



CRADOCK BAPTIST CHURCH

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~ September 2024 Newsletter ~

A Note from Our Pastor:

Dear Cradock Family.

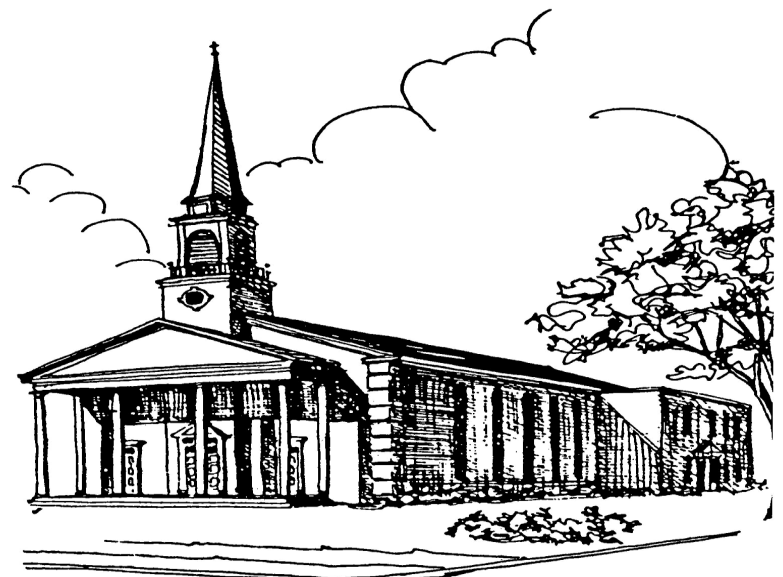
We live in a world that is constantly changing and putting us in new situations that we have never experienced. These situations cause us to experience a lot of anxiety, because we do not know the outcome. When we have faith in our Lord and Savior, He knows everything that we are going through, plus where they will lead us. He has us covered, but that still does not lower our anxiety level.

Philippians 4:6 tells us: "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

I know, you will say as all us do that this is easier said than done, but when we place our trust in Jesus being God, all things are possible. This requires us to put our full faith in our Lord and open our hearts to His leading. We as a Church, know if you keep reading the attendance numbers in the bulletin, realize that we are few in number, because some have moved away or the Lord has taken them home. Through prayer, we lift each other up and the Lord sustains us.

I have two prayers: first that we as a Church of Jesus Christ be fervent to do His will and be a voice for Christ in the Cradock area. Second, through prayer, the Lord brings us new members who want to join us in ministry to the Cradock area and will also support us financially. I truly believe that if we are doing His will then as He has in the present will continue to provide for our needs. That being said, if you are behind in your financial support, we would ask you to please send your support in as we continue to minister. We may be few, but with the Lord behind us and we lift our needs to Him, He will sustain us and bless us because we hold true to the gospel of Jesus Christ and give a witness of what He has done in our lives.

In His Service:
Pastor Dave





*For where your treasure is,
there will your heart be also.*

- Matthew 6:21

Financial Information for January 1, 2024 - August 31, 2024:

Church Financials:

Income (tithes and offerings):	\$61,406.00
Expenses (utilities, salaries, et cetera):	\$71,005.46
Net Operating Total:	- \$ 9,599.46
Summary Income exceeded expenses by:	- \$ 9,599.46
Annual Expense Budget:	\$95,726.50
Year to Date Actual Expenses:	\$71,005.46

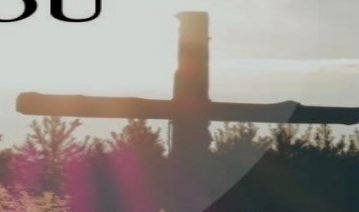
Church Banking Account Balances:

Checking Account:	\$33,460.57
Certificate of Deposit Value:	\$22,416.30
Capital Campaign Fund:	\$35,236.30

Endowment Fund Balance: \$120,741.78

(Restricted Funds per Cradock Baptist Church's By-laws and Constitution)

**CHURCH IS NOT
SOMETHING YOU GO TO,
IT'S A FAMILY YOU
BELONG TO.**



DEACONS

Leading through Serving.

A Note from Our Deacons:

Dear Friends,

As always, please let any of the Deacons know how we can assist you. All of our Deacons, consider each member of our Church, to be a part of our family! May God always bless each of us! Wishing all of our members a fall season of blessings from our Lord!

Sincerely,
Vernon Butler,
Chairperson



Our Deacons

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Church Notes...



Robin Class News...

The *Eagle Eyrie Retreat for Special Needs* will be held October 18 to 20, 2024 in Lynchburg, Virginia! Last year, we had 4 students from our Robin Class, along with 2 chaperones, attend the retreat. They all had a wonderful time together learning about and deepening their relationship with God. We are making an appeal to our Church family for monetary donations to help off-set the expenses, so that there will not be a cost for the retreatants. Please make a notation in the memo section of your check for "Eagle Eyrie". Thank you and may God always



Our Annual Truck or Treat Halloween Celebration...

Halloween will be here before we know it and we need your help to make this year a safe and joyous celebration our children!

Ways to help:

- * Donate a bag or two of individually wrapped candy
- * Make a momentary donation
- * Volunteer
- * Decorate your vehicle for the children to visit Halloween night

Donations can be given to Erin Bracy or dropped by the office by October 29, 2024 please. For any questions and/or to volunteer, please contact Erin at 757-404-0695.



Be sure to come out
for the fun on
October 31st from
6:00pm - 8:00pm



FREE



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Cradock Baptist Church
96 Afton Parkway
Portsmouth, VA 23702

Sunday ~ September 22, 2024 ~ 4:00pm

Join us for our feature presentation of
~ The Garfield Movie (2024) ~

Free Popcorn & Juice

Join us for FUN & FELLOWSHIP!

Bring a FRIEND!





SEPTEMBER

16 Joan Mercer
26 Diana Talman

OCTOBER

2 Autumn Redd
5 Micky Evans
19 Vernon Butler
29 Jennie Evans
31 Ruby Smith

May God bestow special birthday blessings to those celebrating!



SEPTEMBER

7 Don & Betty Large

OCTOBER

1 Ernest & Esther Ward-Cassell
15 Dave & Jackie Phillips

*May God bestow special wedding anniversary blessings
upon the couples celebrating!*

*Kid's Coloring
Fun Page...*



HELLO
SEPTEMBER





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2 STAMPS

MAILING LABEL



This is the day the Lord has made!
~ Psalm 118:24