



TOMAHAWK
Baptist Church
A People of Hope since 1776

November 2010 Newsletter

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CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor,
Dr. Dan Bagby

Associate Pastor,
Music & Administration,
Rev. Mary Mann

Interim Youth Minister,
Rev. Drew Collier

Youth Intern,
Emily Hodges

Administrative Assistant,
Judy Young

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Deacons for  
November 2010:  
**Earl Cheatham**  
**Amy Dixon**

### November is Stewardship Emphasis Month

- November 2:** Tuesday, CARITAS Mission Project with Brandermill Church
- November 3:** Wednesday, 5:30 p.m., Pancake Supper
- November 6:** Saturday, 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.  
Fall Festival
- \*\*Remember that clocks FALL BACK one hour this evening\*\***
- November 7:** Worship at 11:00 a.m.  
8:30 a.m. worship suspended for the winter, beginning this Sunday
- November 7-14:** Bring CCHASM food donations to the Choir Room
- November 14-22:** Sunday — Monday  
Operation Christmas Child Shoebox collection
- November 21:** Sunday, 11:00 a.m.—Pledge Sunday  
6:00 p.m.—3rd Community Conversation led by the Transition Team—discussing our church's future
- November 24:** No Wednesday night activities
- November 25:** Thursday, 8:30 a.m.  
Thanksgiving Day Breakfast
- November 27:** Saturday, 10:00 a.m., Decorate the church for the Christmas season
- November 28:** Sunday, 11:00 a.m.  
Hanging of the Greens service

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

## Youth, Music and Children's Page

Dear Tomahawk Baptist Church Family,

I am so excited that you have invited me to spend this time with you. Thank you for the trust you have placed in me to allow me into this place to continue the important work that Michael and Emily have done with the youth. I can tell already that this congregation is one that values its young people and knows that effective ministry inevitably differs from one generation to the next. Thank you for recognizing that your youth like all others have specific needs, and for allowing me the honor of seeking to meet them! I am excited for the challenge, and looking forward to searching with you for what God's future holds for Tomahawk. I am certain that it is good!

For those of you whom I have not yet had the pleasure to speak with, allow me to tell you just a little bit about myself. My full name is Andrew Thomas Collier, and I am 27 years old. I am a native Richmonder, and was born and raised in Richmond's west end. I am a graduate of Freeman High School, and hold a B.A. in Philosophy from Christopher Newport University and an M.Div. from Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond. I've come to Tomahawk from a three year tenure at Derbyshire Baptist Church as Minister to Youth and Young Adults, and am excited to continue working as a minister to and advocate for young people. I also have a strong passion for doing the work of Mission, Christian Education/Spiritual Formation, and Pastoral Care and Counseling.

If you have questions for me, or would like to just drop by and say hello, you can now email me at [dcollier@tomahawkchurch.org](mailto:dcollier@tomahawkchurch.org), or feel free to call or drop by the church on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday. Your presence and your words are welcome! Thanks again for receiving me so warmly these last few weeks. I'll see you soon! —Drew Collier

### Music Notes

**"A Baby Changes Everything"** Drama Team rehearsals will be on the following dates:

Sundays, 4:30-6:00 p.m. — November 14, 21, 28; December 5, 12;

Friday, December 17, 6:00 p.m.

### **YOUTH CHOIR**

Youth Choir is working on new music that just came in!! We are looking to add more voices to our group as we prepare to lead music for Hanging of the Greens as well as the Advent Season. Come and join us on Wednesday nights at 6:15 in the choir loft.

### Children's Ministry Update

**Children's Sunday, October 24**, was a wonderful day! What a blessing our children are to the life and ministry of our church. Thank you parents, choir directors, teachers, mission leaders, and all other volunteers who help to shape the faith of our young ones. What they are learning now will make a difference in their lives forever.

### **FRIDAY NIGHT FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT – December 10 (Mark your calendars now!)**

Join us at Tomahawk for Family Movie Night. We will be showing "The Search For Santa Paws," a movie appropriate for any member of the family, especially the kids. We will provide the popcorn and sodas. You bring your favorite candy and a blanket or bean bag seat. Chairs will be available for those who want them. The movie will start promptly at 7:00pm. Arrive early (after 6:30pm) for popcorn, drinks and premium seating.

### WEEKLY CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

**Sunday School for ages birth – 5th grade: 9:50 a.m.**

**Extended Session for ages 3 – Kindergarten: 11:00 a.m. Sunday mornings**

**Children's Choir for ages 2 – 5th grade: 6:15 p.m., Wednesday nights**

**Mission Groups for children ages 3-5th grade: 7:00 p.m., Wednesday nights**

# Interim Pastor's Page

## **TRANSITION TEAM DIALOGUES**

Thanks to all of you who took the time and energy to participate in the second church wide dialogue on October 24. Thanks to you, we heard what members of the church are thinking and praying about as they consider Tomahawk's needs today! Our last Sunday evening dialogue will focus on the future of Tomahawk & God's vision and call ahead as a community of believers: Save the date again: November 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:00pm! Please continue to pray for your Transition Team as they meet to prepare the congregation for its next mission under God's leadership.

## **THE STEWARDSHIP OF LIFE, TALENTS, AND RESOURCES**

During the month of November our worship will consider God's talents and gifts in our life (7<sup>th</sup>), our personal resources (14<sup>th</sup>), and a season of gratitude (21<sup>st</sup>) for all we have received. On Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, we will celebrate our financial resources and offer a pledged commitment for the support of the 2011 church budget, which has been approved in business meeting as \$426, 623.00. Join us in prayer as we reaffirm our covenants with the God Who called us to be the church in this corner of the kingdom!

## **8:30 WORSHIP SERVICE UPDATE**

Our 8:30AM Sunday Worship has been suspended, beginning Sunday, November 7, to be evaluated in purpose and focus during the months ahead. Thank you, Harold McCabe, our faithful usher, musicians Steve Parker and Brent Walker, and our regular worshipers of that Sunday morning worship hour!

—Dan Bagby

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## Other Ministry Updates

**DEACONS MEETING:** Tuesday, November 9, 7:00 p.m.

The deacons will be meeting on the second Tuesday of every month.

## **ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND MINISTRY COORDINATORS**

Please make sure to call the church office if you would like to schedule committee meetings or special events. We can keep a better calendar, and make sure we are not scheduling events on top of each other, if we run everything through the church office first. Also, please allow Judy Young, our Administrative Assistant, to add dates and events to the calendar in the church office hallway.

## **FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

The Personnel Committee has been working to fill the Administrative Assistant Position and is pleased to have Judy Young in the church office. Her hours are Monday to Thursday, 9:15 – 4:30. Please stop by if you are at the church during these hours to introduce yourself. If you call the church office you will have the chance to meet her by telephone. Welcome, Judy.

We also want to make sure you know that Drew Collier is new to our staff as Part-time Interim Youth Minister. Drew works 20 hours per week with our Youth program. If you have not had the opportunity to meet him make sure to stop and introduce yourself. You may also want to visit him in his office to see cool fish tank!!



## **2010 Fall Festival**

**Church-wide and Community Event—Bring a friend!**

**Saturday, November 6**

**11:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.**

**-Cake Walk-Bingo-Hay Ride-Games-Fire Truck-Police Car-  
Horse Rides-Face Painting-**

**ATTENTION ALL BAKERS!**

**Please consider donating cookies, cakes, pies etc. for the cakewalk.**

**ATTENTION ALL NON-BAKERS!**

**Store bought baked items appreciated too!!**

**Any questions or to volunteer--contact Beth Moore or Betsy Harrell.**



## **Shoebox Collection Center at Tomahawk**

**Sunday, November 14 — Monday, November 22**

**Daily Hours of Operation—10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. (Sundays—12:30 —6:00 p.m.)**

Please speak with Jim Cosby or Joyce Ward if you would like to help with the collection center during that week. If you want to provide more than one shoebox, feel free to either pick up another one from church, as supplies last, or you are encouraged to use a plastic shoebox.



## **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**

## **November Dinner Menu**

### **November 3**

*Pancakes and sausage*

### **November 10**

*ADULTS—Baked beef lasagna, garlic bread*

*CHILDREN—chicken tenders, mac & cheese*

### **November 17**

*ADULTS—Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans*

*CHILDREN—cheeseburgers & chips*

### **November 24**

*No Wednesday night activities*



## **Decorating the Church for the Christmas Season**

**Saturday, November 27**

**10:00 a.m.**

All help is welcomed and appreciated! If you have this Saturday morning free, please be here to help us prepare the church for the Christmas season. Please contact Beth Moore, chair of the Beautification Committee, with any questions. Our Hanging of the Greens service is Sunday, November 28. This is the first Sunday of Advent.

## **Youth Ministry Dates**

**Add to your calendars!**

**Youth Lock-In: November 12-13**

Meet at the church at 10:00 p.m. Friday night.

**Youth Christmas Party**

December 5

More details to come!

Contact Drew or Emily for more information.



## 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  
Ozzie Blas  
Donna Bright  
Virginia Cash  
Charlie China  
Gwen Coalter  
Sue Connell  
Karen Hall  
Jane Hartman  
Marilyn & Ray Hendrick  
Charles & Gail King  
Helen Matthews  
Lloyd Mawyer  
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  
Erna Bennett  
Ellie Bouchard  
Sandy Buhrman  
Lindsey Burton & Family  
Beth Carrigan  
Bertha Caspio  
Tom Carter  
Mason Cook  
Curtis Crostic  
Wesley Crostic  
Russell Scott Everett  
Matt Fereria & family  
Shannon Gerace  
Norman Gryder  
Larry Hollister  
Bob & Irene Hopson  
Gwendolyn Hudlow  
Butch Johnson  
Daniel Jones  
Karen Jordan  
Judy Meador  
Ashleigh McDaniel  
Billie Jean McKlung  
Mary Kate McLenagan  
Al Moore, Jr.  
Luther Mullens  
Roy Richardson, Jr.  
Christie and Pat Rowe  
Kammeron Shannon  
Burley Spivey  
Thomas Swoap  
Craig Urbano  
Ber Vandermeer  
Helen Wilt

**"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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