

Seeking God • Serving Others
BRADDOCK Baptist Church



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Every Week:

Sundays

TBD.....Church Breakfast
9:45 a.m.....Sunday School
11:00 a.m.....Worship Service
On Youtube: "Braddock Baptist Church"

Mondays

6:30 p.m Skype.....Young Adults
Small Group
<https://join.skype.com/FWTc2OLplqC4>

Wednesdays

6:30 p.m Skype.....Prayer Meeting
<https://join.skype.com/r07C9euD5UWY>
6:30 p.m.....Youth Group

Thursday's

6:30pm.....Church Volleyball
Lincolnia Park Recreation Center

MDO Preschool (First Day: Sept. 9)

Monday-Friday 9:30a.m.-1:30 p.m.

LIFE AT BRADDOCK

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The BRIDGE

Building Responsible Individuals Demonstrating Godliness to Everyone

Pastor Corder Note

Dear Beloved of the bride of Christ at Braddock;

Here we find ourselves just a little over a month out from the elections for the highest office of the United States of America, where God has blessed us to live. Some as natural citizens, others having chosen to become citizens and others yet residents. You may think that this is by your choosing but the scriptures tell us otherwise:

Acts 17: "26 From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. 27 God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us."

One of the greatest reasons God has put us in a place, for a time, is not for our financial gain, or peace of mind or even our security, but rather, that we might be light and salt to show the way to the Lord and to cause mankind to call out for God. Right now, men of the U.S. are calling out for justice and peace! But they are not overwhelmingly calling upon the Lord, they are calling upon the same system that has been promoting death, death for the baby and death for the downcast for a long time.

We live in a unique society, contrary to other nations, where we have a say. But many halt as to what to say, we find ourselves trying to reason – mostly with human, conventional reasoning as to what are the best of many choices to make as how to go forward with our voice we have been given in this free speech society. A voice that can shout for lower taxes, so I can live and enjoy more of my hard earned money, a shout for more help for the poor, so they might also be able to live to a standard that will silence their cry for even the essentials.

While these may be "good" shouts, let me suggest the priority of where to start: life, then liberty and the pursuit of any personal happiness. Life:

1 John 5: "9 We accept human testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. 10 Whoever believes in the Son of God accepts this testimony. Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed the testimony God has given about his Son. 11 And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life."

Human testimonies as to what men's needs are, is short sighted but God's testimony is greater on their behalf. Man asks for a better life, God wants to give them life, in order for them to live and better their co-existence. One must put first things first; give life, the opportunity to be born, to exist and make choices. Some men have suggested to question God someday, and to ask why; with the many life taking and suffering illnesses, like cancer that have plagued humanity, throughout history why, why he did not give these the cures. It has been proposed that God's answer might likely be that he had sent the cure within a baby whom he had formed yet unborn by human "choice."

I would like to suggest how we approach this opportunity to have our voices heard, that we choose of first importance, life and the life is in the Son of God. So 1st, let them be born, second let them have the freedom to know and be instructed in the way of their creator!

In closing I would just like to remind us that Jesus told us to Seek FIRST the kingdom of GOD and HIS righteousness and all these other things will be additionally applied to our living.

Your Pastor Loves you and prays that we will put into perspective, as to all the many good things that tug on our hearts, we put the life giver at the very top of our choice and that we never stop working to bring justice to all of his creation!!!!

Love you, Pastor Timothy

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Sunday School Update

October the beautiful 10th month of our year. Are you ready for the beautiful Fall color that will bless us later this month? I encourage us all to enjoy the wonderful and wondrous sights and smells that God blesses us with in the season of Fall in His glorious creation. As the deciduous trees become dormant to give us the Autumn colors let’s remember that we, as God’s creation, also provide beautiful color to those around us by not becoming dormant. We should remain alive like the evergreen trees holding and sharing the indescribable color of the Gospel of Jesus every month all year long.

As we continue to study the book of Isaiah and the important Words and messages the prophet brings I hope you are discovering and becoming more aware of the rich blessings we have as believers “in Christ Jesus.”

IN CHRIST I AM

Blessed, Chosen, Predestined, Adopted, Accepted, Redeemed,
Forgiven, Enlightened, Given an Inheritance, Sealed, Assured,
SAVED THROUGH MY FAITH “IN CHRIST”

Remember Jesus can be found in EVERY book of the Bible. Read the Bible EVERY day and share the Gospel with all you meet.

Remember to attend Sunday School and Worship every Sunday, in person or online in YouTube. And, invite others to join you!

The most important goal in our lives is to continue learning and growing in our relationship with our LORD, and sharing our Faith
“IN Him” with others.

God Bless You

Gary Moore, Sunday School Director
Chairman of the Board

Note from the Deacons

Exciting times at Braddock.

After many months of ripping out the old “stuff” and doing a lot of the behind the scenes construction of the sanctuary and fellowship hall, the new is beginning to be built.

May it be true in our life, to put to death the old “stuff” and allow Christ to build the new. Let’s walk by faith as we see God build that “new” creation in our life.

The deacon nominations have closed and by the time the next bridge comes out, they will have been announced.

Pray for God’s will to be done in all these things.

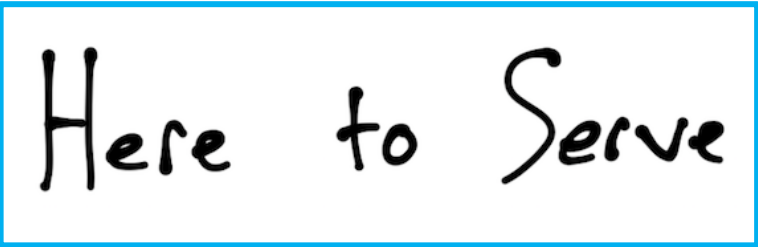
Lord bless you.

Let us know if your deacons can assist in any way.

Mitch B and the Deacon Team!
703.451.7784

October Birthdays

- 04 Natalie Aguilar
- 05 Lorin Short
- 11 Elaine Comer
- 23 Manjaka Andriamasinoro
- 30 Evelyn Poppell
- 31 Nathanael Bennett



PS If your contact information, has not been updated...ie address, email or phone number.... please be sure to let Jonathan know. If any of your contact information has changed in the last couple of years, it will be more difficult to stay in touch if your deacon has outdated information.

Serving families:

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| Harry & Carol Finley | → | Letters A through G |
| Becky Corder & Jim Hix | → | Letters H through P |
| Elaine Comer & Manjaka | → | Letters Q through Z |

Note from the Associate Pastor

Beloved BBC Family,

Praises and thanksgiving be to our God for his loving kindness and mercies which endures forever. Though undeserving as we are yet His mercies and grace are sufficient for each one us every day. Thank you, Pastor and Becky Corder, for taking a group of our church members to the Prayer March at the National Mall in Washington D.C. Let us continue praying for the healing of our land and the world during these extra ordinary times as the whole world continues to battle the Corona pandemic.

Also let us continue praying for the government as we are admonished to do so in 1 Timothy 2:1-2 “I encourage you to make petitions, prayers, intercessions, and prayers of thanks for all people, 2 for rulers, and for everyone who has authority over us. Pray for these people so that we can have a quiet and peaceful life always lived in a godly and reverent way. 3This is good and pleases God our Savior”. (God’s News Translation).

In regard to the forthcoming election in November 3, may God who knows all things and knows what is best for this country superintend the electoral process and give to this great land the President of His choice.

Let us continue to take heed to what God is teaching us through our daily Bible reading in our individual and family devotions. Recently we were reminded of God’s warning to the children of Israel about putting trust on man-made gods of wood and stone, which cannot see, hear, eat, or smell.” (Deuteronomy 4:28). Also, let’s learn from some of the Christians in Ephesus whom Acts 19 states, “18. Many of those who believed now came and openly confessed what they had done. 19 A number who had practiced sorcery brought their scrolls together and burned them publicly.... 20 In this way the word of the Lord spread widely and grew in power.” (Acts 19:18-20).

Some Christians in Ephesus still kept charms, amulets, objects for protection from evil spirits, sickness, bad luck, etc. All over the world we have weak Christians who use or keep such items! Do we have sorcery and witchcraft in the Western world? Studies show that “42% of USA Adults s believe that spiritual energy can be located in physical things” and “24% of USA Evangelical Christians believe that spiritual energy can be located in physical things.” (<https://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2018/10/01/new-age-beliefs-common-among-both-religious-and-nonreligious-americans/>)

It is important for us as Christians to remember that there is no God given, Bible approved physical or electronic gadget that Christians all over the world can keep or tattoo in their bodies, or keep in their houses/homes as dream catchers, key chains, or items placed in compounds, cars, offices, handbags, wallets etc., which would provide us with spiritual energy to protect us from danger or enable us to defeat Satan. Do you have anything physical in your life or in your home which you attribute it to some spiritual energy? Like those Ephesian Christians we should bring those “physical things, “those accessories for burning! No physical object can protect us from Satan’s power.

Jesus demonstrated for us that our only hope is the WORD of God-- the Bible. Not the Bible under a pillow as some do but the Bible in one’s heart (Joshua 1:8; Psalms 119:105,11. John 17:17, Mathew 22:29.) THE ONLY WEAPON YOU AND I NEED IS GOD’S WORD AND THE HOLY SPIRIT LIVING IN OUR HEARTS! Our hope is found in nothing else but in Jesus Christ. Salvation is found in Jesus plus nothing else. Jesus is our all in all.

Look at the example of Edward Mote (1797-1874) who converted at age 15 through the preaching of John Hyatt at the Tottenham Court Road Chapel in London. He became a master in making cabinets but at 55 years became a Baptist minister and pastored for 21 years at Strict Baptist Church in Horsham, Sussex. He became a prolific hymn writer composing more than one hundred hymns. In 1834 he composed the hymn “My Hope is built on nothing less than Jesus Christ; my righteousness”.

1797-1874) <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/history-of-hymns-my-hope-is-built>



1 My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus Christ, my righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus’ name.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

2 When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

3 His oath, His covenant, His blood, support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

4 When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found; In Him, my righteousness, alone, Faultless to stand before the throne

Jesus is our only hope in time and throughout eternity.

Be richly blessed.

Pastor Jones Kaleli, Associate Pastor.

Kingdom Work Youth Ministry

Happy October Beloved Braddock!

As I look back on this past month, one thing that speaks out to me above all the rest is God’s Sovereignty. From talking with friends, hearing from media, seeing firsthand how people carry themselves in society, fear seems to grip everyone’s lives in some way. This fear has come from many different things recently, some fear the riots, some fear the election, some fear Covid, some fear loss of jobs, loss of loved ones, loss of community. Fear seems to grip everyone nowadays. The Bible says in Isaiah 41:13, **“For I, the Lord your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, “Fear not, I am the one who helps you.”** As Christians, I believe this time we are in is a test to see where our trust and faith lies in. If we are trusting God to do and be what He says He is does and says He is, then we should have no fear of the current times. God promises us that He is the one who helps us. What greater helper can we ask for the Creator of the Universe? Beloved, if you are fearful and challenged by the current times, run to God our Father who cares for us. Don’t turn to fear, but turn to God! When we do that, we can feel his presence as God holds our right hand through the fear and the fire.

I ask that you continue to pray for our youth group here at Braddock! It has been challenging to meet together as its all online. We are trying to do events, but there are so many Covid restrictions, and we want to be wise. Continue to pray that God draws them near to Him during this time.

God bless you and keep you!

Jonathan Gesin, Youth Director

Health & Wellness Tidbit

Did you know...

If you need a mental break from fear or worry, take a mindful walk during which you focus on God, your body awareness, movement, breathing, and surroundings. It is a simple way to refresh your mind and be more present. One study found that people who did 30 minutes of mindful walking twice a week for four weeks had less stress and better quality of life.

Stewardship

As authorized by the Church, BBC Board of Directors still has a limited number of bonds available to sell as of January 1, 2021, to finance the balance of the Church renovation.

The bonds denominations will be \$10,000.00, paying 3.25% annual simple interest on December 31 of each year until redeemed December 31, 2039. The Bonds will be general obligations of the Church and will be callable (redeemable) in whole or in part at the discretion of the BBC Board on or after December 31, 2023.

Anybody who has an interest in purchasing one or more bonds, or desires additional information, should contact our Church Treasurer (Amy El-Naggar) or our Stewardship Chairman (Harry Finley).

The BBC Board of Directors is scheduling a church wide meeting on Sunday, November 8, 2020, after worship to

- (1) Provide an update on the renovation progress
- (2) Present the 2021 budget for approval
- (3) Present Subject Matter Expert (SME) names and other church positions for approval for those church members who have agreed to serve the church in 2021, and
- (4) Invite other updates from SMEs, church clerk, and our treasurer.



Church Bond Letter

Dear Braddockian,

We are happy to report that over \$1.3 million has been made available for our renovation project and donations continue to come in. In planning the project last year, the BBC Board of Directors believed we would need to borrow funds to complete the project, and the Church authorized the Board to do so.

Therefore, the Board is planning to issue Church Bonds on or after October 1, 2020, as needed, to finance the balance of the Church renovation. The Bond denomination will be \$10,000 paying 3.25% annual simple interest on December 31 of each year until redeemed on December 31, 2039. The Bonds will be general obligations of the Church and will be callable (redeemable) in whole or in part at the discretion of the Board on or after December 31, 2023.

It shall be the Church’s policy that, notwithstanding the absolute legal requirement that the Bonds do not have to be redeemed until December 31, 2039, the Board may consider on a case by case basis requests for redemption of bonds for hardship reasons. In this case, the Bonds may be redeemed from current or borrowed funds including issuing additional bonds with the same or different terms.

Anybody who has an interest in purchasing one or more bonds, or desires additional information, should contact our Church Treasurer or our Stewardship Chairman. These positions are currently held by Amy El-Naggar (571-748-8741) and Harry Finley (703-256-3480).

Blessings, Senior Pastor

Timothy Corder, Pastor

Braddock Baptist Church

Church Location Update

For Sunday Service, we are now partially reopening on the third floor for worship. The church renovation is in full swing and we are waiting expectantly to see our new sanctuary, fellowship hall, and lobby. Please be flexible in this time of transition and let us know if you have any questions. For those unable to do three flights of stairs, or unable to come due to being at high risk for Covid-19, you can also find our livestream on YouTube @ “Braddock Baptist Church.” Sunday School starts at 9:45am, and Service starts at 11:00am! We would love to see you every Sunday!



Our 2/3rd Braddock Baptist Church Temporary Sanctuary

