Helpers during the month of February: who they are, what they do and how they help us live in our community each.

Happy Valentine's Day! - Kathy Armstrong





program that exists on the cloud. When we need to learn how to use one of the module functions we can go to the Church Windows website to watch how-to videos, or we can call their tech support and talk to a live person. We do not own the software – we rent it and receive the tech support at a cost of \$124.00 each month.

Church Windows is a big help in managing all our financial workload at the church.

From Your Treasurers

Pam & Ed Spillman

Our church deals with a number of outside financial institutions to manage its funds – we have a checking and money market account with Towne Bank. We have Certificates of Deposit there too and some at Langley Federal Credit Union. We basically go to whichever bank offers the best CD rates – you can see who we use by looking at the Balance Sheet, available in the Treasurer’s Office...or if you are a member of Session it is on the Bayside website with the other Session materials. Endowment uses Charles Schwab to invest its funds, and we use TD Ameritrade to process stock donations.

To manage and report all of these funds internally, however, we use a software called Church Windows. Think of Church Windows as an elaborate check register. Just like at home when write a check or deposit funds to your banking account, pay bills using web bill pay, or transfer funds between accounts, you have to write it in the check register. It is similar in Church Windows – it is your “check register” where you record whatever you are doing through your bank.

Church Windows has two financial modules – the Donation Module and the Accounting Module.

- In the Donation module, we record donations received online and in paper form. It is through this module that we are able to produce Giving Statements, manage Giving Envelopes, and manage Giver Numbers. We also use the Donations Module to keep track of pledges, and to record In-Kind Donations.
- The Accounting Module is used to record income (both transferred from the Donations Module, as well as received independently), and issue checks to pay bills. Church Windows is used to conduct monthly reconciliations to the bank statements, and to produce financial reports such as the Treasurer’s Report and Balance Sheet. It is where we can do journal entries to move around funds, or to record web transfers to pay payroll, and fringe benefit payments for staff.

Church Windows also has a Membership Module, used by Linda Vogl to keep track of our congregants. Linda is the Systems Administrator for the entire system. It is a large



Bayside Ecumenical Churches Blood Drive

Bayside’s Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

2:00 pm—7:00 pm

Look for scheduling information to come via email or weekly newsletter!



**American
Red Cross**

February CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

1-Feb	Lee Abdou Nancy Hamilton
2-Feb	Richard Guy Barrie Jeffcoat Elaine Moore
3-Feb	Lonnie Minson
4-Feb	Rob James
5-Feb	Kenneth Baker Jr. Bonita Gilchrist
6-Feb	Will Albertoli C. Elizabeth Parker
7-Feb	Peggy Damuth Lucy Howe Alan Rohanna
8-Feb	Louise Wombolt
9-Feb	Alice Murray
11-Feb	Leslie Culbertson
12-Feb	Ellie Velasquez
14-Feb	Beth Montoya
16-Feb	Lindsey Jackson Gregor McLeod
17-Feb	Linda Allen
18-Feb	Mary Tatterson
20-Feb	Eden Fox Gary Francella
22-Feb	Caroline Williamson
23-Feb	Donald Guy
24-Feb	Bob Baker
25-Feb	Jennifer Costello Daniel Totten
26-Feb	Ed Borchers John Pascuzzi Judy Rudacille
27-Feb	Svitlana Damuth Sperry Davis Nancy Lowery

ANNIVERSARIES

1-Feb	Bob & Janet L Baker
2-Feb	Ed & Dot Fournier
8-Feb	Lori & Daniel Batten
14-Feb	Jenevra & Scott Davis
19-Feb	Robert & Ruth LeMay
24-Feb	Stephen & Janet Baker

Groundhog Day (Pennsylvania German: *Grund'sau däk, Grundsaudaag, Grundsow Dawg, Murmeltiertag*; Nova Scotia: **Daks Day**)^[1] is a popular North American tradition observed in the United States and Canada on February 2. It derives from the Pennsylvania Dutch superstition that if a groundhog emerging from its burrow on this day sees its shadow due to clear weather, it will retreat to its den and winter will persist for six more weeks; if it does not see its shadow because of cloudiness, spring will arrive early.



While the tradition remains popular in the 21st century, studies have found no consistent correlation between a groundhog seeing its shadow and the subsequent arrival time of spring-like weather.^[2] The weather lore was brought from German-speaking areas where the badger (German: *Dachs*) is the forecasting animal. This appears to be an enhanced version of the lore that clear weather on the Christian festival of Candlemas forebodes a prolonged winter.

The Groundhog Day ceremony held at Punxsutawney in western Pennsylvania, centering on a semi-mythical groundhog named Punxsutawney Phil, has become the most frequently attended ceremony. *Grundsow Lodges* in Pennsylvania Dutch Country in the southeastern part of the state observe the occasion as well. Other cities in the United States and Canada also have adopted the event.

Taken from: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Groundhog_Day

February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9:30 Staff Mtg 10:00 Circle 6 7:00 Ministry Mtg	2  5:45 JAM 7:00 Choir	3 12:00 Handbells 4:00 MOPS	4	5
6 10:00 Sun. School 10:00 Choir 11:00 Whole Family Of God Combined Worship Service & Ordination of Kim Coyle 12:00 Annual Congregational Mtg 12:00 Handbell 6:00 Youth Group	7 7:00 Praise Team	8 8:00 Men's Brkfst 9:30 Staff Mtg 10:00 Circle 6	9 10:00 Circle 3 5:45 JAM 7:00 Choir	10 12:00 Handbells	11	12 7:30 Men's Brkfst 11:00 Circle 10
13 9:00 Contemporary 10:00 Sunday School 10:00 Choir 11:00 Traditional 12:00 Handbell 6:00 Youth Group	14  11:00 Circle 8 6:30 Circle 4 7:00 Praise Team	15 9:15 SIS 9:30 Staff Mtg 10:00 Circle 6 7:00 Session	16 5:45 JAM 7:00 Choir	17 12:00 Handbells 4:00 MOPS	18	19
20 9:00 Contemporary 10:00 Sunday School 10:00 Choir 11:00 Traditional 12:00 Handbell 6:00 Youth Group	21 Church Office Open  7:00 Praise Team	22 8:00 Men's Brkfst 9:15 SIS 9:30 Staff Mtg	23 5:45 JAM 7:00 Choir	24 12:00 Handbells	25	26 7:30 Men's Brkfst
27 9:00 Contemporary 10:00 Sunday School 10:00 Choir 11:00 Traditional 12:00 Handbell 6:00 Youth Group	28 12:00 Circle 8 7:00 Praise Team	Coming In March Tuesday, March 1st—Bayside Ecumenical Churches Blood Drive 2:00 pm—7:00 pm Tuesday, March 1st—Ministry Team Meetings—7:00 pm				



Congregational Meeting

Bayside's Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, February 6, 2022

Immediately following the Whole Family of God

Combined Worship Service at 11:00



Bayside Presbyterian Church
1400 Ewell Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23455
757-460-1188
www.baysidepresby.org

Join Us Sunday Mornings!

9:00 am—Contemporary Worship

10:00 am—Sunday School

11:00 am—Traditional Worship

All Are Welcome!

*1st Sunday of each month we celebrate the
Lord's Supper with a
Combined Worship Service at 11:00 am*

*We are a covenant community of Christ's people seeking to know and do the will of God.
Changing lives. Growing Christian disciples. Living God's word.*