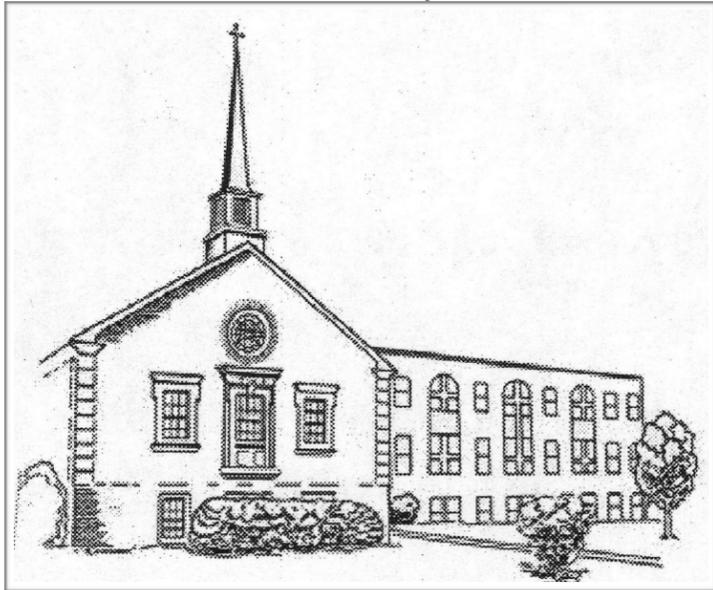


Seeking God ● Serving Others
BRADDOCK Baptist Church



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Every Week:

Sundays
 9:30a.m Fellowship
 9:45a.m Sunday School
 10:45a.m. Prayer
 11:00a.m Worship Service

Mondays
 6:30 p.m. Young Adults
 Small

Tuesdays
 12 p.m. Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays
 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
 6:30 p.m. Children's Class
 7:30 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

Fridays
 6 p.m. First Friday Fellowship
 6:30 p.m. OPEG (First Friday)

Saturdays
 9 a.m. Exercise
 10 a.m. ESL Classes
 12p.m. GED Class

Mother's Day Out
 Monday-Friday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Continue In Our Yearly Bible Reading

FEBRUARY

DATE	MORNING	EVENING	DATE	MORNING	EVENING
1	Ex 27, 28	Ma 21:1-22	16	Le 19, 20	Ma 27:51-66
2	Ex 29, 30	Ma 21: 23-46	17	Le 21, 22	Ma 28
3	Ex 31, 32, 33	Ma 22: 1-22	18	Le 23, 24	Mk 1: 1-22
4	Ex 34, 35	Ma 22: 23-45	19	Le 25	Mk 1: 23-45
5	Ex 36, 37, 38	Ma 23: 1-22	20	Le 26, 27	Mk 2
6	Ex 39, 40	Ma 23: 23-39	21	Nu 1, 2	Mk 3:1-19
7	Le 1, 2, 3	Ma 24: 1-28	22	Nu 3, 4	Mk 3: 20-35
8	Le 4, 5	Ma 24: 29-51	23	Nu 5, 6	Mk 4: 1-20
9	Le 6, 7	Ma 25:1-30	24	Nu 7, 8	Mk 4: 21-41
10	Le 8, 9, 10	Ma 25: 31-46	25	Nu 9, 10, 11	Mk 5: 1-20
11	Le 11, 12	Ma 26: 1-25	26	Nu 12, 13, 14	Mk 5: 21-43
12	Le 13	Ma 26: 26-50	27	Nu 15, 16	Mk 6: 1-29
13	Le 14	Ma 26: 51-75	28	Nu 17, 18, 19	Mk 6: 30-56
14	Le 15, 16	Ma 27: 1-26	29	Nu 20, 21, 22	Mk 7: 1-13
15	Le 17, 18	Ma 27: 27-50			

***Note - When February has only twenty-eight days, read the portion for the 29th on the 28th.

LIFE AT BRADDOCK

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The BRIDGE

Building Responsible Individuals Demonstrating Godliness to Everyone

Corder Note

What a joy it is to sit this morning and write to you. My mind is racing to this upcoming Saturday when Tim and Terry Stockdale will renew their vows after 40 years of marriage. My attention also goes back to a couple of weeks ago when JJ was preparing his sermon in Revelation 2 concerning the Church in Ephesus. A glorious church that JJ pointed out had many, many good qualities, they did things they were instructed to do by "The Apostle Paul", decades earlier. Things that would assist them in being better people, living in a manner that would assure them greater success in some areas of life. There is a lot to be said about hard work and persistence, Jesus in Revelation is also tells his church they display a hatred for wickedness, and a willingness to endure suffering, well done!

Revelation 2:2
"I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance."

JJ and I while discussing his sermon this past month, also took a look at a sketch (Wedding album if you please) of the same church approximately 30 years earlier. This church in Ephesus, and the church today and throughout the ages has a beautiful video of the marriage one dreams of, one hopes theirs will always look like. Most enter their marriages believing that they will be the ones to always show Christ like love and kindness to one another, their marriage will be the example of the ideal.

But the truth is that over 50% of the marriages in the U.S. end in divorce, and many of the remaining are just go through the motion; much like the church in Ephesus. Jesus gives us clear direction on how to assure ourselves, happy marriages and keep up a dynamic relationship with God too! For many years, I would teach a marriage renewal course that would cover about 10 weeks of material and culminate in couples on a Sunday evening standing in a ceremonial, retaking of their wedding vows and refreshing commitment and love for one another.

For the ten weeks we would hear testimonies and teach much on how to recuperate, reintroduce, return and preserve the love couples entered their marriages with. I remember one of the first things I would tell them in the class; "the Bonds of marriage, pay great dividends, but only if one keeps up the interest!" In the wedding album we view in Ephesians 5, we are shown that husbands are to do their best to be like Christ to their wives, 5:26 "to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word," Many times in a marriage one or the other is called upon to clean up after the other, to present them in the best light we can. We are not called to point out all the dirt on our spouses. Yet we are called to apply spot remover and cover blemishes that would not allow them shine.

How are we to do this, LOVE, love we are told covers the multitude of sins. If we go with the definition of sin as "missing the mark", we will find it often easy to realize, that the spot one hit was not their intended target. Our spouse like most of us would be aiming for the bull's eye- but found missing. They most likely wanted to do better, be kinder, to come across glimmering, but fell short. We have a unique opportunity, to not shine an accusatory light on their short comings but rather like Jesus to his bride the church;²⁷ to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.²⁸ In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives (Eph. 5).

Tim and Terry Stockdale's 40th year or the Church throughout the ages is not perfect, but is loved and presented as glowing for the joy of being together because of Christ in it!!!

Let us love one another,
Pastor Timothy
 Senior Pastor

Sunday School

Hello and welcome to February the month of Valentine's Day! A day when the greatest power in the universe is celebrated. To find out more about this greatest power and gift from God open your Bible and read John 3:16 and 1 Corinthians chapter 13 -- "The Love Chapter." Ponder again what Love is really all about.

In adult and young adult Sunday school we begin the final four lessons in the Book of Acts; the last four lessons of our Winter quarter of study, Acts chapters 20 through 28. Come and enjoy these final lessons in Acts written by the apostle Luke. Our Spring quarter will find us studying writings of the apostle Paul in the books of 1st and 2nd Corinthians. Come and enjoy these awesome lessons inspired by God Himself!



Invite your neighbors and friends and be a part of sharing The Love of God. And remember there are classes for all ages.

"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." (1st Corinthians 13:13)

God Bless You,
Gary Moore
 Sunday School Director

Associate Pastor

Happy February Braddock!

This is the month of love; not only because of Valentine's Day, but it's also Alyssa and my own first anniversary! What a joy it has been getting to share our first year of marriage together with this church body. Thank you to those who reached out to us with wisdom, advice, and even provision through gifts and time.

But what is love truly? The Word of God tells us that love is laying down your life for one another. Christ exemplified this love most wholly in His death, burial, and resurrection. This means the Gospel is love. This month of love I pray that we as a church will return to the Gospel. This is not a condemnation, it is a simple fact that human nature causes redeemed saints to turn from the truth of the Gospel and to go seek satisfaction in idols.

The book of 1 John tells us that if we truly love God we will keep His commandments. Think about that this month. If you are "keeping God's commandments" in order to earn His love you will burn yourself out, and this isn't love. For instance, when you go to buy a Valentine's Day gift for someone... if you do it because you want to earn that person's love, then there is a missing component in that relationship (that missing component is mutual love). But if you take this example and reapply to it 1 John, when you realize the amazing love God had for you in the Gospel and has for you presently and for eternity to come you will not be burdened by His commandments. You will fall in love with the God of the universe and serving Him and putting away idols will be a joy.

Happy February Braddock, and in the closing words of 1 John; "Little children, guard yourselves from idols."

In His service,
JJ Engelbrecht, Associate Pastor
 @ Braddock Baptist Church

BBC Board of Directors

In January, the following items were discussed:

- The decision was made not to fill the Board Seat that will be vacant when Diane Carr leaves the area in January 2018.
- The Board agrees that the Sexual Harassment Safe Person is now Jody Dunning (was Diane Carr).
- The Board commends Emily Corder on performing various church activities, such as implementing the Church Directory App and updating the Bulletin Boards, church calendars, emails, etc.
- Started to set up a way to submit contributions to BBC, Inc on line via PayPal starting in 2018.
- Reviewed amount pledged and received through end of 2017 for the Capital Campaign: We have received \$412,544 in pledges. In addition to the \$200,000 on hand at the beginning of our capital campaign, we have received another \$398,582.04 for a total of \$598,582.04. Not all monies received were pledged.
- Reviewed bid for Architectural drawings; signed the contract.
- Reaching out to the BBC Security Team to attend an upcoming security conference as well as contact Fairfax County Police to do a security assessment.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy El-Naggar, Church Clerk

February Birthdays

- 2 Dallas Rodriguez
- 7 Christopher Marshall
- 11 Janine Murphy
- 15 Thomas Perry
Wendy Perry
- 16 Virginia Owens
- 21 Sandy Shifflett
- 22 Diane Carr
- 24 Charlene Bowser

February Anniversaries

- 18 JJ & Alyssa Engelbrecht
- 19 Field & Mary Wimberly

Stewardship

2017 year-end contribution statements were handed out after church on January 28, 2018, or were mailed the last week of January. If you didn't receive yours by the 2nd week in February and you want a copy, please contact Jody Dunning or Gary Moore.

Also there are still a few 2018 envelopes that haven't been picked up outside the Church Office. To ensure that you receive your correct

Golden Gate Bridge,

Alyssa Engelbrecht is known as our handy dandy airline expert. Her office in the sky provides her with the opportunity to visit new cities and countries. While traveling two years ago she took this picture after leaving the SFO Airport. This bridge was originally suggested in 1920 and was not approved for building until 1933. It was purchased from the same company that made the materials for the Brooklyn Bridge. If you have any questions about sources or would like to forward a picture please email eecorder@braddockbaptistchurch.org. This photo was taken by Alyssa on 01-23-16

