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We, the family of Fredericksburg Baptist Church, are on mission together

Called Business Meeting to Vote for New Minister with Youth and Young Adults

The Personnel Team is pleased to invite you to a called business meeting on Sunday, April 28th. The purpose of the meeting is the election of Beth Bailey as the new Minister with Youth and Young Adults.

The meeting will begin in the Welcome Center immediately following the 8:30 AM service and concluding immediately prior to the 11:00 AM service. You may stop in the Welcome Center during this time to meet Beth and cast your vote.



Meet Beth Bailey, our Nominee for Minister with Youth and Young Adults

Beth R. Bailey is currently serving as the Seminary Intern for Young Adults at River Road Church, Baptist in Richmond, VA where she will close her internship at the end of June. Beth is a proud "Double Hoo" having graduated from the University of Virginia with a Bachelor's in Religious Studies and a Master's in Teaching in December of 2020. She has just completed her Master of Divinity degree at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond where she will graduate at the end of May.

Recently, she was named CBF Vestal Scholar for 2022 and has been involved with CBFVA for the past several years, assisting with and leading youth retreats and going on the recent pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2022. Additionally, she worked two summers as a staffer for PASSPORT Camps and has interned with CBF's Student.Go and Student.Church programs while in college. Beth is passionate about working with youth and young adults, navigating religious trauma with those the church has hurt, and creating open and brave spaces for young people to boldly live into who God is calling them to be.

While not serving in her ministerial role, she enjoys spending time with her family and friends. Beth is married to her husband, Colin Bailey, who is in his last year of working toward a PhD in Chemical Engineering at VCU. They have a Golden

Retriever named Ginny, with whom they spend their free time playing and taking walks. In the rest of her free time, Beth enjoys playing slow-pitch softball (as she played travel fast-pitch softball through high school), watching women's basketball (Go Caitlin Clark!), reading on her Kindle, going to farmer's markets, and finding the best vanilla latte in town.

This is a pivotal moment for our church family, particularly for our youth and young adult ministries. We look forward to your participation and support in discerning Beth's call to this important role.

Save the Date! We are excited to see you each Sunday and look forward to your participation on April 28.

Among Our Family

-In the Hospital-

<u>Tanzania Hospital:</u> Tuyishime Emmanuel (grandson of Barawiha Ezekiel and Hakizimana Rose)

At Home Under Hospice Care: Annie Mae Jones

-Sympathy To-

Mary Wayland Lawson in the death of her husband John Lawson

Stewardship Summary

Ministry Budget	
Weekly Needs	\$28,667
Sunday, April 14	\$20,004
Y-T-D Total	\$333,834
Ahead/Behind Budget	-\$96,171
Undesignated BUOH in Missions	
Sunday, April 14	\$355
Y-T-D Total	\$21,063
Watering the Roots Capital Fund	
Sunday, April 14	\$230
Y-T-D Total	\$9,302

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Worship and Wonder is a Time for Children Ages K-2nd Grade to Explore the Weekly Scripture and Wonder about the Stories of God.



Over the next six weeks our children will be hearing the lectionary text and then be invited to respond to what they heard with legos. This active participation in the story gives our youngest worshippers an opportunity to explore the text and dig a little deeper with prompting questions that help them "wonder" about what it might have been like to be in the story.

- I wonder what it felt like to see Jesus after his death on the cross?
- I wonder if the disciples actually touched Jesus' hands after he invited them to do so?
- I wonder what kind of fish he ate?

Wondering questions open up our minds to think more deeply about the story and also help us become active participants in scripture. What do you notice when you read the Bible? What

do you wonder about? How do you respond to the good news?



7:15PM ANNUAL MEETING

Featuring an address from

Dr. John Ragosta "Hornets, Snakes, Baptists, and Presbyterians: How Religious

Freedom Developed in the American Revolution"



Dr. John Ragosta is a historian, lawyer, and beekeeper living in Charlottesville, Virginia. He is currently the interim director and historian at the Robert H. Smith International Center for Jefferson Studies (ICJS) at Monticello and a fellow at Virginia

Humanities. His work in history has focused primarily on the foundations of religious freedom in America, constitutional law and history, the Revolutionary War, and the early republic.