# **Weekly Oakletter**

## **Oaklette United Methodist Church**

#### April 13 2025



Oaklette UMC will meet in person and on Facebook Live at 11:00 am on Sunday, April 13, 2025. The Chancel Choir will present the Easter Cantata, "In Christ Alone."



Brenda Swoope – April 13 Donna Baker – April 19



Please remember the Blessing Box when you are out shopping! Beans will be our focus for the month of April, either dried or canned. Please place your donations in the box in the narthex.



The United Women of Faith will be collecting Kits for Conference. We will provide Hygiene Kits, Menstrual Hygiene Kits and Cleaning Kits. Instruction sheets are on the table in the narthex. Kits need to be turned in by May 31.

# PRAYER CONCERNS

**Tyrone** Armstrong **Barlow Family** Joyce Bell Tanya & Steve Benton Kendall Brodie (friend of Mrs. Hickman's grandson with cancer) Claudia Calhoun (friend of Sonia) Megan Carroll Judy Carter Cherry & Sebastian Chesapeake Police Dept. **CNRMA ROC** Coastal VA District & DS Givens Sandy Carraway Kent Carter Len Carter Kaylee Cuccorillo (Ericka's co-worker) Alex Denton Mary Lou Dory Jay Eckert (Ethel's nephew) **ForKids** Freekind Virginia Patricia Guthrie (Mildred Walling's sister-in-law) Karon Hardy (Monica's Neighbor) Doris Wolfe Harlan (Phyllis B. Wolf, mother-inlaw) **Bill Henry** Ethel Hickman Hope Hodges & Debbie Home School Out of Box Amber Jenkins

Earl Jenkins (Ericka's dad) Pat Johnson Brian Lincoln (friend of Ethel Hickman) Loving Neighbors Mission Camp Rose Marie Madu Wayne Magner **Terry Martin** Kristie Masters (friend of Ethel Hickman) Walter Nebrotskie Pat Newbern AJ. Panis Ethel's friend's son) Dana Quinn Ray & Bob Rosales Hosea Smith (friend of Monica) Loretta Smith (Amy's son's girlfriend's mother) The League of Advocates Edward Thomas Virginia Conference & **Bishop** Sue Mildred Walling Truman Weekly (Paige's Father) Wesley ODU **Betty Whitehurst** Monica Whitehurst **Phyllis Buchanan Wolfe Tommy Womack Our Pastor** 

<u>Nursing Home & Long-Term Care Residents</u> Billy East <u>Our Homebound</u> Virginia Hair

I imagine myself along the route you traveled into Jerusalem, dear Jesus. I lay branches along your donkey's path and praise you: "Hosanna, Son of David!"

Calendar		
<u>Sunday, April 13, 2025</u>		
9:30 am	Sunday School	
9:30 am	SOTM	
11:00 am	Worship in Person & Facebook	
(Nursery: )		
	<u>Monday, April 14, 2025</u>	
10:00-12:00 pm Food Pantry		
(	Paige Weifert & Joanne Rooks)	
7:00 pm	HRM Band	
	<u>Tuesday, April 15</u>	
Wednesday, April 16, 2025		
6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal	
	<u>Thursday, April 17</u>	
8:30 am-3:00 pm HSOTB		
10:00 am	Bible Study	
6:30 pm	Holy Thursday Service	
	<u>Friday, April 18</u>	
7:00-9:00 am & 12:00-3:00 pm Sanctuary		
	Open for Prayer	
	<u>Saturday, April 19</u>	
	<u>Sunday, April 20</u>	
6:30 am	Easter Sunrise Service/Pavilion	
7:00 am	Pancake Breakfast	
9:30 am	Sunday School	
9:30 am	SOTM	
11:00 am	Worship in person & Facebook	
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### HOPE FOR HOLY WEEK

As you travel with Jesus through Holy Week, don't lose heart. He is your Palm Sunday King. He will always come to you and give you the best of what he has to offer because of his humble attitude and his devotion to his mission.

When you see this Savior who personally cares for you, you can't help but join the believers of old to give to the Lord your best and most precious treasures of your heart and life, and then to join with all believers saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

—Peter Sulzle



My latest batch of Krispy Kreme coupons expires May 18, which means that they're good for Teacher Appreciation Week. That's good, because the committee on nominations and lay leadership development recommends taking doughnuts or perhaps bagels to Norfolk Highlands Elementary School during Teacher Appreciation Week May 5-9 as a second-quarter outreach project for 2025.

Debbie Rippard has been in touch with the principal of Norfolk Highlands, who says that her staff numbers about 70. Maybe taking doughnuts or bagels there next month will help create ways for us to be in mission with the Title I school. [Note: May 6 would be the best day to take bagels since Tuesday is National Bagel Day at Panera and a baker's dozen costs \$9.49, which is comparable to the price of discounted doughnuts.] Maybe whoever goes can also drop off a stack of the church's cards as a way of establishing connection.

We had a great response last month when we took doughnuts to College Park Elementary School and to the road crew working outside the church on Shrove Tuesday. I thank everyone who participated then and invite all to participate in this ministry as well.

One more item about ministry: We need volunteers for the nursery. Lisa and Brooks won't be here April 13, and Debbie and David will be singing in the cantata. Please let the church office know if you are willing to help with this important ministry.

Thanks, Ned