



# Suffolk Christian Church

*Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost*

Our Mission is to go and make disciples of Jesus Christ by sharing God's grace, love, and forgiveness.

Because we love Christ we worship.  
Because we believe in His grace we disciple.  
Because we follow His commandments we serve.

Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday, September 27, 2015

*Please enter into a spirit of prayer and meditation as the Prelude begins.*

Prelude *Praise Ye the Lord the Almighty* (Innes) Mary Huber, Organist  
Carmen Halley, Pianist

Chiming of the Hour

Greetings and Welcome

\***Congregational Introit** *No Other Name* #15  
*No other name but the name of Jesus, No other name but the name of the Lord; No other name but the name of Jesus Is worthy of glory, And worthy of honor, And worthy of power and all praise.*

\***Call to Worship** Inspired by Psalm 36:5-10

Pastor: No matter how far we wander from you, O God,

**People: Your steadfast love finds us.**

Pastor: No matter how unjust the world seems to us, O God,

**People: Your steadfast righteousness sustains us.**

Pastor: No matter how vulnerable our lives seem to us, O God,

**People: Your steadfast presence gives us hope.**

Pastor: No matter how unloved and uncared for we feel, O God,

**People: You hear our cries and answer our prayers.**

**All: Thanks be to God!**

\***Hymn of Praise** *All Creatures of Our God and King* #63  
(With optional last stanza setting)

\***Invocation and Lord's Prayer** ("trespasses")

\***Gloria Patri**

Mission Moment

Gathering Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *I'll Tell the World that I'm a Christian* (Bock)

\***Doxology**

\***Unison Offertory Prayer**

Heavenly Father, we acknowledge that you are the owner and we are the managers of all you entrust to us. Help us to live for you each day and to generously share the time, talents, and treasures you have given us. Amen.

The L.A.M.B.S. Club

\***Hymn of Devotion** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* #139  
(With optional last refrain setting)

Call to Prayer

Pastoral Prayer & Response

Choral Anthem *Our Father in Heaven* (Parks) Chancel Choir

Scripture Lesson James 1:26-27 (Pew Bible pg. 854)

The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God!*

Sermon **Have You Got Good Religion?** Rev. Halley  
*Sermon Series: Practical Teachings From James*

\***Hymn of Dedication** *Because He Lives* #358

\***Benediction**

\***Postlude** *O Love Devine* Mary Huber, Organist

*When the postlude begins, please greet the worshipers around you*

*\*Please stand as you are able*

The Flowers on the Altar are in Loving Memory of  
Lisa Noel and Michaela Griggs  
given by Barbara and David

Welcome to Suffolk Christian Church! May the love of God bless you in this time with us. We invite you to worship with us again next week. If you are a guest today, please fill out a guest card and place in the offering plate.

Care and Concern Outreach Ministry - Please complete a card, located in pew holder, to identify any needs of our members and place it in the offering plate.

*\*\*\*Serving This Sunday\*\*\**

- Deacons Greeting: Cheryl Ashcraft, Robert Boyce, Corky Harry  
Edie Matthews, Jim McCrary
- Deacons Delivering CDs: Cheryl Ashcraft, Jim McCrary
- Early Worship Deacon: Robert Boyce
- Acolyte: Hannah Fleming
- Audio Technician: Jonathan Martin
- Ushers: Rob Abernathy, Joey Briggs, Robert Whitmore,  
William Bailey, Joe Jones  
*Substitutes: Bob James, P. J. Fowler, Jimmy Fanny  
Jim Goben, Kenny Griffin, Calvin Jones*
- Junior Ushers: Hannah Fleming, Maggie Copeland, Annie Copeland
- House of Worship: Calvin Jones (*today*)  
Jim Shank (*next week*)
- Counters: Pat Bristow, Curtiss Johnson
- Sanctuary Guild: Sharon Fanny, Herbert Briggs
- Care/Concern Volunteer: Carman Goben (934-0140)
- Children's Church: Diana McBride, Caitlyn Hannah
- Beginners Workers: Claudia Salmon, Maggie Copeland
- Nursery Workers: Logan Masters, Julia McBride
- Greeters After Worship: Rev. Halley - North exit  
Ginny Thomas - Side exit  
Robert Bangley - Front exit

**Stewardship Report**

*"We Are Walking By Faith"*

Dimes for Missions .....\$605.40  
 September Mission Offering - Night Stay Ministry -\$519.00  
 October Mission Offering - Western Tidewater Free Clinic

Actual income to date: \$260,655.46  
 Actual expenses to date: \$268,501.31

Sunday, September 20, 2015

Sunday School .....63  
 8:45 am Worship Service.....17  
 11 am Worship Service.....126

Website: [www.suffolkchristian.org](http://www.suffolkchristian.org)  
 Pat Hawn ([webmaster@suffolkchristian.org](mailto:webmaster@suffolkchristian.org))

***Worship on the Lord's Day  
 Sunday, September 27, 2015  
 11:00 a.m.***



***Suffolk Christian Church***

**Rev. Michael D. Halley, Pastor**

**216 North Main Street**

**Suffolk, Virginia 23434**

**757-539-9182**

You are welcome to participate in any of the following activities at Suffolk Christian. Please call the contact person or the church office if you need more information.



This week at

## Suffolk Christian Church

<b>Sunday</b>	8:45 am	<b>Early Worship</b>
<b>Sept. 27</b>	9:30 am	<b>King's Ringers</b>
	10:00 am	<b>Sunday School</b>
	10:30 am	<b>Child of God Choir</b> (Sara Keene, 657.9201)
	11:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>
	12 noon	<b>Children's Christmas Musical meeting - Library</b>
	5:30 - 8 pm	<b>Youth Fellowship at the Kessinger's Home</b> (Erin Kessinger, 934.2325)
<b>Tuesday</b>	2:00 pm	<b>Saints Alive</b> (Carmen Halley, 539.3922)
<b>Sept. 29</b>	3- 5 pm	<b>Food Ministry</b>
	7:00 pm	<b>Tuesday Evening Beth Moore Bible Study, "Children of the Day" Conference Room</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 am	<b>Wednesday Morning Beth Moore Bible Study - Conference Room</b>
<b>Sept. 30</b>	7:00 pm	<b>Music Committee Meeting</b> (Tom Ashcraft, 934.1646)
	7:30 pm	<b>Narcotics Anonymous Meeting</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	9:30 am	<b>Thursday Crafters - Library</b> (Priscilla Bunch, 539.8930)
<b>Oct. 1</b>	7:00 pm	<b>Chancel Handbell Choir</b> (Sean Bilby, 539.6485)
	7:00 pm	<b>Men's Chorus</b> (Rev. Bob Crute, 771.4044)
	7:30 pm	<b>Chancel Choir rehearsal</b> (Janet Rock, 925.5777)
<b>Friday</b>	11:30 am	<b>Suffolk Meals on Wheels Delivery</b> (Deliverers: Kim Parr, Sue Parr, Ed Britt) (Cheryl Griffin, 934.1724)
<b>Oct. 2</b>	6:30 pm	<b>Friday Night Book Club at the home of Jennifer Worrell</b> (934.0457)

<b>Saturday</b>	2:00 pm	<b>Oktoberfest Party at the Munn's</b>
<b>Oct. 3</b>		<b>(See insert)</b>
<b>Sunday</b>		<i>Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>
<b>Oct. 4</b>	8:45 am	<b>Early Worship</b>
	9:30 am	<b>King's Ringers</b> (Sean Bilby, 539.8930)
	10:00 am	<b>Sunday School</b>
	10:30 am	<b>Child of God Choir</b> (Sara Keene, 657.9201)
	11:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>
	6:30 pm	<b>Singspiration at Oakland Christian Church</b> (Janet Rock, 925.5777)

## Coming Events

<b>October 5</b>	1:00 pm	<b>Afternoon Circle resumes</b>
	7:30 pm	<b>Evening Circle resumes</b> [Both circles will meet in Saints Alive Center.]
<b>October 20</b>	1:00 pm	<b>Saints Alive Potluck</b> (Carmen Halley, 539.3922)
<b>October 24</b>	1 - 4 pm	<b>Children's Fall Festival</b> (Priscilla Bunch, 539.8930)
<b>October 27</b>	7:00 pm	<b>The Praying Church</b>
<b>October 28</b>	9:00 am	<b>Young at Heart Norfolk outing and lunch</b> (Evelyn Jones, 539.7264)
<b>October 28</b>	7:30 pm	<b>October Church Conference</b>
<b>Nov. 7</b>		<b>Fall Bazaar</b>

September 27, 2015

### Hospitalized

(Riverside Hospital - ICU) – Chris Hathaway - (husband of Penny Hathaway, step-sister of **Katelyn Herek**)

### Prayer Concerns

**Mary Jane Cathey** - at home .... **Tom & Grace Garner-Atkins** .... **Dorothy Bober** - moved to Kindred Healthcare for rehab .... **Herbert Briggs** - at home .... **Debra Carr** - at home .... **Steve Redd** - at home .... **Muriel Shumate** .... **Carter Ferguson** .... **Heather Ferguson** .... **Jane Pritchard** .... **Kitty Martin** .... **Tom Ashcraft**

### Ongoing Prayer

**Dylan Lilley** - mission trip to Ghana, Africa with AgriCorps (nephew of Becky Bradshaw)

**David & Dot Darden**

**Forrest Cathey**

**Milton Liverman** (friend of Jim Thorsen)

### Our College Students

**Austin Babb**, University of Alabama; **Meghan Babb**, Louisiana State University; **Rebecca Bangley**, Longwood University; **Kasey Banton**, Tidewater Community College; **Matthew Bradshaw**, University of Virginia; **Courtney Buchanan**, Tidewater Community College; **Christine Comer**, Belmont University; **Neal Davis**, Tidewater Community College; **Mollie Edick**, East Carolina University; **Olivia Elliott**, University of South Carolina; **Kyle Griffin**, Virginia Commonwealth University; **Shannon Griffin**, Old Dominion University; **Ashley Heuberger**, Lynchburg College; **Jacob Holland**, Ferrum College; **Bryce Jones**, The University of Virginia College at Wise; **Michelle Martin**, Tidewater Community College; **Connor Munn**, Longwood University; **Kaylor Nash**, Radford University; **Bracey Parr**, George Mason University; **Margaret Parr**, Christopher Newport University; **Chase Phillips**, Tidewater Community College; **Blair Ritter**, James Madison University; **Jennifer Saunders**, James Madison University; **Nicholas Smith**, Elon University; **Will Wyatt**, University of Virginia.

### Our Missionaries

**Joyce & Jim White**, Scripture Memory Mountain Mission, Emmalena, Kentucky

**Christine & Chris Surber**, Supply & Multiply, Haiti

**Katy Johnson**, Amman, Jordan

### Deployed

**Cris Beutler** (son-in-law of one of Cheryl Ashcraft's co-workers)

**Lt. Edward G. Chalkley** (grandson of Nancy & Milton Chalkley)

**LCPL Langdon Conklin**, USMC (grandson of Jack & Eloise Byrd)



### Extended Family & Friends Prayer Concerns

**Jessica Reichley** (daughter of one of Cheryl Ashcraft's co-workers) .... **Marianna Whitley** (sister of Margaret Saunders) .... **Steve Triston & Celena Rose** .... **Brad Hemstreet** (father of Jessica Rogge) .... **Lillian Heffington** (friend of Pat Bristow) .... **ivosallie1** (website submission September 12, 2015) .... **Judy Welch** (friend of Floyd & Judy Twiford) .... **arleenvano** (website submission September 10, 2015) .... **Nell Williams** .... **Edna Earl Carter** (sister of Eloise Byrd) .... **Thom Davis** (Navy friend of Michael Halley) .... **Jeff Halley** (son of Carmen & Michael Halley) .... **Doris Bailey** (sister of Margaret Saunders) .... **Louise Bradshaw** (mother of Mary Lou Bradshaw) .... **Patsy Morris Vance** (friend of Eloise Byrd) .... **Joe Duke** (former SCC staff member) .... **Brenda Kizer** (family friend of the Worrell's) .... **Robert Ascher** (brother of David Ascher) .... **Judy Ascher** (sister-in-law of David Ascher) .... **Steven Burton** (cousin of Elaine Abernathy) .... **Patsy Smith** (friend of Jim Thorsen) .... **Rick Pearce** (son of Riddick Pearce & nephew of Judy Eure) .... **Joanna Bates** (sister of Betty Johnson) .... **Martha Rekni** (friend of Anne Potter) .... **Barbara Rice** (friend of Nancy & Marcy Pichel) .... **Clark Thompson and Patrick Annas** (friends of Jim Hancock, Mills Staylor, Glenn Ellis, Linda Culliton) .... **Phil Gibbs** (brother of Joyce Ralph and father of Gretchen Jones) .... **Harvey Parker** (brother of Margaret Herring & Sarah Burford) .... **Martha Britt** (sister of Margaret Herring & Sarah Burford)

### Skilled Care

(Kindred Rehabilitation & Health Center) – **Doris Gardner** (aunt of Priscilla Bunch)

(Autumn Care) – **Patricia Griggs**

(Lake Prince Woods) – **Louise Boone, Howard Boone**

(Consulate Health Care, Windsor) – **S. A. Pylan**

### Home Bound

**Shirley Crump, Nancy Fulgham, Dorothy Judkins, Margaret Ramsey, Rita Redfern, Vernon Taylor, Margaret Herring**

### Assisted Living

(Kindred) **Marjorie Wilkinson; Nancy Chalkley**

(Village at Woods Edge) **Pete Kidd**

(Chesapeake Place) – **Millie Strickland**

### In Sympathy

† **Vernon Gayle** and family on the death of his nephew, **Raymond Emmerson Butler Jr.**, on August 29, 2015.

## James 1:26-27

New International Version (NIV)

Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God!**

### *All Creatures Of Our God And King*

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in Heav'n along,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice;  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice,  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for Thy Lord to hear,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
Thou givest man both warmth and light,  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart,  
Forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye! Alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on Him cast your care,  
O praise Him! O praise Him!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, three in One,  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Brent Milligan | David Crowder | St. Francis of Assisi | William Henry Draper

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*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Chorus

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning New mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;  
There is no shadow Of turning with Thee.  
Thou changest no; Thy compassions, they fail not.  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.*

*Summer and winter, And springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars In their courses above,  
Join with all nature In manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, Mercy and love.*

*Pardon for sin And a peace that endureth,  
Thy own dear presence To cheer and to guide.  
Strength for today And bright hope for tomorrow-  
Blessings all mine !*

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*Because He Lives*

*God sent His Son- they called Him Jesus;  
He came to love, heal and forgive.  
He lived and died to buy my pardon;  
An empty grave is there to prove  
My Savior lives.*

Chorus

*Because He lives I can face tomorrow;  
Because He lives, all fear is gone.  
Because I know He holds the future,  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives.*

*How sweet to hold our newborn baby,  
And feel the pride and joy he gives;  
But greater still the calm assurance:  
This child can face uncertain days  
Because He lives.*

*And then one day I'll cross that river;  
I'll fight life's final war with pain.  
And then, as death gives way to vict'ry,  
I'll see the lights of glory  
And I'll know He reigns.*

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