



TOMAHAWK
Baptist Church
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October 2010 Newsletter

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CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor,
Dr. Dan Bagby

Associate Pastor,
Rev. Mary Mann

Interim Youth Minister,
Rev. Drew Collier

Youth Intern,
Emily Hodges

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Deacons for  
October 2010:

Pat Jennings  
Clyde Cottrell



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| <b>October 3:</b>          | Communion Sunday<br>Baptism in the 11:00 a.m. worship service                                                              |
| <b>October 6 &amp; 13:</b> | Church-Wide Budget "listening sessions"<br>Wednesday nights 5:45—6:15 p.m.                                                 |
| <b>October 12:</b>         | Deacons Meeting—7:00 p.m.                                                                                                  |
| <b>October 17:</b>         | Business Meeting (Budget Proposal for 2011)<br>6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall                                            |
| <b>October 18:</b>         | Feed the Homeless—9:00 a.m.— 1:00 p.m.<br>Guys and Dolls (AARP Driving Class)                                              |
| <b>October 24:</b>         | <b>Children's Sunday</b> —11:00 a.m. worship service<br>2nd Community Conversation—6:00 p.m.<br>Led by our Transition Team |
| <b>October 25:</b>         | Guys and Dolls—10:30 a.m.                                                                                                  |
| <b>November 6:</b>         | Fall Festival<br>11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.                                                                                      |

*For more information on these and other church events and meetings,  
please see articles on the following pages.*

## Associate Pastors' Page



**Welcome, Drew Collier, our new Interim Youth Minister.**

**YOUTH GROUP:**

Please check the church website and watch for mailings on fall events!

### **October Dates for Your Calendar**

- \*Oct. 8-10—Coalters Camping Trip (more details available through email updates)
- \*Oct. 30—Halloweenie Roast at the Waldrop's house (5:30—8:30 p.m.)

**Sunday Night Youth Group has moved** to Wednesday nights and will go from 7-8:00 pm following Youth Choir. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall.



### **Music Notes**

Rev. Mary Mann, Associate Pastor  
*Music & Administration*  
 mmann@tomahawkchurch.org



#### **Wednesday Nights...**

6:15 p.m.     **Rehearsals**—Littlest Angels, Cherubs, Choral Kids, Youth Choir, Praise Team

7:00 p.m.     Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

We are beginning rehearsals for our Christmas cantata already! We will be singing "**A Baby Changes Everything**" this year. There are drama parts to this musical. If you participated in rehearsals last year and would like to be a part of the drama group again this year, please talk to Mary. If you want to sing with us, just come to any Wednesday night rehearsal and join us!

*If you are interested in being a part of any musical group at Tomahawk, please come to a rehearsal any time and check us out!*

# Interim Pastor's Page

## MOTIONS FROM PERSONNEL COMMITTEE PASSED AT BUSINESS MEETING!

September 26, 2010

Upon Clay's death, Mary Mann took on a significant amount of administrative duties while continuing her job as Associate Pastor of Music. She has consistently worked a minimum of 40 hours per week since June, 2009. With Michael's resignation effective 8/31/10, Mary is required to oversee additional administrative duties.

*The Personnel Committee moved and the following motion was approved unanimously:*

That Mary Mann's position become full-time effective September 1, 2010 and her title be adjusted to read **Associate Pastor, with specific duties in music and administration**. This will be continued until such time as the church or Mary re-evaluates her position and hours of work. It is understood that as a fulltime minister at Tomahawk Baptist Church, Mary shall receive compensatory salary as well as annuity benefits.

*In regard to our Youth Ministry and the vacancy we have with Michael Sepulveda's resignation the Personnel Committee recommended the following motion, which also passed without dissent:*

That Emily Hodges' part time Youth intern position be extended from September 1, 2010 until December 31, 2010, with a contract salary rate of \$1000.00 per month with no additional benefits. Emily will work approximately 20 hours per week in addition to attending all youth activities (Emily knows our youth, is trusted by them and has helped plan most of the fall 2010 Youth activities.)

*A second motion in regard to our Youth Ministry also was approved:*

That Tomahawk Baptist Church employ the Rev. Drew Collier as **Interim Part-Time** Youth Minister beginning October 4, 2010 at an annual salary of \$21,500 with no additional benefits. This part time position will be 20 hours per week and can be terminated by either party with written notice.

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In addition to these timely decisions, the church also approved the **Budget Committee's motion for approving a refinancing of the church mortgage** for 11 remaining years at 5.61% through Union First Market Bank using the church property as required collateral. The committee was authorized to proceed with the proposed financial plan.  
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## NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The Budget Committee, under Sherry Graves's leadership, has been preparing the 2011 Church Budget for an October 17 vote by the congregation. In order to interpret new budget details and priorities, the Committee will hold a couple of "listening sessions" with the congregation in October: Wednesdays, October 6 and 13 at supper (5:45-6:15pm) . Please pray for God's wisdom as Tomahawk looks to an important next year--financially, and pastorally! Dan Bagby

## TRANSITION TEAM LOOKS TO NEXT COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

Your Transition Team has reviewed the first nine "table talks" on the church's past, and now plans an **October 24, 5PM "table talk" on the present!** Please consider the question: "What do you think Tomahawk Baptist Church most needs today?" Note the earlier time frame, and plan to come and bring your needed thoughts to this important "look at the present!" There will be food!



**October 18 & 19**

**8:45 AM**

AARP Driving Class in Fellowship Hall  
Members \$12.00—non members \$14.00

**October 25—10:30 AM**

Special Guest David Whitlock

**November 16**

Signa Tours—Williamsburg, VA

Cost Per Person: \$68.00

Departs: Chippenham Hospital 9:00 AM

Returns: Chippenham Hospital 4:30 PM

Deadline October 1, 2010

Call Eunice Wolford with your reservation  
794-4651

### **8:30 Worship Service Nursery Workers**

To Mrs. Evelyn Whitlock, Mrs. Frances Gibson, Gloria Salmon, JoAnn & Taylor Wells: Thank you for your many years of dedication to our Sunday morning 8:30 nursery. You have been taking care of our children in our nurseries for many years.

Church members—please take the opportunity to say “thank you” when you have the chance. If you are able to and interested in helping with the 8:30 nursery ministry, please contact me, Valerie Swoap, at 639-7312. We would love to have you join this ministry, and we need a few new helpers. Thanks in advance for your help and support!

*Dear Tomahawk church family,*

*I would like to thank Tomahawk Baptist Church for choosing me to receive the 2010 Peachy B. Cheatham Scholarship. With this scholarship, I will strive to be the most successful student I can be at the College of William and Mary, and will continue to develop my Christian faith that Tomahawk Baptist Church has already laid the foundation for. Thank you very much for the 18 years of love and support.*

*Ryan Gryder*

## **October Dinner Menu**

### **October 6**

#### **ADULTS**

Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans  
Salad bar  
Desserts

#### **CHILDREN**

Grilled cheese sandwich & chips

### **October 13**

#### **ADULTS**

Barbeque Chicken, Au Gratin potatoes,  
Green peas  
Salad bar  
Desserts

#### **CHILDREN**

Hamburgers

### **October 20**

#### **ADULTS**

Baked Potato Bar  
Salad bar  
Desserts

#### **CHILDREN**

Chicken tenders, macaroni & cheese

### **October 27**

#### **ADULTS**

Baked ham, broccoli, baby potatoes

#### **CHILDREN**

Hot Dogs & macaroni & cheese

### **Church-Wide Community Conversations**

We need all church members to put these Sunday evening dates on your calendars:

**October 24**

**November 21**

At 6:00 p.m., around tables in the Fellowship Hall, with leadership from our Transition Team, we will discuss the present, and future of Tomahawk Baptist Church. This is an important time in our church's life, and our September conversation was a huge success. Please make it a priority to be here!



## Prayer Needs

*"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints" (Ephesians 6:18).*

### Tomahawk Baptist Church Members

Mildred Bellamy  
 Donna Bright  
 Virginia Cash  
 Charlie China  
 Gwen Coalter  
 Robert Eicher  
 Karen Hall  
 Jane Hartman  
 Marilyn Hendrick  
 Charles & Gail King  
 Rosa Martin  
 Helen Matthews  
 Lloyd Mawyer  
 Leona Mayhew  
 Lois Parsons  
 Susan Pulley  
 Eric Schardt  
 Bill Smith  
 Ruth Spaulding  
 Charles Taylor

### Serving in the Military

Sam Abbott-McCune - Kuwait  
 Dolph Davis - Caribbean  
 Chris Gillispi – Iraq  
 Jason Hehl – Korea  
 Ryan Hehl, Ft. Gordon, GA  
 Shanna Hehl – Ft. Gordon, GA  
 Lloyd Morris – Ft. Lee  
 Brian Pace – Iraq  
 Jacob Robertson – Ft. Lee  
 Kenny Tarrant – Ft. Braggs, NC

### Family and Friends of Tomahawk

Michael Bazemore  
 Carol & Ken Beckner  
 Joe Bellamy  
 Ellie Bouchard  
 Sandy Buhrman  
 Lindsey Burton & Family  
 Beth Carrigan  
 Kendra Cheatham  
 Mason Cook  
 Curtis Crostic  
 Russell Scott Everett  
 Matt Fereria & family  
 Shannon Gerace  
 Norman Gryder  
 Larry Hollister  
 Bob & Irene Hopson  
 Gwendolyn Hudlow  
 Butch Johnson  
 Daniel Jones  
 Karen Jordan  
 Ashleigh McDaniel  
 Mary Kate McLenagan  
 Al Moore, Jr.  
 Landon Morrill  
 Luther Mullens  
 Roy Richardson, Jr.  
 Burley Spivey  
 Thomas Swoap  
 Craig Urbano  
 Ber Vandermeer  
 Helen Wilt  
 Chris Wolfe  
 Glenda Wright

**"Lord, listen to your  
 children praying.  
 Send us love, send  
 us power, send us  
 grace."  
 - Ken Medema**

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Tomahawk Baptist Church is a moderately-minded Baptist church, affiliated with the Co-operative Baptist Fellowship, the Baptist General Association of Virginia and the Middle District Baptist Association. We are first and foremost a church that takes seriously our responsibility to be the Body of Christ in our world. With both large and small group opportunities, you are sure to find a place to serve, learn and worship. Tomahawk is a church family— a people of hope.

We're on the web:  
[www.tomahawkchurch.org](http://www.tomahawkchurch.org)



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