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All of these methods are secure, are combined into your confidential giving statements, and support God's work at Bonaire Church.

STEWARDSHIP & PRESENCE MARCH 4, 2018

Tithes & Offerings Received:	\$22,392.50
Ministry Budget Received, YTD:	\$115,442.61
Capital Campaign Received:	\$370.00
Capital Campaign Received, YTD:	\$2,169.00
Sunday Worship Attendance Last Week:	381
Sunday School Attendance Last Week:	156

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ONCE UPON A TIME IN FAIR BONAIRE...

Once upon a time, a man knew that the sunny days and warming temperatures would combine to stimulate new growth across his yards: good grass and bad weeds. So, he enlisted the help of his teenager to cut the grass. *Until...* the lawn-mower would not start because the battery was dead. So, he took it down to Franklins and they kindly told him it needed to be replaced. Back at the house, with new battery installed, he was ready to get started. *Until...* the mower would not start because one of the safety switches showed that an electrical connection was not correct. So, the man called the on-site repairman, who arrived the next day. He found that a wire inside the mower had been chewed through, by an innocent local critter, and a simple twist here and the mower started right up and was ready to roll. *Until...* the first lap across the yard revealed that a front tire was flat because of a gash in the tread that had put a hole in the tube. So, the man called four stores in town and finally found one that carried the tire to fit this mower. Finally, the mower was ready to roll and the man was so excited to make his yard better. Everything was right, *until* the rain clouds returned. He would try again tomorrow.

My Dad, who for over three decades taught nursing and then aspiring doctors the rigorous upper-level courses of anatomy and physiology, spoke often of the need for perseverance in the toughest tasks my brother and I would face. The Apostle Paul wrote to the Romans, "More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope (5:3-4)." That is good stuff. I, also, love what C.S. Lewis said about perseverance:

God knows our situation; He will not judge us as if we had no difficulties to overcome. What matters is the sincerity and perseverance of our will to overcome them. We all want progress, but if you're on the wrong road, progress means doing an about-turn and walking back to the right road; in that case, the man who turns back soonest is the most progressive. What saves a man is to take a step. Then another step.

Lent is a season of returning to the perseverance required of submitting and trusting. Grace and peace, Scott

FRIENDS SUNDAY NEXT WEEK

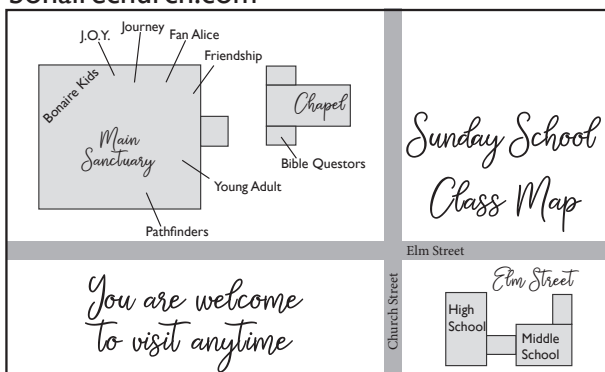
People you can count on. There when you need them. Reliable and trusting. Present on our best days - and all of our days. Friendship is worth celebrating. Invite your friends to join us next Sunday, March 18 for photo-ops and great give-away drawings. It will be fun. Use the invite card in your bulletin to get them here for a special morning of worship.



you are
WELCOME
here

At Bonaire, we believe that God's call on our lives is to continue on the path of following Jesus through learning God's truths, submission to God's will, and engaging in the practices that grow our minds, hearts, and spirit. Seek out our pastor, anyone on our staff, or one of our leaders and allow what God is doing in your life to continue: pray together, ask questions, or find out who might be able to help. Beyond the hour of worship, we believe God is leading every person to connect through study, fellowship, and service. We offer opportunities to do those very things through Sunday School classes, Bible studies, one-on-one discipleship, table groups and small groups, retreats and other seasonal offerings. There is plenty to do, but no pressure to do all of it.

We would love to hear from you! Contact us if we can help get you involved in any ministry opportunities at (478) 923-7317 or info@bonairechurch.com



BONAIRE IN PRAYER

Our altar is always open for prayer at the end of worship; come forward as God leads you. Our prayer team is available during the closing song or afterwards to join in prayer for you or for someone else. If you would like to become a member of this family of faith, speak with the minister or any church leader about joining.

BRIDAL SHOWER

Ladies are invited to a bridal shower for Hanna Causey, bride-elect of Matthew Hvizdzak, today, Sunday, March 11 at 2:00 PM. She is registered at Kohl's, Belk, Amazon and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

LENT OFFERING

30% of Methodist churches in Puerto Rico suffered damage from Irma and Maria with 10% closed for safety reasons. Our Offering for Lent will benefit one of those churches. Please consider putting aside money each day from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday as you pray for Puerto Rico and other needs throughout the world.

MIDWEEK AT BONAIRE

Join us at our MidWeek events - a great time of food and fellowship. We offer different age groups a place where you can connect and grow in faith and build relationships with other people. Check the back of your Connection Card to learn more or to sign up. The **Menu for March 14** is Taco Salad, Ice Cream Sandwich Cake and Drink.

WELCOME VISITORS

We are so glad and humbled that you've joined us today! Please fill out a connection card so we can get to know you, and stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a special gift we have for you.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Join us in Choir - During Lent, the choirs will combine on Wednesdays at 6:40 PM to work on music for Holy Week. See you on Wednesdays in the choir room. Chapel Choir starts at 5:50 PM, Combined Choirs at 6:45 PM and the Sanctuary Choir at 7:15 PM.

IN MEMORY/HONOR

Robert and Earline Cole with Linda Carter gave to the Chapel fund in memory of Pat Heuberger.
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The Educational Social Committee of Austin Peay State University gave to the Chapel fund in memory of Edith McConnell.

CHURCH WORK DAY

A church "**Spring Cleaning**" workday will be held on Saturday, March 17, 2018 from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM. We will meet at the Elm Street Fellowship Hall and work on both indoor and outdoor projects. Come out and help "spruce up" our church and share in some good fun and fellowship.

KIDS & FAMILIES

Today's Question in Kids Ministry: "Do you have the strength to walk away?" This Sunday we are digging into Genesis 26 where we find Abraham's son, Isaac, settles in his father's land and reopens some wells. When his new neighbors argue with him, he simply moves to a new place and begins to dig new wells. Isaac had every right to fight for those wells, but he chose peace instead. Our bottom line for this week is : Prove you care more about others by walking away from a fight. Sometimes creating peace with someone means walking away even if we're not wrong.

March Events for BUMC Kids:

March 18 - Friends Day at BUMC Kids
March 25 - Palm Sunday our Kids Choir will perform at the 11:00 service. contact jessi@bonairechurch.com for more information.

STUDENTS

Youth on Sundays - Tonight we will have a Progressive Dinner. Drop off at 5:30 PM and pick up at 7:30 PM will be at Elm Street. Mystery Spring Retreat will be April 6-8 and is \$100. Sign-up and a \$50.00 deposit will be due by March 18. Please email charity@bonairechurch.com with any questions.
Confirmation Class happens on Wednesdays following supper from 6-7:15 PM. Everyone else meets in the Youth Room at the same time.

-serving in **MISSIONS**

FOOD PANTRY GARDEN

We are looking for volunteers to help with the Food Pantry Garden. We will have a Spring planning meeting on Wed., March 7th at 6:15 PM in the Pathfinder classroom. Any questions can be directed to Rob and Linda Bailey; 478-960-2061 or scbailey@cox.net.

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Canned Food - Meat, fruit, soup;
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Hygiene Items - Baby wipes, soap, deodorant;
Clothing - new packages of undergarments and socks are always needed. The Clothes Closet is now accepting donations of clothing items. Summer clothes are preferred, but winter clothes will be accepted. Open on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of every month from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Join us.

SUPPORT

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Join us Tuesdays, 6:00-8:00 PM. Call the church office or visit www.griefshare.org.

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Helping in Houston (Texas that is). The Mission Committee is putting together a team of adults to head to Houston, TX to help in the post hurricane rebuilding effort. We are planning a 7 day trip in June, working in conjunction with heartfortexas.org. We will be providing help in cleanup and construction. If you are interested in joining the team, please send your name, phone #, and email address to Rob and Linda Bailey at scbailey@cox.net. We will schedule a meeting of all interested pilgrims in March.

LOADS OF LOVE

Who are the people we serve? Those whose washer or dryer is broken, or who have no machines or soap, or who have no running water. Regardless, they all are very grateful and they are the ones who bless the volunteers. Come wash, fold, sing or play! Mark your Connection Card for more information. Join us on March 9 from 5:00 - 8:00 PM.

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Deployed Military (Share names with us as you are aware of them)

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