

THE REVEILLE WINDOW

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Reveille in the Snow, December 12 | Photo courtesy of Rachel Sanders

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Reveille's New Organist

Welcome Tom Bailey

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee is pleased to announce the hiring of Tom Bailey as Reveille's organist. Tom's first day on staff will be January 1.

Learn about Tom's career and background on [page 5](#).



The Prayer My Pastor Warned Me About



When I was a 24-year-old seminary student serving as an associate pastor in a field education placement in rural western North Carolina, I served for 11 months with a pastor named Chip Webb, from whom I learned a great deal. One of the most important of these lessons dealt with the topic of prayer.

There is a prayer that today is commonly called “A Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition,” one that John Wesley adapted from a 17th-century English Puritan named Richard Alleine. It was a prayer the early Methodists, especially in Europe, used in watchnight services on New Year’s Eve or on New Year’s Day itself as a way to renew one’s commitment to Christ at the outset of a new year.

Because Wesley omitted the prayer from the worship book he published in 1784 for use by Methodists in America, the prayer and the covenant service it is a part of are not used as much here as it is in the British Methodist Church. However, the prayer is an important part of our history, included in our hymnal and Book of Worship, and worthy of our consideration at the outset of 2019.

In that church in North Carolina, at the very end of 1995, Chip introduced his congregation to this prayer, but he warned them about simply praying it with rote obedience. “Read these words,” he told us, “Consider what they mean, as well as what you are committing your life to if you dare to pray these words.”

We stood there for a few moments in silence, and then, as one, we prayed:

“I am no longer my own, but thine.
Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.
Let me be employed for thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.
Let me be full, let me be empty.
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal.
And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
thou art mine, and I am thine.
So be it.
And the covenant which I have made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven.
Amen.”

It is a serious prayer, one that invites God to have God’s way with us, our treasure, and our lives. It is a prayer that invites us to let go of everything we have, everything we know, and everything that we are, and to place those things that we have released at the feet of our God, and then stand before this God naked, exposed, and vulnerable. It is a prayer that invites us to live what we believe, fully and heartily.

As we prepare for another calendar year together, I invite you to make this prayer a part of your devotional life, but I warn you: if you do, if we do, anything is possible, for you, for me, and for our life together, for this prayer invites our lives into a place where we can do no less than “do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.” Handle with care!

*Peace,
Doug*

Ministry Sunday

Welcome Gennifer B. Brooks

Sunday, January 27

Rev. Dr. Gennifer B. Brooks is the Ernest and Bernice Styberg’s Associate Professor of Preaching at Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary and Director of the Styberg Preaching Institute. She has been a United Methodist Elder in Full Connection since 1993. She is also the author of numerous books, hymns, publications, and papers. Join us in welcoming Rev. Dr. Brooks as our guest preacher during worship services on Sunday, January 27.



Sunday Worship 8:30 am Chapel | 9:00 am Fellowship Hall | 11:00 am Sanctuary



What is the point of church if God is everywhere? Do I have to go to church to be a Christian? Is church relevant anymore? Join us as we explore these and other questions together, as we seek God's truth, and as we learn to discover in this ancient friendship, in this church, that Christ calls nothing less than his body on earth.

January 20

"The Place to Discover Your Gifts"
1 Corinthians 12:1-11

February 17

"The Church is a Place of Hope"
1 Corinthians 15:12-20

February 3

"The More Excellent Way"
1 Corinthians 13:1-13

February 24

"We Are the People of Eternal Life" | 8:30 and 9:00 am
1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50
Youth Sunday "Reflections" | 11:00 am

February 10

"The Reason We Exist"
1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Learn more, read the weekly scripture guide, and listen to sermons at www.reveilleumc.org/why-church.

Wednesdays, February 6, 13, 20, and 27

Reconciliation

Crossing Racial Barriers One Relationship at a Time

Swansboro Partner Church Program

5:30 pm Meal

6:30 pm Program

The congregations of Reville, Love Center of Unity, and Koinonia Christian Church will spend time in intentional fellowship while learning about the history and traditions of our partner churches.

Please join us Wednesday evenings in February for these special programs at 6:30 pm in Reville's fellowship hall:

February 6 – Koinonia Christian Church

February 13 – Love Center of Unity Full Gospel Church

February 20 – Reville United Methodist Church

February 27 – Joint Worship Service (Chapel)

Register for the meal before each program by 8:00 am on Monday. Visit www.reveilleumc.org/dinner.

WORSHIP

Doug Forrester, leadpastor@reveilleumc.org, (804) 359-6041, ext. 112

Wednesdays: January 9, 16, 23, 30

Evensong

A service of singing and prayer



On Wednesdays evenings, join in a special Evensong service of music, prayer, meditation, and reflection at 6:30 pm in the chapel on January 9, 16, 23, and 30. Learn more at www.reveilleumc.org/wednesday.

Wednesday Evening Meal

5:30-6:30 pm | Fellowship Hall

Enjoy a delicious meal before each Evensong service. Reservations are required by 8:00 am Monday at www.reveilleumc.org/dinner. For upcoming dinner menus, visit www.reveilleumc.org/menus.

No meal or worship service on Wednesday, January 2.

Supporting Neighborhood Ministries

Human Relations Day

January 20

Reveille will make a donation on behalf of the congregation in support of Human Relations Day. This Special Sunday supports three vital ministries of the United Methodist Church:

- The Community Developers Program of the General Board of Global Ministries
- United Methodist Voluntary Services Program
- Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program for At-Risk Teens



For more information about Human Relations Day, visit www.umcsgiving.org/ministry-articles/human-relations-day.

Worship Attendance

SUNDAY		8:30 am	9:00 am	11:00 am	Total	WEDNESDAY		6:30 pm
	December 2	110+12	55	216+14	407		December 5	38
	December 9	68	34	*0	102		December 12	42
	December 16	115+7	85	297+17	521		December 19	53

*Service canceled due to snow
+ indicates extended session and nursery

**In case of emergency, please
contact the pastor on call (804) 380-8668**

Reveille's New Organist **Tom Bailey**

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee is pleased to announce the hiring of Tom Bailey as Reveille's organist. Tom's first day on staff will be January 1.



Tom was born at Fort Lee, Virginia. After traveling throughout Europe and in the United States, his family returned to Hopewell upon his father's retirement from the army. There Tom began his organ studies and took his first church job at Ettrick United Methodist Church. He continued his organ studies at VCU before traveling to Vienna, Austria, where he studied for several years with the noted Bach scholar and performer Anton Heiller.

On returning to the United States, he founded a small opera company, The Richmond Opera Alliance. In the ensuing years, his church positions included Christ Church in Oyster Bay, New York; Centenary United Methodist in Richmond; St. Anne's Episcopal in Reston, Virginia; St. Paul's Episcopal in Brooklyn, New York; St. Peter's by the Sea in Bay Shore, Long Island; and Emmanuel Church, Brook Hill, in Richmond. He most recently served as interim organist at Bon Air Baptist.

In addition to his bachelor's degree in organ performance from VCU, Tom holds a Master in Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary.

Tom returned to Richmond to help care for his elderly parents in Hopewell. His father has since died, and Tom and his mother are adjusting to being roommates. He is excited to be a part of the wonderful music ministry team at Reveille, and looks forward to making beautiful sounds on Reveille's fine organ in this most beautiful space.

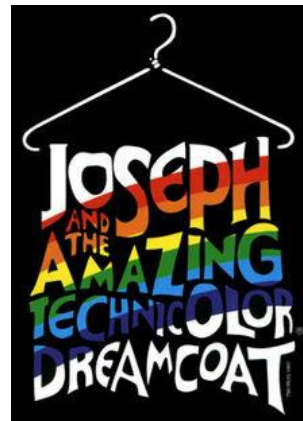
Director of Music Ministries Daniel Banke noted that the search committee is very excited to welcome Tom.

"Based on his audition, interview, and wealth of experience, Tom was absolutely the right choice for this position. We believe that Tom will elevate the quality of Reveille's music ministry, and bring a distinct voice to our community of faith."

Thank you to the Reveille staff, leaders, and members who participated in the rigorous interview process that led us to hire Tom.

Important Dates **Journeying with Joseph** Summer Musical

This spring and summer, our Youth Choir will embark upon the great journey of preparing for the production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Based on the auditions that were held in late fall, a cast of lead roles are already in place. However, we are still seeking talented singers and dancers, so it's not too late to join us! Here are some anticipated highlights of the journey ahead:



January 5: Kick-Off Party

To attend, RSVP to Daniel Banke, music@reveilleumc.org by January 3.

January 6: Rehearsals Begin

Combined Youth Choirs meet at 4:45 pm. Youth Choir will experience a combination of choir pieces and *Joseph* music during the months of January and February

February 24: Joseph Kicks Into High Gear!

The majority of Youth Ensemble time will be devoted to *Joseph* rehearsal from this point on (after Youth Sunday that morning).

July 8-13: Production Week

All cast members should reserve this week for intensive rehearsals early in the week, and four performances (onsite and offsite) on July 10, 11, 12, and 13.

Youth Musical Parent Meeting January 6 | 6:30 pm

All parents of youth who are participating in the production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* this spring and summer are encouraged to attend an informational meeting Sunday, January 6, at 6:30 pm in the choir room.

Learn How to Get Involved

Friends of the Homeless

For the past 17 years, the fourth Thursday of each month at Reville has been a busy one in the fellowship hall kitchen. Folks come and go, dropping off potato casseroles and homemade brownies, and your mouth waters at the smell of the casseroles warming in the oven. Six volunteers meet at Reville then carpool to Greater Mt. Moriah Baptist Church on 2nd Street where we feed approximately 180 people in need.

Our involvement with Friends of the Homeless goes back to the summer of 2001 when the older elementary day camp, now Kids Camp, moved toward being a week of hands on mission experiences for the children. That spring a list of area feeding sites appeared in the district newsletter and Friends of the Homeless was the only weekday site. Shawnee Hansen started the program and visited the day camp children as they prepared potato casseroles. She also shared with them how she became involved in serving the needs of Richmond's homeless.

We would like to thank the Reville congregation for continuing to support this wonderful monthly outreach ministry. We have had the great fortune of having several people co-chair this ministry throughout the years. Carol Humphries has stepped down from her co-chair position and we would like to extend our gratitude for her time and dedication to Friends of the Homeless. We welcome Kim Cronheim as our third co-chair for 2019.

How to Help

Friends of the Homeless has dedicated monthly and periodic supporters. If you would like to help, please look for the sign up sheet in the welcome center two weeks prior to the meal. Meals take place on the fourth Thursday of the month.

Some months, spots to help remain open and an email is sent out requesting additional volunteers to make casseroles and/or to help serve. If you would like to be added to the email list, please contact Kay Craven, cravendk@aol.com.

There is also the opportunity to help pack 180 bagged lunches on fourth Sundays at 10:30 am in the welcome center. No sign up required!

We couldn't do it without you! God bless and thank you.

-Kay Craven and Mary Jane Walls



Rise Against Hunger Packed Meals Update

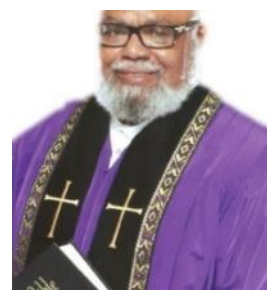
Thank you to everyone who supported the annual Rise Against Hunger meal packaging event on November 11.

A shipping container holding 285,120 meals has been sent to Madagascar for the Adventist Development and Relief Agency.

Adventist Development and Relief Agency is an organization that nourishes lives through food assistance and other services in Madagascar. To learn more, visit www.riseagainsthunger.org/world-aid/.

Rev. Keith Edmonds Anniversary Celebration

Koinonia Christian Church invites you to share in celebrating the 10th pastoral anniversary of Rev. Keith E. Edmonds, Sr.



The event will take place Saturday, February 16, 4:00-8:00 pm, in Reville's fellowship hall.

Banquet tickets are \$40 each and available for purchase by contacting Regina Jones, (804) 241-0617, or Pastor Michelle Edmonds, (804) 222-7504. The deadline to purchase tickets is Friday, January 11.

Friends of the Homeless this month

Serve the Midday Meal

Thursday, January 24 | 11:15 am | Fellowship Hall

Pack Lunches

Sunday, January 27 | 10:30 am | Welcome Center

Details at www.revilleumc.org/foh.

Swansboro Community Ministries

For more information about Swansboro Community Ministries, contact Jill Gaynor, jwgaynor@gmail.com.

This New Year, Get Involved at Swansboro Elementary School

Classroom Volunteer

Volunteers are invited to join Reville members Linda Gill, Jane Tucker, and Mary Jane Walls as they assist kids in second grade classrooms. If you would like to help in the classroom or mentor a student, Communities in Schools (CIS) offers one-hour, no-cost training each month. Upcoming training dates are:

- Thursday, January 24, 11:00 am
- Wednesday, January 30, 10:00 am
- Monday, February 4, 2:00 pm

For additional dates, visit www.bit.ly/cis-volunteer-orientation.

During the training, a required background check will be completed online. The background check fee is \$24.80 and you can be reimbursed by Reville.

After-school Volunteer

Volunteers are welcome to join Reville's Marvelous Mondays team, led by Sheelagh Davis, to assist students in the after-school program with arts, crafts, games, dance, homework, and other enrichment activities. The program began in November and is off to a great start. To get involved, contact Sheelagh at sheelagh.d@verizon.net.

Tours

Come tour Swansboro Elementary to learn more about the school and its children. Please contact Carol Hampton, carolhampton1205@gmail.com, or Wendy Malamphy, wmalamphy@hotmail.com, to set up a time.

Swansboro Weekly Email Volunteer Update

To learn more about Swansboro happenings, Ellen Ficker, CIS Coordinator, distributes a weekly email with volunteer opportunities and special requests. Please email Ellen to join the distribution list, eficker@cisofrichmond.org.

Thank you for Helping Swansboro Elementary Students!

Thanks to members of the Covenant and Wesleyan Fellowship adult Sunday school classes for providing gifts to Swansboro families. Ellen Ficker coordinated the effort to identify families in need.

Thanks also to the Mary Lou White Circle for providing three bags of sweatpants and socks. Students still have a need for the following items: boys belts (sizes XS – XXL/6 – 18), long sleeve shirts for boys and girls (all sizes), and boys underwear and undershirts (all sizes). Please contact a ministry champion to donate items.

For more information, contact Swansboro Elementary School ministry champions:

- Carol Hampton, carolhampton1205@gmail.com
- Wendy Malamphy, wmalamphy@hotmail.com
- CIS Site Coordinator: Ellen Ficker, eficker@cisofrichmond.org

Children's Sunday School

January 6

Magi consumed by the Fire Star
Matthew 2:1-12

January 13

The Baptism of Jesus and recalling God's promises
Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

January 20

Witness to God's new way in the world
John 2:1-11

January 27

Shaped by God's word
Luke 4:14-21

January Family Prayer

God of the Flaming Skies

We set out on a journey to worship you.
We know that along the way we will encounter you in the
face of strangers and in the depths of despair.
We know we will find you in our pain and in our rising
joy. Meet us at the beginning, meet us at the end, and
walk with us in between.

Amen

Sacred Circle and Liturgical Dance Classes

Sign up Today

Gain harmony and balance through sacred circle and liturgical dance. These simple, gentle movements have ancient roots in music and dance from around the world.

2019 Class Dates

Classes are on Wednesdays the following dates:
January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10, and May 8.

For Adults:

Sacred Circle Dance

3:15 pm | Youth Center

Join Tammy Tipton-Nay in learning meditative, healing dances from around the world.

For Children:

Liturgical Dance

4:30 pm | Youth Center

Learn interpretive movements praising God in worship. This class is for children second grade and up.

For more information about dance classes, contact

Tammy Tipton-Nay, children@reveilleumc.org.



Boaz & Ruth

Serve Saturday

January 19

All ages are invited to help at Boaz & Ruth on Saturday, January 19, 10:30 am-noon, 3030 Meadowbridge Road, Richmond. Attendees will help prepare for their annual Martin Luther King Day celebration while learning more about their mission.



Boaz & Ruth is a non-profit organization that is rebuilding, empowering, and connecting lives and communities. Bring your family to discover how you can partner in community to make a difference. Space will be limited. Please RSVP to Tammy Tipton-Nay, children@reveilleumc.org.

Summer Camps at Reveille

Kids Camp

Rising third through sixth grade
June 24-28, 2019

Vacation Bible School

July 22-26, 2019
Age four through rising second grade
Save the dates! Registration opens soon.

Night of Worship Winter Kickoff

Combined Youth Group
January 6 @ 5:30 in the Youth Center

Come out for an exciting winter kickoff for Youth Ministry on Sunday, January 6, at 5:30 pm in the youth center. The band 360 Collective will join us for a celebration of worship with live music! Check out [360 Collective's video](#) and learn more about their mission.



Rev. Joe Torrence will also share an inspirational message with youth during kickoff.

Bring all your friends for Mellow Mushroom pizza, fun prizes, awesome music, and together let's make a great start to 2019.

Our friends from Trinity UMC Youth Group will also join us for this night of fun and worship. This event is free and open to all youth!

Register now: www.bit.ly/2019-winter-youth



Save the Dates! Youth Opportunities

February 1-3

Youth Ski Trip

February 24

Youth Sunday

March 15-17

Journey Middle School Retreat at Rockbridge

April 28

Senior Night at Youth Group

June 23-28

Lake Junaluska Music and Worship Arts Camp

June 24-28

High School Volunteers for Kids Camp

July 14-20

Jeremiah Project Middle School Mission Trip

July 22-26

Youth Volunteer for Vacation Bible School

July 28-August 3

Eastern Shore High School Mission Trip

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Youth
Christmas
Party

Photos
courtesy of
John Moerner



Saturday, February 23

Spiritual Life Retreat

Author Maria Leonard Olsen

Join the United Methodist Women for a Spiritual Life Retreat featuring author Maria Leonard Olsen, Saturday, February 23, 9:00 am-noon. The theme is "Breaking Free: How to Find Your Peace on Earth." We will examine how to make space for God by examining our preoccupation with earthly concerns such as addictions to substances and harmful habits, comparisons, perfectionism, and anger, and learn how we can claim God's "peace which passes all understanding."



The retreat leader, Maria Leonard Olsen, is the mother of two children, a lawyer, journalist, and author. Her most recent book, *50 After 50-How to Reframe the Next Chapter of Your Life*, was published in 2018. For more information, visit www.MariaLeonardOlsen.com.

Reveille member Anne Poarch will also share selections from *Flight*, her book of poetry.

Retreat registration will open soon, so please save the date!



For more information about the UMW, visit www.reveilleumc.org/umw.

Sunday, February 3
UMW Souper Bowl

The UMW will host the annual Souper Bowl on Sunday, February 3, benefiting United Methodist Family Services. To help, contact Mary Evans, maryevans1@yahoo.com.

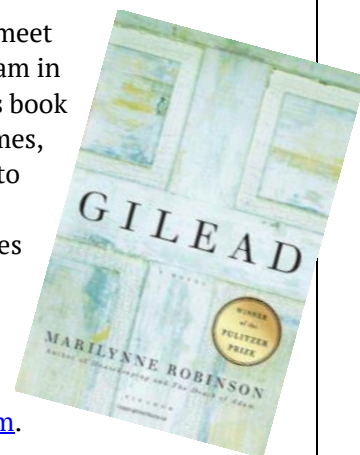
Explore Great Reads

Women's Book Group

January 17 | 10:30 am | Church Parlor

Gilead by Marilynne Robinson

The Women's Book Group will meet Thursday, January 17, at 10:30 am in the church parlor. This month's book *Gilead* begins with Rev. John Ames, at 77 years old, writing a letter to his six-year-old son. The dying father shares his faith and stories of the family dating back to the Civil War. Jane Tucker will lead this month's discussion. For more information, contact Carol Uzzle, ctuuzzle@gmail.com.



Child care is available on request. For more information, visit www.reveilleumc.org/book-group.

What to Read Next

February 21

America's Original Sin: Racism, White Privilege, and the Bridge to a New America by Jim Wallis

An examination of the roots of racism and a call to action toward racial justice and healing.



Tuesday, January 15 | 11:00 am

Take a Trip to Africa

Program and Luncheon

Enjoy a photo safari of Africa with Bill and Elaine Bugg! Invite your friends to this special program on Tuesday, January 15, at 11:00 am in the fellowship hall. Bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share at the luncheon following the program. The main dish and beverages are provided.

Mark your calendar now for our February 19 program and learn about Richmond's historic Branch House.

To learn more about Leisure Club, visit www.reveilleumc.org/leisure-club.

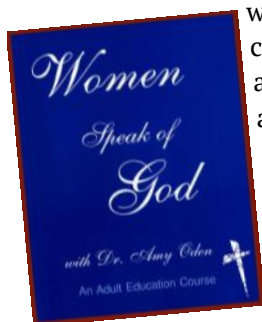
Begins January 9

Women Speak of God

Register Now

This eight-week class will be led by the Women of Spirit, Wednesdays, starting January 9, 10:00-11:30 am, in room 210. The class introduces us to the voices of six women

who struggled with issues of identity, character, and calling, and who were able to attest to God's living presence amidst their struggles.



In this video-based study, Dr. Amy Oden examines how Christian women in different cultures and time periods have written about their faith.

To register, visit www.reveilleumc.org/study.

Saturday, February 2

Bible Boot Camp

Register to Attend

Join us for this intense, six-hour workshop as we walk (or run!) through the general content and historical context of the entire Bible, address the barriers that keep many of us from feeling confident about reading scripture, and acquire resources and support for continuing your journey into God's Word.



Using resources and techniques grounded in Methodist theology, we will gain knowledge and skills that will help us access and appreciate every book of the Bible as an essential part of God's love story with humankind.

The class will be facilitated by Lead Pastor Doug Forrester and Jennifer McCluskey, M.Ed. This seminar is appropriate for all levels of Biblical knowledge and doubt!

Date: Saturday, February 2

Time: 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Registration opens at 8:30 am

Cost: \$15 (includes class materials and lunch)

To register, visit www.reveilleumc.org/study.

REVEILLE TODAY

Learn More About Reveille

January 20, 27, and February 10

Sundays, 4:30-6:30 pm, Reveille House

Reveille Today consists of three sessions focused on getting to know Reveille's ministries and opportunities offered for worship, spiritual growth, and service. The class also will help you discern your individual spiritual gifts and how you can use them to best serve God and humanity in the church and in the world.

To register, visit www.reveilleumc.org/study.

Begins January 13

Young Adults Class

During Sunday School

Join the young adults Sunday school class, second Sundays, beginning January 13, 9:30-10:30 am, in the Reveille House parlor. The class will discuss the connection between current



events and theology, and enjoy fellowship. Please join the class any second Sunday. For details, contact Kelley Lane, adultministries@reveilleumc.org.

More Young Adult Activities This Spring

Several fun activities for young adults are being planned this spring. A Doodle poll will be sent to determine dates and times. Please share your contact information with Kelley Lane to be included in the poll.

January

Reveille United Methodist Church
www.reveilleumc.org

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Happy New Year Church Office Closed	2 No Wednesday Evening Meal or Worship	3	4	5 Joseph Kick Off Party
6 Epiphany of the Lord "Take the Long Way Home" 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 am Youth Winter Kick Off 5:30 pm Youth Musical Parent Meeting 6:30 pm	7 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00 am	8 Christian Yoga 10:30 am	9 Women Speak of God 10:00 am Sacred Circle Dance 3:15 pm Liturgical Dance 4:30 pm Fellowship Meal 5:30 pm Evensong Service 6:30 pm	10	11	12
13 Baptism of the Lord "Baptized in Permanent Purple Ink" 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 am Young Adult Sunday School 9:30 am	14 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00 am	15 Christian Yoga 10:30 am Leisure Club 11:00 am Grief Workshop 5:00 pm	16 Women Speak of God 10:00 am Fellowship Meal 5:30 pm Evensong Service 6:30 pm	17 Book Group 10:30 am Dementia Support Group 6:30 pm	18	19 Serve Saturday 10:30 am
20 Why Church? Series "The Place to Discover Your Gifts" 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 am Reveille Today 4:30 pm	21 Martin Luther King Day Church Office Closed	22 Christian Yoga 10:30 am Church Council 7:00 pm	23 Women Speak of God 10:00 am Fellowship Meal 5:30 pm Evensong Service 6:30 pm	24 Friends of the Homeless Midday Meal 11:15 am	25	26 Church Council Retreat 10:30 am
27 Ministry Sunday Guest Preacher Rev. Dr. Gennifer Brooks 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 am Friends of the Homeless Lunch Packing 10:30 am Reveille Today 4:30 pm	28 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00 am	29 Christian Yoga 10:30 am	30 Women Speak of God 10:00 am Fellowship Meal 5:30 pm Evensong Service 6:30 pm	31	February 1 2 Bible Boot Camp 9:00 am God in Art at VMFA 10:00 am Youth Ski Trip: Feb1-3	

Visit www.reveilleumc.org/calendar for a detailed calendar of events

All-ages Advent Sunday School | December 2

Photos courtesy of Tammy Tipton-Nay



Annual Christmas Concert | December 16

Photos courtesy of John Moerner

Meet the 2019 Church Council

The Church Council is Reville's governing body for ministry and administrative matters. We are grateful to the following members for their commitment to serve on the Council this year.

Elected Leaders

Council Chair	CJ Struble	cjtiger@mac.com
Lay Leader	Claire Kaugars	ckaugars@gmail.com
Secretary	Linda Gill	lagill@verizon.net
Finance	Steve Fisher	steve.fisher@vamlc.com
Staff-Parish Relations	Heather Lockerman	hlockerman@gmail.com
Trustees	David Simonsen	dsimonsenj@aol.com
Grow Team	Linda White	lindawhite1@comcast.net
Serve Team	Kathy Rainey	csrainey1@verizon.net
Worship Team	Pete Watson	petewatsoniii@gmail.com
Children's Council	Jennifer Rosen	jrosen@rrlawfirm.com
Youth Council	Emma Bruny	emmabruny@comcast.net
Adult Council	Randy Manspile	manspile@verizon.net
Senior Adult Council	Vickey Verwey	vaverwey@aol.com
Treasurer	O. Allen Davis	oallendavis@hotmail.com
UMW Representatives	Laura Lay	lauradelmorelay@gmail.com
	Carolyn Blaylock	william_blaylock@verizon.net
Youth Representative	Andrew Bullock	andrew_bullock@collegiate-va

Staff

Lead Pastor	Doug Forrester	leadpastor@reveilleumc.org
Associate Pastor	Stephen Coleman	associatepastor@reveilleumc.org

The Church Council members are your representatives. Email addresses are included above for all members so that you may contact them with any questions or to learn about opportunities to serve.

Changes to Council Structure

You may notice that representatives are not listed for the Stewardship and Witness and Engagement committees. The work of these two committees is still being done, but the ministry structure has been reorganized.

The Stewardship team will be a working subcommittee of the Finance committee moving forward. This will better integrate the functions of the two committees allowing for a more holistic approach to stewardship, giving, and generosity. Stewardship will be represented on the Church Council by the Finance committee chair.

The functions of Witness and Engagement have been distributed to other ministry areas as follows to better align their goals with the goals of similar ministries:

Grow Team	Administration	Property
Athletics	Communications	Garden
New Members	Worship Attendance Follow Up –	
Spiritual Gifts and StrengthFinders	with input from Grow	Congregational Care
Coffee Fellowship	Name Tags	Shepherding
First Time Visitors	Wednesday Evening Meal –	
Reveille Day	in conjunction with Grow	Worship
Reveille Today		Greeters
Wednesday Evening Meal –		
in conjunction with Administration		

Are you in the church directory yet?

Get connected. Join the member directory.

Visit www.reveilleumc.org/directory-form to add your information to the directory. Or pick up an authorization form from the church office.

Concerned about security and privacy? So are we.

We require that either a paper or an online authorization form be completed before members are added to the directory to ensure we only include the information you want to share. You may choose to list as much or as little information as you would like.

Your online directory account will be protected by a password only you know. Only members listed in the directory have access to the online version.



The website and databases are up to date with the latest security patches to protect against any current and future security threats. Search engines do not crawl any of the directory data located within the password-protected portion.

Add a photo—or not. The choice is yours.

While we encourage everyone to include their photo, a photo is not required in order to be listed in the directory. To add a photo, email your photo to Terri Edwards, admindirector@reveilleumc.org, or upload it when using the online directory form.

Want a printed directory?

A printed version of the directory is available by contacting the church office.

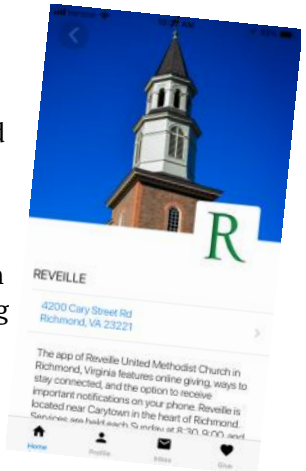
Have questions?

Contact Terri Edwards, admindirector@reveilleumc.org or (804) 359-6041, ext. 116

Get Notifications from Reveille on your Phone

Sign up for the UMCgo App

Download the new UMCgo app on your mobile phone to receive important notifications from Reveille, including weather-related closings and cancellations.



You can also easily make contributions or payments through the app, with more features coming soon.

The app is available free for iPhone and Android devices. In your app store, search for **UMCgo**. Once you have installed the app, open it and click on “near me” and then select **Reveille RVA** from the list of churches.

You can then create your profile or make a contribution or payment using the options at the bottom of the screen. To get push notifications from Reveille, be sure notifications from UMCgo are enabled in your phone’s settings.

Reveille Weekday School Accepting 2019-2020 Applications

Reveille Weekday School is accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year. Church members will receive preference if applications are received by December 31, 2018 and applications will be considered once the school office reopens January 3. We invite your family to become a part of this special ministry of the church.

The Weekday School philosophy is based on a child-centered program in which children learn and grow through play and intentional teaching. The staff provides a warm, caring environment where the child’s intellectual, spiritual, emotional, social, and physical growth are fostered.

For more information, please contact Reveille Weekday School Director Tiffany Christopher, (804) 359-4600, Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-12:30 pm, or visit www.reveilleweekday.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS

Sign up | July 13-20

Honduras Mission Trip

Medical Outreach



Reveille's Outreach Ministry is sending another mission team to Honduras, July 13-20, 2019, through the Friends of Barnabas Foundation. Please consider joining the trip to serve communities in need.

- Do you feel called to be part of a mission team serving the people of Honduras?
- Do you have medical, dental, or vision training and seek to improve the lives of those who don't have regular care?
- Do you have administrative skills and a desire to serve as assistant team leader?
- Do you speak Spanish fluently or at all?
- Both health care professionals and volunteers without specialized training are needed!

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions and would like more information, please contact Kim Daniel, kdaniel@hancockkdaniel.com.

Now Hiring

Youth Ministry Intern

Reveille is now hiring a part-time youth ministry intern to work alongside the director of youth ministries this spring or summer.

**NOW
HIRING**

Duties may include teaching and leading groups of teenagers, mission trip and event planning, and administrative support.

To apply, visit www.reveilleumc.org/jobs.

Support Groups

Grief Workshop

Full Circle Grief Center and Reveille partner to offer a monthly grief workshop. This month's workshop will be on Tuesday, January 15, at 5:00 pm in the church parlor.

Dementia Caregiver Support Group

This group supports dementia caregivers and discusses issues surrounding Alzheimer's diseases and related dementias. The next meeting is Thursday, January 17, at 6:30 pm in room 206.

Support groups are open to everyone who may benefit. No registration is required. For details, contact Stephen Coleman, associatepastor@reveilleumc.org.

Reserve Altar Flowers

To reserve a Sunday date for flowers on the sanctuary or chapel altar, contact Cheryl Arrington, pastoraladmin@reveilleumc.org, or 359-6041, ext. 114. The cost for flowers is \$45.



Help in the Library



The Reveille Memorial Library will open soon after an extensive renovation.

The Library Committee is looking for members who may be interested in helping in the library.

For more information, please contact Sally Boykin, boykin32@hotmail.com.

Reasons to Give **Making Things Possible**

By Chris Campbell

In the December edition of this newsletter, Jill Gaynor wrote about spiritual reasons for giving and about the practice of tithing in particular. In November, John Barr shared why it's appropriate to give. He cited scripture. He delved into the scriptural and spiritual reasons for giving and how giving affects our interior spiritual health and gratitude.

I want to address stewardship on a very practical level. I want to offer you some very practical reasons for giving to Reveille of your financial resources. I know that they are limited.

I wish I could say that I tithe. What I can say, is that it's a goal and I am going to keep working toward it. But I do give, and have for as long as I can remember. I gave to my home church even when I was in college, and as I moved around the world in the Air Force, even during the time when I didn't attend church regularly. I did that for the sorts of reasons that John and Jill wrote about.

I'm happy to say that I can give to Reveille for very different reasons. I give to Reveille because I can see every week what my giving makes possible.

Serving on the finance and stewardship committees over the past five years has made it impossible for me to take for granted the things that we have here.

It's right before us every Sunday and every other day of the week depending on how involved we want to be physically in the life of this church. What practical me is going to tell you is what your giving makes possible goes on every day here, whether you see it or not. In fact, if your involvement with Reveille begins and ends with Sunday morning, you might want to consider giving even more because of that.

I want you to think about your giving not as paying for anything but simply as making things possible.

We pay for things in order to have them. Jill touched on this in her December article. I don't really think God cares what we have. I think that's the root of the scripture that John cited, when Jesus says if you want to start toward righteousness, begin by giving everything away to the poor.

I believe God cares what we do. I believe God wants Reveille to do. And you only have to look around and read the bulletin or follow the website to know that Reveille does. Daily in this building, on this seven acres, across the river in Swansboro, across state lines in Daytona, across oceans in Honduras and in the Bahamas, Reveille does. And everything that Reveille does you make possible.



Reveille's multiple pastors minister to us and to others because you make that possible. We turn the lights and heat on in our buildings and we sit on cushioned pews because you make that possible. We sing out of hymnals and we get to read bulletins because you make that possible.

There are homes on distant islands where families give thanks to God every day that their roof no longer leaks, and I have met those families and your youth have met those families, because you make that possible.

No federal grant funds this church. You fund this church. I fund this church. We, together, fund this church.

I'm not up here to guilt anyone into giving. Reveille is not like that. What I want to do and I hope I have done maybe a little is to help you rejoice in the opportunity you have through your generosity to this church to make incredible things possible every day.

I want to thank you for doing what you already have and for doing what you can moving forward. I want to thank you for the next faithful step that you take.

**See the next page for more about
giving at Reveille or visit
www.reveilleumc.org/giving**

Your New Year's Resolution

Invest in Transforming the World

Stewardship Update

Thank you to all who have already made a commitment to invest in Reville's ministries this year. Your ongoing support creates discipleship opportunities for our congregation and community, allowing us all to grow in our faith through worship, study, and service. Your financial commitment also allows Reville to reach and engage others who desire to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Through December 20, 2018, our church has received giving estimates of \$1,115,574 towards the \$1,300,000 necessary to fully fund our ministries in 2019.

If you have not made your commitment to support our transformative ministries yet, there is still time! Make your New Year's resolution to practice the spiritual discipline of giving in 2019. An Estimate of Giving card is available on this page, or pick up one in the church or church office, or you may make your commitment now at www.revilleumc.org/estimate.

Share Your Ministry News

The deadline for the February edition of *The Reville Window* is January 10

Email your articles to communications@revilleumc.org, and copy the staff member associated with your ministry. Submissions may be edited for style, length, grammar, and accuracy. Photos of church events are encouraged!



THE NEXT FAITHFUL STEP

2019 Estimate of Giving

Please print:

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Choose one \$ _____ weekly

\$ _____ every other week

\$ _____ twice per month

\$ _____ monthly

\$ _____ one time

☐ I have set up direct debit contributions at www.revilleumc.org/giving.

Signature _____

Date _____

Complete, cut out, and return this card during worship services or mail to the church office. You may also complete your 2019 Estimate of Giving at www.revilleumc.org/estimate.

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Give Electronically

If you give by electronic funds transfer, you can use an "I Give Electronically" card to place in the offering plate as a symbol of your gift. Look for the cards inside the attendance books.

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