

## March 2026

### Welcome March!

I am Judy Dewalt, your new Director of Senior Ministries. I am truly honored to be here and eager to see how the Lord will work through our time together.

Since moving to Richmond in 2015, my husband, Tom, and I have seen God's hand through every season of our lives. I've learned to lean fully on Him, trusting that He knows exactly what we need to do His work. We are the proud parents of two sons: Sean (29), an Operations Manager at Kings Dominion, and Jack (24), a Penn State grad heading to Army Reserve officer training this April before joining the NYC Police Academy.

Outside of ministry, you'll find me in my sewing room. My passion for quilting began in Indiana and led to a special project: a quilt signed by 270 veterans that now hangs in the Lehigh County government building. That experience deeply moved me and highlighted the unique journeys of those who serve.

After 15 years in Senior Living Activities, I felt a calling to return to a purposeful, faith-centered role here at Northside Baptist Church. I want to hear your vision for our program! Please reach out with ideas or suggestions at [jndewalt7600@gmail.com](mailto:jndewalt7600@gmail.com).

With blessings,

*Judy Dewalt*



## March Birthdays

- 1<sup>st</sup> Liz Conrad, Peggy Etheridge  
6<sup>th</sup> Charles Harrill, Teri Kidd  
7<sup>th</sup> Henry Coates  
8<sup>th</sup> Emma Shufflebarger  
11<sup>th</sup> Eileen Martin  
13<sup>th</sup> Sydney Harkins  
15<sup>th</sup> Garrie Denson  
18<sup>th</sup> Charlotte Modlin  
20<sup>th</sup> Jim Coates  
22<sup>nd</sup> Debbie Scott  
23<sup>rd</sup> Melba Hackett  
24<sup>th</sup> Wendell Jones, Barbara Kendig  
25<sup>th</sup> Robert Crummette  
30<sup>th</sup> Linda Burroughs  
31<sup>st</sup> Sue O'Connor



## Dates to Remember

Sit & Get Fit Monday & Thursday @ 9:30am – Fellowship Hall

Men's Bible Study Tuesdays @ 8:00am – Fellowship Hall

Women's Bible Study Tuesdays @ 10:00am – Acts Classroom

### Wednesday Nights in March

Fellowship Dinner @ 5:30pm

Bible Study @ 6:15pm

**(No Bible Study 3/4/26)**

Choir Rehearsal @ 7:00pm

Missions Team – 3/4/26 @ 4:30pm – Fellowship Hall

Business Meeting – 3/4/26 @ 6:15pm – Fellowship Hall

**Workday @ Bob Mills' Home – 3/6 & 7/26 @ 9:00am**

Deacon Team – 3/8/26 @ 8:00am – Conference Room

Bunco – 3/8/26, 3-5:30pm – Fellowship Hall

Joy Lunch – 3/10/26 @ 11:00am – Fellowship Hall

Healing Quilts – 3/12/26 @ 10:00am – Conference Room

Naomi Circle – 3/16/26 @ 7:00pm – Fellowship Hall

Painting Class – 3/17/26, 1-3:00pm – Fellowship Hall

Easter Festival – 3/21/26 @ 10:00am

Harbour Square – 3/22/26 @ 11:30am

Healing Quilts – 3/26/26 @ 10:00am – Conference Room

**Newsletter Articles for APRIL due by 3/25/26**



**Don't forget to set all  
of your clocks one  
hour ahead!**

**Daylight Saving Time  
begins  
3/8/26**



~ Mission Moments ~

**First Responders** – Planning to partner with homeschoolers to take snacks to the Hanover Fire Laurel Meadows Station. Date TBD

**MCEF** – collecting creamed corn, assorted jellies, canned fruit, beets, low-salt vegetables.

**Healing Quilts** – meeting regularly.

**Naomi Circle** – met 2/16. Card ministry to young people and loved ones. Missionary names distributed for prayer. Feminine products collected for MCEF. Packed 36 toiletry bags for the homeless and the facility where Frances Gillend resides.

**CARITAS** - Thanks to Gloria Harrison for coordinating this ministry. Delivery of 30 lunches was made Feb. 13, 2026. Homeschoolers decorated bags for this project. (kids on Mission!)

**Harbour Square** - Desiree Lytton heads this ministry. Deliveries last Sunday of each month to 25 families. Missions Team was among the 2025 recipients of a Hallelujah Grant from the Watson Offering Funds to support this ministry. Congratulations!

**Kroger** – 52 households participating. Encourage others to sign up. Instructions for signing up located in Common Grounds. Check for last quarter was \$172.83.

**Church Hill (River City Faith Network)** – Beverly Sweeney attends Bible Study, and reports needs to this team. Becky Butler has recently joined this ministry.

**Moments of Hope** – continuing to collect single pup tents, sleeping bags, blankets, coats, underwear, socks, flashlights, and batteries for the homeless. The Director picks up items on a regular basis.

**Bloom (PRC)**. - We provide baby bottle banks once a quarter to be filled with cash/checks to donate to this ministry. Collection on January 18<sup>th</sup> "Sanctity of Life" Sunday was \$167. Thank you for supporting this life-saving ministry. Next collection – April.

**Misc.** – Collection jars are located around the church for drink tabs. The Ronald McDonald House uses them to pay the electric bill.

Check out the new **Missions Bulletin Board** in the hallway on the way to the Fellowship Hall!



Congratulations to the Harbour Square Ministry for being the recipient of a **Hallelujah Grant** from the Dover Association. This was one of 14 grants awarded for 2025.

The Harbour Square food ministry at Northside Baptist falls under the reporting and budgeting of the Mission Team. The Harbour Square Ministry itself has a team of members that work within Missions guidelines. Harbour Square is an apartment complex for low-income families in Mechanicsville. The ministry strives to serve these families with a healthy bag of groceries the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. The team has the responsibility of grocery shopping, bagging and delivering the food. This team meets once per year to assess the viability as well as the direction of the ministry.

### Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Week of Prayer

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Week of Prayer is March 1-8, 2026. We pray for the 3,000 missionaries serving across the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa, the needs of their ministries, and the needs of their families. **Our giving goal at Northside this year is \$1500.** National Offering Goal is \$80 million and is administered through the North American Mission Board.



### **Donations Needed**

Can Fruit  
Cream Corn  
Beets  
Low-Salt Vegetables  
Assorted Jelly



### **Announcements from** Eric Schlaud, Music Director

Spring and Easter are just around the corner, and I'm thrilled to celebrate the gift of Eternal Life that has been given to each and every one of us through Christ our Savior. The choirs are diligently practicing for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. The music they will be singing will fill your soul and spirit with joy as we praise God together.

Please let your families and neighbors know that we would love for them to join us in celebrating both Palm Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> and Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>.

Let us praise God in all we do and say.



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## Help Us Make This Easter Egg-stra Special!

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is just around the corner, and we need a few more some-bunnies to help make the magic happen! Whether you're a master of disguise (egg hiding) or a crafting pro, we have a spot for you. We will hold the Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00am.

We are looking for volunteers to help with:

- Egg Prep: Help us stuff eggs with treats and surprises.
- The Big Hide: Arrive early to help scatter eggs across the lawn before the hunt begins.
- Craft Booths: Assist our little artists.

It's a fantastic way to connect with the younger families in the church and see the pure joy on the kids' faces. Plus, we promise plenty of coffee and snacks to keep your energy up!

**Ready to hop in?**

Blessings,

*Judy Dewalt*

**SIT AND GET FIT**  
Chair Exercise  
for Seniors



- Our **Senior Ministries** believe that staying active is a key part of our "JOY" in life! Our **Sit and Get Fit** class offers a low-impact workout that targets balance and coordination without the strain of standing. No previous exercise experience is required.



Bunco Bunch

## Let the Good Times Roll!

The **Holy Rollers Bunco Bunch** is gathering for an afternoon of fellowship, laughter, and just a little bit of competition. Whether you're a Bunco pro or have never rolled a die in your life, we want you there!

- **Where:** Fellowship Hall
- **When:** Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm
- **What to Bring:** A snack to share and your lucky streak!

*No experience needed—if you can count to six, you can play!*



## Brush Strokes & Fellowship

The **JOY Senior Ministries** invites you to our monthly **Painting Open Studio**. No instructors, no pressure—just a dedicated time and space to be creative.

Bring your current project and enjoy the company of fellow artists. We provide the space and the inspiration; you provide the talent!

**Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 1pm**



## JOY Lunch: Faith, Flowers, and Fellowship

Spring is in the air at **Northside Baptist**! Join our **Senior Ministries** for a special Sleepy Hollow Garden Club afternoon. We'll be rolling up our sleeves to create our own beautiful flower arrangements to take home and brighten our spirits.

- **The Menu:** A fresh garden salad topped with delicious grilled chicken.
- **The Program:** "Make Your Own Arrangement" workshop.
- **When:** March 10<sup>th</sup> at 11am
- **Where:** Fellowship Hall

*Come cultivate your creativity and enjoy a light, healthy lunch with friends! **Bring Greenery/Fillers***

**RSVP by 3/5/2026:** Judy Dewalt, 804-746-4952 or email [jndewalt7600@gmail.com](mailto:jndewalt7600@gmail.com)

Cost \$5.00 plus Can Food for Food Pantry

## March Sermons

March 1	Coming to Remember	1 Corinthians 11:23-29
March 8	A Sincere Faith	2 Timothy 1:1-7
March 15	Lord of Our Crossings	Mark 4:35-41
March 22	The Great Banquet	Luke 14:15-24
March 29	Palms to Passion	selected passages from all 4 Gospels



**Palm Sunday**  
**March 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter Sunday**  
**April 5<sup>th</sup>**



April 6<sup>th</sup>  
Easter Monday



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**New Programs Coming  
for our Senior Adults!**

*Online class from Great Courses*

*Instructional Painting Classes*

*Craft Classes*

*More details coming in April*