### Order of Worship

Song: #718 We Shall Assemble

Announcements

Call to Worship

Song: #144 O Worship the King

Song:# #383 Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

The Lord's Supper

Song: #763 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Offering

Offering Song: #590 Jesus Is All the World to Me

Song: #524 | Know Whom | Have Believed

> Scripture Reading I John 2:1-6

Sermon "Knowing the Lord"

Song: #679 Tis So Sweet to Trust In lesus

**Response to Prayer Requests** 

Song: #794 Unto Thee, O Lord

**Closing Prayer** 

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

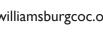
## Join Us Again on Sunday & Wednesday Evenings

Grow in the love of God and His truth with us on Sunday and Wednesday evenings.

Sunday Evening Sermon: "A Study of Proverbs" with Archie R. Green

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: "Paul's Missionary Journeys and Churches He Established" with Jerry Fields

You may access Sunday Bible Class, Sunday Evening Worship Service, and Wednesday Evening Bible Study on Zoom through our website.



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### For The Record

Sunday Morning Worship 103 Sunday Evening Worship 26 56 Wed. Evening Bible Study

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### Schedule Of Services

Sunday Morning Worship—9:30 a.m. Sun. Evening Worship—6:30 p.m. Wednesday Dinner-6:00 p.m.

Sunday Bible Class—11:00 a.m. Wed. Morning Bible Study—10 a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study-7:00 p.m. Williamsburg Church of Christ 227 Merrimac Trail, Williamsburg, VA 23185

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Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.

1 John 2:3



# 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 lesus.

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!

# "How Do WE KNOW That We Are in Christ?"

There is no place more important for one to be than "in Christ"! Only "in Christ" does one have access to "all spiritual blessings" (Eph. 1:3), "the forgiveness of sins" (Eph. 1:7), "an inheritance" (Eph. 1:11), a life with "no condemnation" (Rom. 8:1), "all the promises of God" (2 Cor. 1:20), and "eternal life" (1 John 5:11). The "salvation" that each person so desperately needs can only be found "in Christ Jesus" (2 Tim. 2:10).

The New Testament plainly teaches that there is only one means of entering into Christ. Paul affirms in Romans 6:3, "Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?" The same is confirmed in Galatians 3:27, "For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ." These are the only two verses in the New Testament which teach how one enters into Christ. Since salvation is in Christ, it should not surprise us that the Bible also makes it clear that one is baptized in order to be saved (Mark 16:16;Acts 2:38; 22:16).

It is obvious how one gets "into Christ," but how can we know, from that day forward, that we are still in Christ? The Bible warns us about "falling." "Take heed lest he fall" (1 Cor. 10:12), "fallen from grace" (Gal. 5:4), "again entangled... and overcome" (2 Pet. 2:19-22). But, God has not left us to wonder. He has not thrown us into a world of despair or uncertainty regarding our relationship with Christ. We can know!

"Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, 'I know Him,' and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him" (I John 2:3-5).

Read that again. John says that we can know that we know Him! John says that we can know that we are in Him! How can I have that confidence? These three verses shout it three times — "keep His commandments!"

There is more to keeping the commandments of the Lord than just thinking that we are keeping them! (Read Matthew 7:21-23.) There is more to keeping the commandments of the Lord than just saying that we are keeping them! (Read Mark 7:1-23.) We have been "created in Christ Jesus for good works" (Eph. 2:10), thus let us "keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight" (I John 3:22). When obedience to the commandments of the Lord is our life's aim, we know that we are in Christ!

- David Sproule

# **Church Family New**

**Craft Day**—Please bring your lunch and a crafting project at noon on Monday, March 25th, and meet in the fellowship room for crafting, fun, and fellowship. See Pat Little for more information.

**Ladies' Bible Class**—Ladies' Bible Class will meet in the fellowship room on Saturday, March 30th, at 10 am. Contact Sabrina Logan for more information.

**Egg Hunt**—On March 31st, following Bible classes, there will be an egg hunt for all children through 5th grade. Please place your donations of prefilled plastic eggs in the decorated box in the fellowship room. See Sabrina Logan for info.

**Men's Leadership Training**—All men are encouraged to attend a morning of training and development on Saturday, April 6th from 9-11:30 am. Please Jim Bishop for more information.

**Neighborhood Evangelism**—Help us reach the surrounding neighborhoods on Saturday, April 6th at 11:30 am. All are invited to meet at the building and join this effort. See Chris Gary for more information.

**Congregational Meeting**—A congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, April 7th, following the morning worship service.

**Monthly Family Potluck**—Bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy good food and fellowship at our Family Potluck on Sunday, April 7th, following Bible classes.

**Young at Heart Event**—Enjoy lunch at YROC Coastal Bar and Grille, 8109 Yacht Haven Rd, Gloucester Point, VA, on April 11th at 11:30 am, followed by a tour of Brent & Becky's Tulip Garden. Those wishing to carpool should meet at the church parking lot at 10:30 am. A sign-up sheet is posted on the fellowship room bulletin board. Please contact Miley Walker with questions.

### Happy Birthday

Michelle Hicks 3/1, Brianne Waller 3/2, George Johnson 3/3, Becky Lech 3/4, Johnny Galloway 3/9, Connie Williamson 3/11, Hagar Harmon 3/12, Adassa Duncan 3/14, Joe Garcia 3/15, Karen Kinder 3/15, Lynn Cummings 3/15, Pat Little 3/17, James Hartley 3/23, Stacia Landrom 3/25, Gene Balthaser 3/27, Mikey Rollins 3/27, Kisa White 3/29, Krystal Gary 3/30

#### Wedding Anniversaries

T.J. & Brittany Waller 3/3, Ronald and Cheryl Brown 3/8, Joe & Angela Garcia 3/12

## <u>Prayer Request</u>

#### **Immediate Concerns:**

Steve Davis - recovering from surgery Connie Williamson - recovering from surgery Peggy Boarman - health Jennifer Christol - health Jenna Tiefenback - health Jerry Munn - health issues Catalina Laverde - finances Levi Abbott - health Anthony Ricks - undergoing treatment Ken Moran - health K.P. Pressey - health

Long Term Concerns:

The Boisseau Family - health M.C. & Juanita Bailey - health Lena Stone - health Margaret Rose - health Regina Clark - MS India Johnson - health Cheryl Brown - health Abbott Family

Shut-ins

Regina Clark Adassa Duncan

#### Family & Friends:

Linda & Shawn Butterfield - health Lena Stone & Connie Williamson's brother, Wally - health Joyce & Bobbie Logan - health The Landrom's friend, Sharon Mackert - health Cara Patrick's brother, Celsus Patrick & father - health Kay Himes' friend, Sigrid Polson-Randolph – health Peggy Boarman's son-in-law, Jim Bristow - current situation