

Order of Worship

Song: #449 Thy Word

Announcements

Song: #103 He Has Made Me Glad

Song: #324 Atlas! and Did My Savior Bleed?

The Lord's Supper

Song: #543 Wonderful Words of Life

Offering

Offering Song: #432 How Shall the Young Secure Their Hearts?

Song: #450 Give Me the Bible

Scripture Reading
Psalm 119:97-104

Sermon
"A Very Good Book"

Song: #915 Trust and Obey

Prayer Requests

Song: #1014 Jesus Loves Me!

Closing Prayer

Please join us for a lite brunch in the fellowship hall immediately after our worship service this morning.

"Are you visiting for the first time today?"

Welcome guest! We're so glad you've come to worship with us this morning. Please help us to get to know you better by filling out the green guest card on the back of the seat in front of you and dropping it in the collection basket. Or, for your convenience, you may scan the QR code and complete the guest card digitally. Thank you for taking the time to attend our service today. We hope to see you again soon!



Scan for Guest Card

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For The Record

Sunday Morning Worship	98	Sunday Morning Bible Study	69
Sunday Afternoon Service	14	Wed. Morning Bible Study	20
Wed. Evening Bible Study	44	Contribution Average 2025	N/A

Schedule Of Services

Sunday Morning Worship—9:30 a.m.	Sunday Bible Class—11:00 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon Service—1:30 p.m.	Wed. Morning Bible Study—10 a.m.
Wednesday Dinner—6:00 p.m.	Wed. Evening Bible Study—7:00 p.m.

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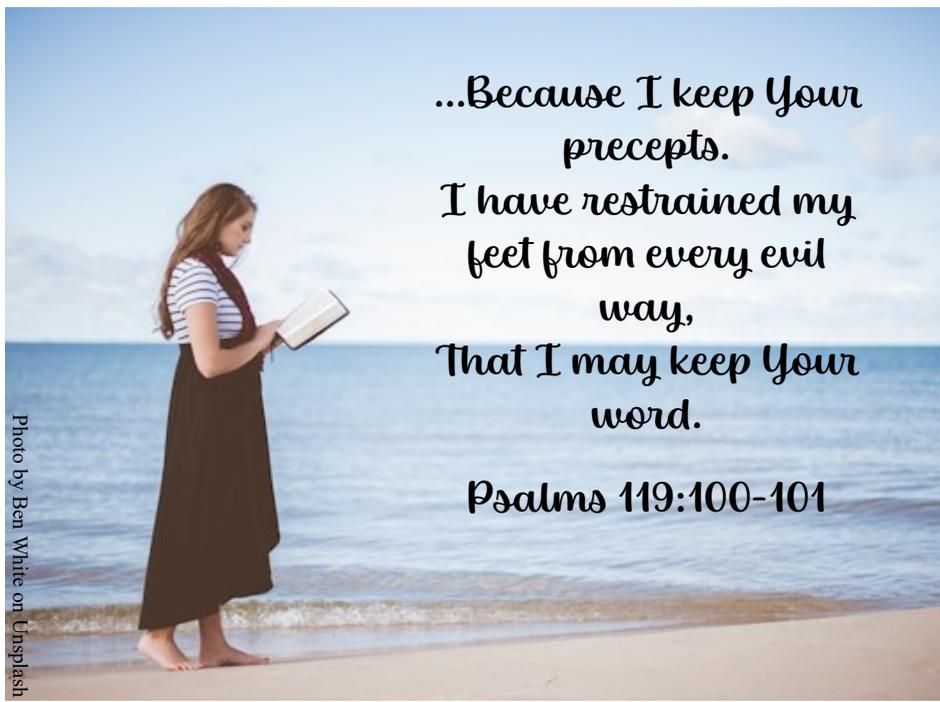


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...Because I keep Your precepts.
I have restrained my feet from every evil way,
That I may keep Your word.

Psalms 119:100-101

We Welcome You!

We are honored that you chose to visit with us today. We hope that you will stay around a few minutes after our service to become better acquainted. We are eager to know you! We hope you will come to see us as we see ourselves, a group of people who desire to live and love like Jesus.

If you seek meaning and purpose in your life, we invite you to come and join us as we study God's word, the Bible, and find the true joy and fulfillment that can only be found in Him. Our doors and hearts are open. So, if you've been thinking, praying, searching, and hoping for a place to belong, we say again—welcome!

From “Kiver to Kiver”

The Bible is a gift from God encompassing His revealed will for Creation, establishing the declaration of salvation from “kiver to kiver” as the lofted Marshall Keeble once declared. Every word is essential in ordering the redemption of mankind from their Savior before the essence of nature could have been revealed. Notice the Apostle Paul states, “while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal” (2 Corinthians 4:18, NKJV).

In this singular regard, mankind must determine to understand God and how He chose to reveal His will, His character, His meaning, and most imperatively, His love toward mankind based on WHAT and HOW it has been revealed. For example, Our Lord reveals some of His desires poetically. “O Lord, do not rebuke me in Your anger, Nor chasten me in Your wrath” (Psalm 6:1). Some religious authorities illustrate this as an example of “parallelism” or “thought rhymes.” In other words, one thought reinforces a previous thought to strengthen the overall ideal.

Additionally, the Bible includes figurative language to further God’s message to mankind. For instance, the psalmist states, “My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge” (Psalm 18:2b). Does this REALLY mean that the God of Heaven is an actual rock? Of course not! It is figurative language. Information designed to assist us in increasing our understanding of His provision to us as our Protector and Safeguard against destruction.

My point is this: the Bible uses poetic writing but is not a poetry book. Also, the Bible uses figurative language but is not a work of fiction. However, many in and out of the Church hold this position. Regardless of the literary method, one thing MUST be understood: God loved us enough to leave us with EVERYTHING we need to escape sin and the wiles of the Devil, which lead to hell (2 Corinthians 11:3). Furthermore, it is incumbent to grasp why the Bible is NOT just a history book either. History influences human wisdom, not God (Colossians 2:8). Collegial references, forums, and academic reflections often confuse us. God demands we prove Him true because we cannot disprove His love by earthly mandate (1 John 4:1). Poetry has its place, symbolic writings benefit us in overall comprehension, and historical references truly enlighten the entirety of salvation.

Why didn’t God use one communicate? Not certain (Deuteronomy 29:29). Here is what is known, “but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name” (John 20:31). From “kiver to kiver”, God gave us what we NEEDED, we should not, and prayerfully will not, continue to believe we are wiser than the author of all salvation (Isiah 55:8-9).

Think on these things,

- Archie R. Green

Church Family News

HTH Newsletter—The latest issue of the House to House Heart to Heart Newsletter is now available on our website (williamsburgcoc.org). Simply click “Blog” in the website header and then click to view.

WCOC Girls Slumber Party—Girls ages 12 to 18 are invited to a Slumber Party at the building on Friday, March 28th at 6 p.m. to Saturday, March 29th at 10:30 a.m. Dinner and breakfast will be served. Parents, please see Gwendolyn Pendergrass for more details.

Celebration of Life—There will be a Celebration of Life Service in memory of Betsy Davis at the building on Saturday, April 5th, at 1:00 pm.

Ladies’ Bible Class—Ladies will meet at the building on Saturday, April 5th, at 10 am for a Bible Study led by Caitlin Bitting. Zoom is available. Please see Angela Boykins for more information.

Cambridge Crossing Outreach—Join us on Saturday, April 5th, at 2 pm as we minister to the residents of the Cambridge Crossing Assisted Living Facility. Please see Chris Gary for more information.

Family Potluck—Please mark your calendars for noon on Sunday, April 6th, and join us for our monthly family potluck. Bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy a delicious lunch and the opportunity to fellowship together

Men’s Bible Study—There will be a Men’s Bible Study at the building on Friday, April 18th at 6 p.m.

WCOC Ladies Day Conference—Ladies, please register online for our Ladies Day Conference on Saturday, April 19th, from 10 am to 2 pm. This year’s topic is “Beyond Baptism” with three guest speakers. Lunch will be provided. Please see Angela Boykin for more information.

Neighborhood Evangelism—All are invited to help reach out to the surrounding neighborhoods on Saturday, April 26th at 11:30 am. Please see Chris Gary for more information.

Happy Birthday

Michelle Hicks 3/1, Brianne Waller 3/2, George Johnson 3/3, Johnny Galloway 3/9, Connie Williamson 3/11, Joe Garcia 3/15, Karen Kinder 3/15, Pat Little 3/17, Stacia Landrom 3/25, Gene Balthaser 3/27, Mikey Rollins 3/27, Lorie Manfre 3/28, Kisa White 3/29, Krystal Gary 3/30

COMPASSION CARDS—GROUP 4

Please drop by room 7A/B to sign compassion cards.

Prayer Request

Immediate Concerns:

- Pat Little** - Will be moving to Charter Senior Living of Williamsburg
- Steve Davis** - grieving
- Margaret Rose** - undergoing chemo
- M.C. Bailey** - health
- Juanita Bailey** - health
- Isaiah Hicks** - cancer
- Cindy Harris** - recovering
- Levi Abbott** - Boston Children’s Hospital

Long Term Concerns:

- Doug Smith** - health
- The Boisseau Family** - health
- Regina Clark** - health
- Lena Stone** - health
- Cheryl Brown** - health
- Abbott Family** - strength & support
- Anthony Ricks** - health

Shut-ins

Regina Clark

Family & Friends:

- Jo Ann Knight** - 90- year-old friend with cancer
- Jim & Cathy Bishops’ nephew** - health
- Burnetta Fears’ friends’ only child, Madison Simone Fleury**, 15 yrs old - cancer
- Angela Boykins & Tina Banks’ sister-Health**
- Eddie Logan** - difficult situation
- Peggy Boarman’s son-in-law, Jim Bristow** - current situation
- Rene Kassing’s grandson, Justin** – cancer
- Our Missionaries - Eric & Rachel** in South Asia and **Greg Cloldfelter** in Kenya.