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#### **ALREADY...BUT NOT YET!!**

If you have ever been on an airplane and the pilot comes on the intercom to inform the passengers that they are going to have to sustain a holding pattern, you know how the tension in the cabin rachets up. You are, in a sense, already at your destination, but you are not yet fully there. When you do finally land, there is a collective seatbelt "unclicking" and a sigh of relief. You have landed.

Landing is a relief, whether it is landing an aircraft, or landing a job, or landing on our feet after a personal crisis. We need to land to feel...well...grounded.

Every person who has been around church long enough knows that *Advent* means *coming*. Walter Brueggemann in his Advent devotional writes,

"Advent is preparation for the demands of newness that will break the tired patterns of fear in our lives." Tired of holding patterns of fear — political upheaval, wildfires, sex scandals, wild stock market swings, almost weekly mass shootings— we are kept us off balance. I wonder, what it would feel like as a culture, to feel grounded? What is the newness we are waiting for that allows us to finally feel safe and secure and ready to move on?

Jesus became human to show forth God – born into a time and place full of fear of the Roman occupation. People in Jesus' day were tired of the patterns of fear and so they followed this one who preached and taught and lived a newness of life all the way to his death... and fulfilled it by his resurrection.

Like them, we can only break out of the holding pattern of fear because Jesus breaks the pattern and invites us to follow his way into newness of life. His first coming is for a people who sat in darkness and have now seen his light, a light that illumines us and the world around us so we may not fear that which is in us or around us. And though the mountains move, though the earth shakes in the heart of the sea, though nation rises up against nation, we shall not fear. His second coming will unveil this still hidden newness and reveal that, although the world operates as if nature or humanity control our destiny, that, in fact, it was and is

God all the time.

We are already living in this reality, but we are yet to know it fully revealed in or around us. When we believe this good news gradually the fear begins to fade away. We gain confidence that we will land on our feet because it is Christ who assures a safe arrival home.

So, as the old year fades we can let go of the fears that hold us and live into the light of Christ that grows in us and in the world. I pray this for my life and I pray this for you.

Peace, Patrick





#### THE SEASON OF ADVENT



#### **ADVENT**

Celebrating Abundance. This time of year, this can seem like an oxymoron, right? The calendar rolls around to December and we start thinking about gifts to share, parties to attend, the year to wrap up, and the abundance seems to slip away. There is just not enough to go around. The budget is strapped, our time is over programmed and, instead of feeling joyful, we feel burdened and weary. This is not the Advent the church calls us to.

Advent means coming.
Advent means hopeful waiting.
Advent means joy in the face of fear.

Advent means the beginning of a new year, not the ending of something.

This Advent season, you are challenged to join Tuckahoe in being Advent people and to celebrate the abundance in front of us revealed to us as the abundance of God's love for all Creation!

Join your church family in the reading of Walter Brueggemann's book "Celebrating Abundance."

There are daily devotionals to help us see this Advent Season through new eyes and rejoice in the gift of a baby born in a stable.

Devotionals can be picked up in the Resource Center now. The books are free to all!

Come celebrate with us!

#### **ADVENT IN A BAG**

If you are looking for resources to help your family (or yourself) observe Advent at home, pick up your "Advent in a Bag." Inside you will find a devotional guide for each week, questions to ponder, crafts you can make, pages to color as you think and pray, and glow sticks to remind us that the light always turns back the dark.

The bags will be available at the Advent Workshop on

Sunday, December 2nd, following worship. We hope this is a useful resource to incorporate into your holiday!

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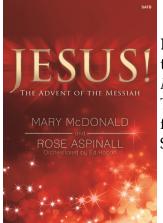
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#### OTHER WAYS TO REMEMBER ADVENT TOGETHER

**December 2–** There will be an Advent Workshop for all ages during the fellowship hour. We will have wreaths, crafts, cookies, a time to write notes to those of our church family who are homebound, and lots of fellowship. All ages are invited to stay and start our Advent journey together.

**December 8** - *A Hanover Christmas*- Plan for your family to enjoy a journey through the nativity story. More than "just another live nativity," you will experience musical performances, dramatic re-enactments and fellowship with others while leisurely strolling a candlelit wooded path at Camp Hanover. If you have never participated in this evening journey, it is a wonderful event to add to your Advent Season.





**December 16-** Cantata and Cookies! Come hear our amazing choir as they gift us with a Christmas Cantata, "Jesus! The Advent of the Messiah" during our 11:00 a.m. worship.

Then experience the baking delights of your church family as we enjoy our annual "Cookie Sunday".



#### Sunday, December 23

Our 11:00 a.m. service will be the Children's Christmas service. Join us for this wonder -filled time and a birthday party for Jesus afterward!

Monday, December 24 We will have two Christmas Eve services: 7:30 p.m. a Service of Candlelight and Communion 11:00 p.m. a Contemplative Service

### CHRISTIAN FORMATION



#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Advent is here, which means so is Christmas!
The children's Christmas Pageant will be on
Sunday morning, December 23 during the 11:00 am
worship service. We hope you will all be
able to join us!

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Sunday, December 16 Pageant rehearsal during Sunday school (location

TBA)

Thursday, December 20 Pageant rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary

Sunday, December 23 11:00 am Family Service with Pageant

[We will rehearse during Sunday School]

Sunday, December 30 No children's Sunday School.

Questions? Contact Sarah Dennis at 804-282-2860 or sdennis@tuckahoepres.org

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHOOL

<u>2 AND 3 YEAR OLD'S</u> — This year the littlest of our church school attenders will be learning about how loving God is a fun adventure. Through the Spark! curriculum these toddlers will hear Bible stories, sing, craft and play while gaining a better understanding that they are loved children of God. We hope your child will join us!

4 YEAR OLD - 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE - Children's Sunday School will connect with each other and God through Kid Connection a wonderful curriculum designed to help children grow in their faith. This year all children will gather together for a large group time where they will play a game, hear the Bible story and sing songs. After this time, they will journey back to their age group rooms for snack, crafts and reinforcement of the Bible Lesson.



### CHRISTIAN FORMATION

#### CHURCH SCHOOL

There is a place for you at TPC on Sunday mornings. If you have not tried a Sunday School class, please come and join any class at any time!

#### Adults offerings include:

- 1) The New Covenant Class, Room 106
- 2) The Forum Class, Room 108
- 3) The Discovery Class, Room 200
- 4) It's Greek to Me!, Duntreath Hall

Led by Patrick Dennis, Sarah Dennis, and

Linda Kurtz. There are a lot of words we use in church that we don't hear anywhere else. But what do they mean? Join us twice a month as we learn the original understanding of these words as well as how we can understand them in our current age and context.

December 9	Theotokos	December 16	Incarnation
January 13	Charismata	January 27	Logos
February 10	Sanctification	February 24	Atonement



#### **BIBLE STUDIES**

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group: On Tuesday mornings we come together to join our hearts in prayer for our church and our community. This season of Advent we are reading and discussing the Advent devotional as a way to direct our hearts and minds in prayer. All are invited Tuesdays at 9:30 am in the church parlor.

<u>Theology on Tap:</u> Come join us on December 17 and January 21 at 6:00 p.m. Each month we take a look at a current news headline and strive to understand how we, as Christians, can react faithfully and lovingly. We hope you will join us for great conversations and great drinks! This month we will be at PBR, Pizza and Beer, Richmond located at 2553 West Cary Street.

Men's Bible Study: This Bible study meets weekly at noon every Monday in Room 108. Come join us, bring your lunch, and start your week refreshed and focused. Any and all are welcome to join us!

<u>Women's Study Group:</u> The Women's Study Group is studying <u>What Matters Most,</u> <u>A Study of Philippians.</u> We are always looking for new members to share in the fun, fellowship and study. We meet on the first Monday of each month, October thru May at the home of Ruth Anna Langdon. Just contact Meg Packard when you see her at church or call her at 754-0602 to get a copy of the book.. The book is \$13.



#### ANGEL TREE PROJECT

Tuckahoe has sponsored the Ministry of Prison Fellowship's "Angel Tree" project for many years. To continue our participation, this year we are sponsoring 25 children who will each receive two gifts each (one toy and one clothing item). This project is A Program of Prison Fellowship important because it helps incarcerated men and women stay connected to their children during the holiday

season by allowing them to provide Christmas presents to them. These presents are a tangible reminder that their parent loves them even though they can't be with them for Christmas.

We need your help in purchasing and wrapping gifts (approximately \$20-\$25 each). You can choose to purchase one or more gifts.

Please note that the items have been specifically chosen by the parent, so rest assured they'll be appropriate and appreciated. We also need assistance with delivering the gifts to the children the week before Christmas.

The Angel Tree will be in the Fellowship Hall on November 25th and December 2nd. Please pick your angel(s) from the tree and return your gift(s) no later than December 9th. Be sure to write down your information to let us know which gift you're sponsoring.

Please contact Melissa Mascher at 804-814-4633 or at MelissaMascher@gmail.com with any questions or to sign-up to help.



HEARTH (formerly ISH) was established over 30 years ago as a program run by Henrico Social Services in collaboration with area church and civic groups. Our congregation has generously supported their efforts through the years. During the past several years, HEARTH has experienced a significant decline in contributions. However, the number of people needing assistance continues to grow.

As we celebrate this holiday season, please prayerfully consider supporting this worthwhile organization. 100% of your donations goes directly to those in need in Henrico County. The Outreach Committee contributes to Hearth of Henrico rather than having people walk into the office off the street and ask for help with housing, utility bills, food, etc. This has proven to be much safer for the office staff and also provides vetting of the recipients.

If you would like to make a donation to Hearth of Henrico, you may make your check to Tuckahoe and designate "Hearth of Henrico" in the memo line.



#### A LAMB'S BASKET UPDATE AND THANK YOU

Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church and our generous members, along with the other numerous supporting churches, are an important part of the Lamb's Basket Mission in supplying food to our community and less fortunate neighbors. The Henrico residents that meet the criteria are allowed to shop at Lamb's Basket no more than twice a month, may not in any other way

receive the nutrition and care that they so desperately need and qualify for. Monthly donations from all supporting churches (and other non-profit organizations) range from approximately 4,500 to 12,000 pounds of non-perishable food items. Coupled with donations from public partners, such as Trader Joes, Aldi's, Walmart, Publix and Costco, Lamb's Basket provides nutritional and quality food, including meats and fresh fruits and vegetables to about 1,500 to 1,800 clients per year.

#### SO, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!

Remember too, as we enter and complete the Holiday Season, as well as the cold winter months, Lamb's Basket clients have three important things to spend their available monetary resources on—heat, medicines/medical expenses and food.

Your donations truly help with the third choice! And, if you want to think about volunteering at Lamb's Basket, please talk to Fred Bower, Marlene Austin or Robins Buck. Food donations, volunteers and clients are what makes Lamb's Basket such an important Community Ministry.

Finally, stay tuned for the "Link" to the Lamb's Basket Quarterly Newsletter "The Wooly News", beginning in December and continuing once or more a quarter after that in 2019, via the Friday, "What's Happening at Tuckahoe" e-mail. You can always visit their web site at <a href="www.lambsbasket.org">www.lambsbasket.org</a> to learn more.

TUCKAHOE'S LAMB'S BASKET FOOD COLLECTION FOR OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER WAS 132 LBS. REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR NON-PERISHABLE DONATIONS TO THE RESOURCE CENTER ON THE 2ND SUNDAY EACH MONTH!

#### THANKSGIVING BOX THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who contributed to HEARTH's

Thanksgiving Box program this year. Tuckahoe
contributed 18 boxes. It is heart-warming to know that
you have directly impacted so many of our neighbors in
Henrico county during this holiday season!
Thanks again for your support and a special thanks to
our delivery team!



#### YOUTH MINISTRIES



What a wonderful group of young people we have at Tuckahoe! So many of them come on Sunday evenings to learn, grow and have fun together. This fall has brought service opportunities, adventures to "escape" from, and chances for learning and growing together. Our winter/spring is shaping up to be full of amazing opportunities as well. Come join us Sunday nights!

#### **UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS!!**

Sunday, December 2	4:45 p.m.	Serve dinner at Doorways	
Sunday, December 9	5:30 p.m.	Faith Questions	
Sunday, December 16	5:00 p.m.	Join Ginter Park Pres youth, share dinner and a gift exchange and listen to a concert	
Sunday, December 23		No Youth Group	
Sunday, December 30		No Youth Group	
Sunday, January 6	5:30 p.m.	It's Game Night!	
Sunday, January 13	5:30 p.m.	Faith Questions: Money	
Sunday, January 20	12:30 p.m.	Skateland – we will leave right after church	
Sunday, January 27	5:30 p.m.	More fun and games!	

#### YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Friday, February 15 – Sunday, February 17

We will be heading to Raleigh, NC for a weekend of mission work and FUN! The cost of the trip is \$160/person.

(We have some scholarship money available if needed- please let Sarah know.)

The deadline to register: December 17th!
Please contact Sarah Dennis, <u>sdennis@tuckahoepres.org</u>,
with any questions you might have.



#### FOOD & FELLOWSHIP



# WEDNESDAY NIGHTS DECEMBER AND JANUARY

Join us for our mid-week meals and programming in December and January. Each week different programs are offered ranging from faith-based

Discussions, to entertainment and games, to music, or outreach opportunities. In December, two of our programs will deal with "Transitions". How do we faithfully deal with the bumps along the road of life?

Changes come in many forms—job changes or losses, children growing up, new Babies, illness, moving to a care-giver role, or death of a loved one. As we transition into change our footing is sometimes lost and we feel as if we are floundering. Where is God in the midst of these changes? And how can we faithfully respond as we navigate unknown territory? Come...be a part of the conversation!

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MENU</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	
December 5	Cooking Team 4 will prepare stuffed shells, baked Vidalia onions, salad, bread and dessert	Transitions, Part 1 - How do we faithfully deal with the bumps in the road of life? [See the further explanation above.]	
December 12	Cooking Team 2 will treat us to a dinner of fettuccini alfredo (with or without chicken), salad, breads and dessert	Sleepy Hollow Bluegrass Band will perform some of your favorite Christmas songs bluegrass style!	
December 19	Pot Luck – Bring your favorite dish. Enough for your family and some to share!	Transitions, Part 2	
January 9	Cooking Team 4 brings Philly cheese steak or chicken subs, fries and desserts to the table!	Our Annual White Elephant Gift Exchange!	

### SIGN UP TO GIVE FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

The beauty of God's creation is mirrored in the gorgeous flower arrangements that grace our Chancel each Sunday morning at worship. You can contribute to this important part of the worship experience by donating flowers on any Sunday. This gesture can be in memory of loved ones, in honor of someone



special in your life or simply to the Glory of God. There is a Flower **Flowers This Week**Calendar for 2019 on the bulletin board outside the church office.

Please feel free to call the church office at 282-2860 if you have any questions about donating flowers.

#### LIBRARY NEWS

The Church Library is open to all! It is small but it has a variety of books for all ages.

The boys and girls, ages 2—3rd grade come on Sundays for story-time and are able to check out a book to take home. So, come by and "check it out". If there is a book you are interested in, borrow it and just set it on the table inside the entrance door when returned.

Happy Reading!

Kaye Keyes



## A NOTE FROM THE CHURCH TREASURER

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! At the end of October 2018 members of our congregation and guests have given \$418,253.61 in contributions toward the annual operating budget figure of \$534,000 (78.32%). It is our hope that we will be able to meet the budgeted contribution figure by the end of the fiscal year (12/31/18).

Additionally, Tuckahoe has received \$1,701.61 in loose offering and \$1,438.63 for the CentsAbility program. Sixty percent of the CentsAbility contributions are forwarded to the Presbytery of the James for use in their hunger program in Central Virginia and Haiti. The remainder of the contributions underwrites the costs associated with our lunch program for Liberation Family Services. Finally, our church received \$565 for the Peace/Global Witness Offering.

On behalf of the Stewardship & Finance Committee and other session committees, I would like to express our gratitude for your continued generosity.

Richard A. Mateer, Church Treasurer



#### WE GIVE THANKS FOR YOU!

The ministry we share is made excellent by those of you who dutifully volunteer your time and talents. Much of what you do is behind the scenes, undergirding all of the ministry both within and beyond our walls. For all of you who give of your talents for God's work, who commit countless volunteer hours year after year to support our ministry and further our

mission "Called by God to be the heart, voice, hands and feet of Christ where the Spirit leads us", we say a big THANK YOU! May you experience the fullness of joy that comes through your giving not only in this Christmas Season but in the year to come as you continue to faithfully serve Jesus Christ through the ministry of Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church.

Yours Gratefully,

*The TPC Staff* 



#### Julia Adair writes:

The Adair family wants to thank our loving church family for the prayers and support this past month. We are so grateful for the wonderful members of Tuckahoe who helped us in this difficult time. Even while out of town, I felt your love. Thank you so very much.

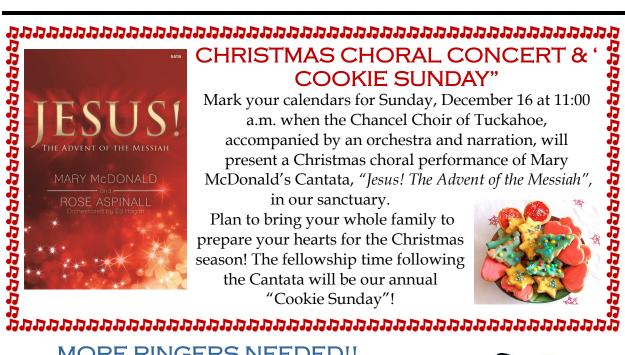


#### SIGN UP TO HOST AFTER WORSHIP FELLOWSHIP

Look for the new 2019 Calendar on the wall in the hallway between the Narthex and Duntreath to sign up to host our Sunday Fellowship Time. Grab some friends, your Sunday School class, book group, committee members, or family, and sign up to host our traditional fellowship time after worship. It's easy...you can keep it simple or make it as fancy as you like. There are instructions on what to do on our web site under the tab "News and Resources".



Fellowship Time



#### MORE RINGERS NEEDED!!

The KMD Bells [the children's bell group] and the Adult Bells are looking for more bell ringers to join us in the new year.

The kids practice at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, and the adults practice at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. We meet in the bell room behind the sanctuary. Please consider joining us for fun and musical fellowship! Contact Mark Cain or Sarah Cothern to let them know you are interested in joining us!





#### HOLBROOK ELECTED INTERIM GENERAL PRESBYTER/STATED CLERK

At the October 20 stated meeting, the Presbytery of the James voted to approve Rev. Fred Holbrook as the interim general presbyter/stated clerk to succeed Rev. Carson Rhyne. Holbrook will begin a 12-month renewable call on December 1. Holbrook has been a minister of Word and Sacrament for 35 years. During this time, he has served as pastor, head of staff, interim pastor,

and associate pastor to churches in Virginia, North Carolina, and Kansas. His most recent ministry was as interim pastor to Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church in Overland Park, Kansas. From 2002 to 2014, Holbrook was executive director of Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center. Holbrook has a strong grasp of polity and parliamentary procedure which has enabled him to support churches, moderators, stated clerks, and presbyters at mid-council levels. Holbrook was awarded a Doctor of Ministry degree from Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond. He is married to Laura, a Christian educator, with whom he has three adult children and two grandchildren. Learn more about Fred and read his statement of faith at presbyteryofthejames.com/holbrook.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

The church office will be closed Monday, December 24 – Tuesday, January 1. Office hours will resume on Tuesday, January 2, 2019.

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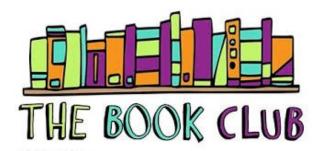


#### **GRANDBABY NEWS!**

Congratulations to Hal and Susan Breitenberg on the birth of their granddaughter! Esther Jean Hochstetler, daughter of Leah and Gabriel Hochstetler, was born on November 2nd.

#### SOUND SYSTEM **OPERATORS NEEDED!**

**ANYONE** interested in learning how to operate our simplified sound system for I worship services is invited to meet with I Tom Adair and Patrick Dennis after worship on Sundays, January 20th & 27th. Please indicate your interest by emailing Tom at tjadair2637@gmail.com.



#### TPC BOOK CLUB 2019

Avid reader? Please join our Tuckahoe Book Club throughout the year for a chance to gather and discuss this year's book selections. All are welcome! We meet on the last Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in various members' homes. \*Note the date change in May for Memorial Day.

<u>DATE</u>	BOOK/AUTHOR	<u>REVIEWER</u>	<u>HOSTESS</u>
1/28	<u>Winter Garden</u> By Kristin Hannah	Terry Brady	Gail Miller
2/25	<u>A Woman in the Window</u> By A. J. Finn	Dee Daughtrey	Becky/Emily Theuer
3/25	<u>Guests on Earth</u> By Lee Smith	Ruth Anna Langdon	Mickey Mateer
4/29	<u>Ship of Brides</u> By Jojo Moyes	Jackie Meyers	Pat Miller
5/20*	<u>The Ninth Hour</u> By Alice McDermott	Byrd Latham	Kaye Keyes
9/30	<u>Pachinko</u> By Min Jin Lee	Camellia Wroniewicz	Gena Wallace

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND RAISER COMING IN MARCH!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for our **TPC Scholarship Annual Monte Carlo Night; Saturday March 30, 2019** 

at Hardywood Brewery/Richmond location. There will be games, horseracing, prizes and much more! Plan to bring friends and family; it will be lots of fun at a wonderful location!! Need more details?

Contact Leslie Shimer (804-301-4716)





## UPDATES FROM WARINNER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Here are updates from Owen Ayers and Claire Galvin on their school year. (In the last Torch issue we heard from Corinne Burch and Laura Anderson). These young people have interesting and busy lives. I am proud to say they are our scholarship recipients, and you should be too! Thank you, Tuckahoe, for your continued support of scholarships for our youth. Leslie Shimer

Though it is hard to believe that senior year has arrived, I am already almost halfway through it. I am enjoying courses on topics such as the philosophy of consciousness, pediatric disease, and the nineteenth century French novel. I am also an undergraduate representative to the faculty of Comparative Literature, the department from which I will earn a degree this spring with a minor in Cognitive Science.

This past summer, I worked in pediatric neurosurgery in Washington, D.C., and this coming spring, I will be applying to medical school. During the year I will have between Princeton and medical school, I am considering opportunities as different as British academic fellowships, American Master's programs, Princeton fellowships in public service, and jobs in medical research.

Though my tenure as a Warinner Scholar is soon coming to a close, I remain grateful for the opportunities that Tuckahoe's support has helped to make available to me, and I look forward to continued participation in the life of the church.

Best, Owen Ayers (senior at Princeton)

Right now, I'm close to finishing up my first semester of my Junior year. I remember writing in my last update that I was planning on majoring in sociology and minoring in environmental policy, however I actually decided to double major in both! I'm really enjoying the classes I'm taking (my current favorite is criminology) and am looking forward to completing my majors in the coming semesters.

Outside of classes, I'm still involved in my sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta, and I'm serving as the Vice President of Administration on William and Mary's Panhellenic Council Executive Board. I've enjoyed this position so much that I decided to apply for another position on the Executive Board – the Vice President of Recruitment – which I will start next semester. In addition to all of that, I also work at Ulta Beauty in Williamsburg. I only have about a month left of the semester and then I'll be home for Christmas!

Claire Galvin (junior at William and Mary)



#### GIVING THANKS FOR FAITHFUL SERVICE

This year marks a transition in our staff and I am thankful for those who have served faithfully. As we informed you this fall, two staff members retire at the end of 2018.

**Ginger Spence**, after six years of service, will be retiring as our Director of Visitation. Her compassionate work and creative vision for the pastoral care ministry has been a blessing to our entire congregation.

**Mary McGee**, after over seven years of service, will be retiring as the Office Administrator. Mary has been instrumental in ensuring smooth operation of the church. She will be assuming the part-time, position of Financial Administrator in January.

As a reminder, this new position of Financial Administrator will manage the finances of the church under the guidance and direction of the church leadership and in coordination with the Stewardship and Finance Committee, Church Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer.

Please join me in thanking them for their faithful service and praising God from whom all blessings flow!



#### WELCOME CORI WILLIAMS

Cori comes on board January 7, 2019 and succeeds Mary in the position we have retitled, **Church Administrator**. Cori is a vibrant, energetic, passionate follower of Christ, with a background in administration and small business. She served in full-time ministry in Colorado where she was on Young Life staff for 10 years. Cori holds a B.S. in English and Marketing and a Certificate in Youth Ministry from Fuller Theological Seminary. Her family moved to Richmond seven years ago and are members at West End Assembly of God.

Cori enjoys learning, leading, and laughing! She has a heart for teaching and being in fellowship with women and has lead and grown multiple women's ministries. Cori spends most of her time cultivating relationships with the Lord, her girlfriends, and her two elementary age boys, Clay and Cade. The family enjoys being outside, playing board games, healthy baking, and learning more about Jesus! We are delighted to have Cori join the staff, please join us in welcoming here to our ministry.

**Patrick Dennis** 



#### CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to supply a **Red or White** Christmas Poinsettia to decorate the church for Christmas, please place your order by **Monday**, **December 10**, **2018**. Fill in the order form below and return it to the church office, along with your check made payable to Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church. Poinsettias are \$14.00 each.

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Given By: \_\_\_\_\_\_

In loving memory of: \_\_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Plant Color: (Indicate number of each color) Red \_\_\_\_\_\_ White \_\_\_\_\_\_

Plants will be picked up \_\_\_\_\_\_ Plants can be delivered to shut-ins.



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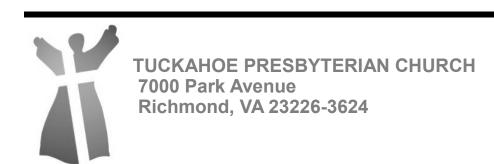
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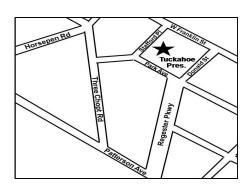
#### **Tuckahoe Staff**

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Sarah Cothern, Assistant Director of Music Ministries
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Linda Kurtz, Seminary Intern
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#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT:**

Called by God, to be the heart, voice, hands and feet of Christ where the Spirit leads us.



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