

Dear Peakland Baptist,

Thank you for welcoming me into your church family. In these last three weeks, I have felt such a warm welcome as I've had the opportunity to meet the ladies of Circle 1, the members of the personnel committee, and the deacons. I've had the privilege of spending time with a number of individuals. While I'm reaching out to meet with more members, it's also helpful when individuals call the church or email me (michael@michaelkcheuk.com) to set up a time to get together. In addition to chatting with many of you, every Sunday in worship, I'm ministered by Debbie Burton and the choir, by Allan Heer at the organ, and by church members who offer their talents in worship. Donna Johnson has been so helpful to me in the office, and I'm struck by her deep knowledge of all things about Peakland Baptist, from the building to the members of this church.

In the short time I've been with you, here are some of my initial impressions. You are a kind-hearted congregation that practices a faith that is open and welcoming to those of different Christian traditions and even other faiths. You are an intellectually curious and engaged congregation that is eager to think about sermons, read and discuss books, and consider new ideas. Many of you are invested in your professions, and you are interested in how your Christian faith and your profession mutually inform each other. As I mentioned in my sermon last Sunday, I believe the city of Lynchburg needs a Baptist church that is ecumenically welcoming, intellectually curious, spiritually warm, and compassionately active in this community.

I see my main responsibility as your interim pastor is to help shepherd you through this time of transition so that you are ready to embrace a new permanent pastor. In the coming weeks and months, I'm eager to help you see yourself more clearly and to empower you to leverage your strengths. You have a bright future, and I'm thankful that God has given me the opportunity to play a part in the future story of Peakland Baptist Church!

Michael K. Cheuk, Interim Pastor

A Special Note of Thanks!



I would like to thank everyone for the prayers for my son, Tony Ferguson.

His biopsy came back with good results.

We are very excited about what the future holds.

Thanks again, Hattie Bradshaw

Our Search Team

Continue to pray for our Search Team!

*Fran Christie, Chair
Tom Willman, Vice Chair
Parks Snead, Secretary
Jeff Curcio
Amy Ray
Nancy Sale
Linda Williams*



Women on a Mission

Dinner/Meeting
Thursday, October 5th
Isabella's - 6:00 p.m.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Liberty University's Concert Choir,
under the direction of
John Hugo,
will be with us during the
worship hour on
Sunday, October 22nd.

Circle 1



No Meeting in October

We will gather on
November 13th
11:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hall

Michael Cheuk will be our Guest Speaker
Lunch will be provided!

Men's Breakfast!
Saturday, October 21st
8:00 a.m.



New Location: Acorn Hill Bistro
2134 Old Forest Road
(located on the left-hand side of the road,
about a mile or less down the hill from Kings Island. Look for
the big Acorn Hill sign. Lots of good parking!)
Come join us!

CALENDAR



**PENCIL IN THE EVENTS ON YOUR
CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER**

Sunday, 1st	10:00 a.m.	Christian Education Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service - Communion
Monday, 2nd	7:00 a.m.	McNeely Book Discussion Group
Tuesday, 3rd	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thurs, 5th	6:00 p.m.	Women on a Mission Dinner/Meeting at Isabella's
		No Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 8th	10:00 a.m.	Christian Education Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	12:05 p.m.	Kristie Miles, Pulpit Guest
Monday, 9th	7:00 a.m.	Diaconate Punch, Host: Georgia Fauber
		McNeely Book Discussion Group
		Circle #1 - no meeting this month
Thurs, 12th	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 15th	10:00 a.m.	Christian Education Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
Monday, 16th	7:00 a.m.	McNeely Book Discussion Group
Thurs, 19th		No Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, 21st	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast, Acorn Hill Bistro
Sunday, 22nd	10:00 a.m.	Christian Education Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		Liberty Univ. Concert Choir
Monday, 23rd	7:00 a.m.	McNeely Book Discussion Group
Thurs, 26th	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 29th	10:00 a.m.	Christian Education Classes
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
Monday, 30th	7:00 a.m.	McNeely Book Discussion Group



Come Grow With Us

SEARCHERS

Meets in the Brooks Education Wing downstairs.
Soul Survivor by Phil Yancey
(a study of persons who transformed Yancey's life and work.)

RENOVATORS

Meets in the Brooks Education Wing downstairs.
This class has not been scheduled.

THE FORUM

Religion and current events are discussed in the Brooks Education Wing downstairs.

ADULT STUDY

The Formations - Meets in the Parlor
Galatians: Reclaiming Freedom

*Adult Care Center
needs volunteers for the
Smith Mountain Lake
Charity Home Tour*

October 6, 7, and 8, 2017

*You can help raise thousands
of dollars for
The Adult Care Center of
Central Virginia*

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER
TO WORK ONE 4-HOUR SHIFT,
CALL ANDREA AT
434-847-8111
today!**

**Charity Home Tour 2017
Smith Mountain Lake**

**October 6 and 7 - 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
October 8 - 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.**

**Tour eight spectacular waterfront homes
by car or boat.**

**Tickets valid all three days.
One visit per home.
Tour held rain or shine.**

**Tickets
www.smicharityhometour.com**



**Rivermont Area Emergency
Food Pantry**

Peakland's Week: October 9 - 13

**If you would like to
volunteer, please sign up on the
sheet in the narthex. Thanks!**

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

Contact the Church Office (434) 384-2031
Email: peaklandbaptistchurch@verizon.net
or Michael Cheuk, Interim Pastor
(434) 878-2225

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Georgia Willis Fauber, Diaconate Leader
(434) 386-9672
Email: willisgeorgia@yahoo.com

**WESTMINSTER CANTERBURY
FALL BAZAAR**

**Wednesday, October 18th
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Commons and
Bridge Third Floor**



**Coffee and Doughnuts - 9:00 a.m.
Silent Auction - 10:00 a.m.
Door Prizes - Tickets \$1.00
Handmade Crafts and Goodies**

**Proceeds for
Payne Family Employee Education Fund**



October, 2017



*and *Anniversaries*

01	*Jim and Amy Ray	13	Nancy Sale
01	*Phil and Lois Sanders	14	Elizabeth Cook
02	*Jack and Anne Flippin	15	Gus Hermosa
02	Mimi Hermosa	15	*Lee and Agnes Kirstein
02	Mackenzie Woody	18	Debbie Burton
01	*Knight and Dana Garrard	18	Phyllis Thomasson
04	Fran Christie	19	Dona DuVal
04	*Gwynn and Betty Ramsey	20	Jackie Asbury
05	Nancy Cardwell	21	Nikki Leggett
06	*Dennis and Daphne Taylor	23	Sam Cardwell
08	Louise Riley	27	*George and Verna Moseley
09	*Buddy and Margaret Daniel	27	Trey Moon
11	*Randal and Sandy Walton	29	*Brad and Penny Barden
11	Penny Barden	31	Jan Daniels
13	Woods Cook, Jr.	31	Jenny Haga
		31	Mary Lee Bell

CHURCH STAFF:

The Rev. Dr. Michael K. Cheuk	Interim Pastor
The Rev. Nathan C. Brooks, III	Pastor Emeritus
Ms. Debbie Burton	Music Director
Mr. Allan Heer	Organist
Mrs. Donna Johnson	Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Judi Handel	Financial Assistant

VISION STATEMENT

We are faithful and loving servants of God who believe that Jesus Christ is the risen Lord. We are a spiritual, ecumenical congregation, called by God, bound by faith, united in fellowship, dedicated to freedom, and engaged in God's work of mission and outreach.