



September, 2019

THE NEWSLETTER OF PINE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Henry Ward Beecher was an American Congregationalist clergyman, social reformer, and speaker, known for his support of the abolition of slavery. Beecher once stated, *“Every tomorrow has two handles. We can take hold of it with the handle of anxiety or the handle of faith.”* As Christians we know the tension that we often feel between our faith in God and his promises and the anxieties of living in this world. We tell ourselves that God is with us but we still may feel overwhelmed by anxiety.



During the month of September our Wednesday Bible study will be based on Max Lucado’s book *Anxious for Nothing*. The DVD Bible study will explore Paul’s words from Philippians 4: *“Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”* As we follow this prescription – celebrating God’s goodness, asking for his help, leaving concerns with him, meditating on good things – we will experience a peace that “transcends all understanding.” While anxiety is a *part* of life, it doesn’t have to *dominate* life. With God as your helper and his promises at your side, you and your church can discover a life of calm and develop tools for combating the onslaught of anxiety.

Join us on Wednesday Nights beginning September 4 @ 6:30 pm as we share together in learning to live with our anxieties as a people of faith.

With Special Thanks

September 1, 2019 is the twelfth anniversary of our Associate Pastor, Dr. Clinton Jackson. We feel blessed to have such a capable and loyal servant on our staff. Thank you Rev. Jackson for assisting our pastor and congregation in so many ways. Your dedication and faithfulness is deeply appreciated.

The Personnel Committee



A Time of Blessing for Those Returning to School September 1

During our worship service on September 1 we will be offering a time of blessing for our children returning to school. If you have school aged children, then we would love for them to participate.



Envelope Offering (through August 18)

Budget: \$83,361
Given: \$71,440
Variance: -\$14,921



The annual offering for Virginia missions was named for **Alma Hunt** (1909-2008), a native Virginian who was known worldwide for her missions service and her unswerving dedication to the cause of Christ. Churches and individuals may contribute at any time.

The offering provides funding for all **Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia** (WMUV) missions and ministries and makes possible other special ministries, outreach projects, and initiatives not funded through regular streams of giving (but uniquely connected to Virginia Baptists).

Since 1976 this offering has been a joint venture between WMUV and the **Baptist General Association of Virginia** (BGAV).

The annual goal and allocation of funds are determined by the Executive Director/Treasurer of WMUV and the Executive Director of the BGAV and approved by their respective boards.

When you give to the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions, you are equipping those who seek to share with others how God has set them free to live and serve.

September Birthdays

- 1: Barbara Sprouse
- 14: Jean Neisz
- 16: Frances Schultz
- 18: Luca Neal
- 20: Sawyer Johnston
- 22: Jennifer Hairfield Wilson
Peggy Holt
- 25: Lynette Robinson



Anniversaries

- 14: Percy and Dorothy Blackburn
- 16: John and Tina O'Mary
- 30: Annis and Charlotte Blair



Deacon's Meeting: September 9, 6:30 pm
WMU Meeting: September 16, 11:00 am
Church Council Meeting: September 24, 6:30 pm



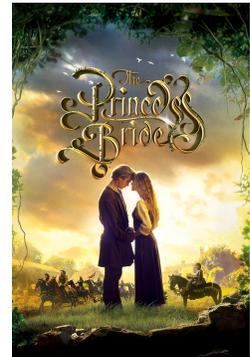
Thanks to everyone who contributed and helped at the Oregon Hill Baptist Center's School Store in August. As always, Pine Street's generosity with their gifts and time was evident.

Jennifer Turner

A big thanks to everyone who has helped in this year's Vacation Bible School. A special thanks to Jennifer Downer for organizing this ministry once again.



September 13 and September 27



Pine Street welcomes its newest members of the church!

Reagan Vault by baptism
Josh Schuyler by baptism
Sawyer Johnston by baptism
David Vinson by letter