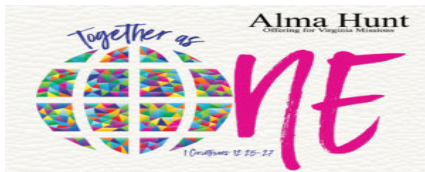


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September is the month we focus on the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions. This offering provides funding for all Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia missions and ministries and also funds other special ministries and initiatives of the Baptist General Association of Virginia that are not funded through their regular budget. We will be collecting this offering through the month of September.

Update on Church Name Change Process

We now have a new website pantopsc.org and a new email address pccmail1525@gmail.com. We will continue to check the bmbcmail account, but would like to phase that out over time. Please update your contacts.

Attendance on September 10, 2023

Worship - 43	Sunday School - 26
Budget	\$ 1,210.00
Other	\$ 55.00

Financial Summary as of August 31, 2023

Budget to Date	\$ 159,333.28
Actual Expenses to Date	\$ 124,021.00
Actual Giving to Date	\$ 123,146.00
Current Deficit	\$ 876.00
Freeman Original Loan	\$ 120,000.00
Remaining Loan Balance	\$ 47,421.88

Thank you for your faithful financial support of Pantops.



Meal Packaging

Saturday, October 21st

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Thanks to the Freeman Fund, we will be packaging 10,000+ meals again. We'll be inviting our Chapman Grove neighbors to join us, but feel free to invite friends and family to take part in this hands-on ministry. Some of the positions require standing, but there are plenty of seated jobs to be done too, so all ages can participate.

Hymn Sing

The Hymn Sing in September is cancelled, but will resume in October.

WEF Bible Study - Romans

Our fall Wednesday Night Bible Study resumes this week as we study Romans with fresh eyes and the goal of applying Paul's ideas to our time. You are welcome to join us each week from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM in the Dorcas classroom.

Matt's Open Door Hours

Tuesday through Thursday, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

If you specifically need to talk to Matt, please confirm the time ahead. In addition, Matt can often be found around the office outside of these hours. His day off is Friday.



A Message from our Pastor

“Don’t tell Dan Rinald that I made a mess in his microwave!” That’s what I said to Lorie on my second day on the job as I cleaned splattered soup out of the kitchen microwave. Lorie had walked in at the worst moment possible! Don’t worry; I cleaned up the microwave and the soup was delicious. But that got me thinking about who we are when we show up to church. I’m not a perfect person, pastor, husband, or father. I have messes around the edges, but so do we all. I think it will be more honest to show up as we are than to put on airs of perfection when we step into the doors of the church. What a fellowship we might be if we were able to both be our authentic and broken and hopeful selves and to allow those around us the space to do the same.

Mark Lowry, of Gaither Vocal Band fame, recorded a song composed by CBF minister Kyle Matthews. The song was called “We Fall Down” and it recounted the story of a villager who peered beyond the high gates of the monastery and saw only perfection. A priest happened by and told the man that just like everyone else, they fall down and get up. They were both saints and sinners. I encourage you to go online and listen to the song this week. Better yet, read the blog post that Kyle wrote chronicling the story behind the song:

<https://kylematthews.com/blogs/behind-the-songs/posts/5104605/the-strange-saga-of-we-fall-down>

In Christ,
Matt Roberts

Christian Concerns

Irene Ankney, Bill Downer, Ted Harwood, Pete Hildebrand, Susan Marinan, Greg McDuffie,
Kim Murdock, Cathy Musselman, Frances Parsons, Janice Poindexter, Bruce Poole,
Joseph Sesay, George White

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Sunday, September 17, 2023

Sermon Title: “Branching Out In Trust”

Rev. Matt Roberts

Text: Jeremiah 29:1-14

Sunday Morning Worship In Person and
Online at 11:00 AM

September 13, 2023