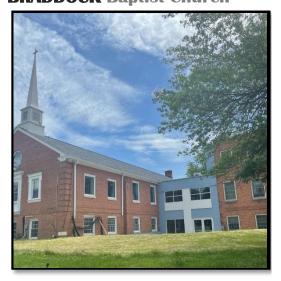
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Seeking God • Serving Others BRADDOCK Baptist Church



6519 **Braddock Road** Alexandria, VA 22312 703-**750-2962**

Regular Gatherings:

Sunda	ays
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On YouTube: "Braddo	ck Baptist Church"
10:55 a.m	Worship Service
9:45 a.m	Bible Study

Wednesdays

7:00 p.m	Prayer	Meeting
https://join.skype.c	om/r07C9eu	D5UWY

Friday's

2:30 p.m	Drive-Thru Prayer
4:45 p.m	Evangelism

Every First Sunday

6:00 p.m....Fellowship Dinner

Braddock Preschool

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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Building Responsible Individuals Demonstrating Godliness to Everyone

Pastor's Note

Can you believe it? Half of the year 2025 is over. Time seems to be flying by, and it is.

Church, I want to encourage you that as the days become more evil, God's removal of His Bride becomes closer. But in the meantime, Peter says in 2nd Peter 3:3-7, scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." For this they willfully forget that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water. But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgement and perdition of ungodly men. NKJV

As we see the fulfillment of this scripture before our eyes with people saying, Haven't Christians been saying forever that the Lord Jesus Christ is returning since He came. And the world begins to mock the thought of accountability and responsibility in our lives. That is why so few desire accountability or responsibility today. The world wants to do what is "right in their own eyes". They become their "own god".

But Peter goes on in 2nd Peter 3:8, and 9, "But beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. (9) The Lord is not slack (or slow) concerning His promise as some count slackness (slowness), but is longsuffering (patient) toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance." NKJV

Saints, may we see what is before us, the privilege and responsibility of serving Jesus Christ. So, in response to what Jesus Christ has done for us in thanksgiving and praise......will we GO (Evangelize) the world, will we Grow in our discipleship, will we Love Him and our community? This is NOT optional if our desire is to be holy, to be sanctified and to be more like Jesus. Do you desire this in your life?

There will be many opportunities before you to serve Him in your daily life, in the church and outside the church so be sure we GO, GROW and LOVE. That is His desire for you!

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." (Romans 15:13) Live the abundant life. Hallelujah!

Under His Grace, Pastor Mitch

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Board of Directors

Hello again and welcome to the second quarter of 2025, July, August, September.

I think we would all agree that our time of spring was really beautiful. I hope we are now all prepared for The Lazy days of summertime. As we see already we've jumped into the heat and humidity of the summer months. Drink lots of water and don't overdue time working outside in the heat. Most of all I pray we would all be sure to continue spending quiet time each day with The Lord. Listen for what he would like to tell you as you read His Word, pray or listen to His still small voice as He talks with you. Don't let being on vacation or anything rob you of your daily time together. God loves to spend time with us where ever we are. He wants us to know Him more and more. Peter tells us in 2 Peter 3:18; "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever! Amen." And how do we do this? When we spend regular time in God's Word and prayer and allow the power of the Holy Spirit to work in us our faith and knowledge will grow. So not only in this summertime, but ALWAYS spend focused time to pray and read the Bible. Pray and ask God to help you grow in grace as you allow His Word to help you know Him better and love Him more. Part of the above taken from Lifeway Open Windows.

In closing I pray each of you will have a very happy and safe summer season. "I'll see you in September." Just kidding, I look forward to seeing you all on Sundays for Bible Study and Worship.

And remember, share and INVITE someone to attend with you

HAPPY 4th of July and HAPPY Labor Day

God Bless You Always, Gary Moore

July-September Birthdays

July

08 Janett Smith

10 Ashish Debral

11 Gerardo DeUgarte

17 Joyce Valle

19 Sarah Debral

23 Mary Berry

29 Davida Raharinaivo

August

05 Penelope Gesin

08 Amy El-Naggar

15 William Bennett

28 Bobbie Rivenbark

30 Bob Chumpitaz

September

05 Gary Moore

06 David El-Naggar

15 Lindsey Ramirez

18 Ashish Subedi

21 Joshua Aguilar

21 Brenda Rodriguez



Deacons Corner

Dear Braddock,

On July 4th, we celebrate the 249th birthday of our nation and all the precious freedoms that we enjoy as Americans. God, we pray that you would move mightily over our land and bring about a spirit of repentance, unity & peace. In Romans 6:22, we are challenged, "Now you are free from the power of sin & have become slaves of God. Now you do those things that lead to holiness and result in eternal life."

When our debt was paid by the death of Jesus, the truest form of freedom was declared over our soul. Our chains to sin's debts, constraints and bonds were broken and our liberty was granted. We are no longer caught up or entangled in the burden of sin but gain God's favor under the lifegiving grace of God's new covenant through Jesus Christ.

Even when Jesus returned to heaven, He left us the Holy Spirit because where His spirit is, there is true freedom until we are reunited with Him. When we believe, we receive the Holy Spirit and this freedom. In 2 Corinthians 3:17 we are assured that "now the Lord is the Spirit and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." The Bible speaks much about this freedom. Psalms 119:32 says, "I run in the path of your commands, for you have set my heart free." Likewise, John 8:32b states "the truth will set you free", and John 8:36 declares that "if the Son (Jesus) sets you free, you are free indeed."

The current (until Fall 2025) Deacon family assignments are as follows:

Elaine Comer Pastors & Deacons

Roselle Aguilar & Chris Stankiewicz Letters A through D

Sunny Masih & Feh Andriamasinoro Letters E through P

Stephanie Treat & Claude Creger Letters Q through

Please contact Jonathan (703-750-2962) if your contact information has changed, i.e. address, email or phone number so that your Deacons can stay in touch with their BBC families.

Elaine Comer Chairman of the Deacons

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Doxa Youth Ministry

In Scripture, the word doxa ($\delta\delta\xi\alpha$) is the Greek word for "glory." It speaks of the weight, worth, majesty, and brilliance of God. When we speak of the *glory of God*, we are speaking of His supreme value and unmatched beauty. Romans 11:36 reminds us, "For from Him, and through Him, and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen."

As a youth ministry, we are taking this truth seriously—*all things, all for God's glory*. Whether in our teaching, our conversations, our decisions, or even our fun, we want our students to understand what it means to live in light of *doxa*—God's glory. This is more than a name; it is a call to worship.

To that end, we've launched our journey through the book of Proverbs—God's wisdom for real life. Proverbs calls young people to grow in wisdom, to fear the Lord, and to turn away from the enticing but deadly path of folly. "The fear of Yahweh is the beginning of knowledge; Fools despise wisdom and discipline" (Proverbs 1:7).

In a world that tempts our teens with countless distractions and counterfeit glories, our aim is to root them in God's truth—to help them see that the wise life is the *God-glorifying* life. Proverbs is not just moral advice—it's worship fuel. It teaches us that wisdom is not just about doing what's smart; it's about living in reverent submission to the God who made us, saved us, and calls us to Himself.

We hope this new name, *Doxa*, will not only resonate with our youth but also stir the hearts of every generation in our church. As Paul exhorted Timothy, "Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but show yourself as a model to those who believe..." (1 Tim. 4:12). Our students are not the church of tomorrow—they are part of the church today, and we long to see them shine with God's glory now.

Pray with us as we disciple these young men and women—to live wisely, walk humbly, and glorify God in all things.

In Humility, **Brother Jon**

Stewardship

The Stewardship Committee is pleased to report that our auditors have found that our 2025 financial reporting system presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial operations of the Church. We thank Amy, our Treasurer, and Jody, Assistant Treasurer, for their work in supporting the Church.

Planning for the 2026 budget year will start this summer. SMEs (e.g., buildings and grounds, nursery, etc.) should contact the Treasurer, Amy El-Naggar, or Stewardship Chair, Harry Finley, should they have any planned 2026 expenditures or questions. If you would like a project considered for next year, please contact the appropriate SME by August 31, 2025. If you are not sure who the correct SME may be, please check with your deacon.

Giving

You can continue to give by sending your checks, payable to Braddock Baptist Church, to our address, 6519 Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22312. You can also give online through our website! At the top of the screen, click the "Give" tab. We also have an offering plate in front of the Sanctuary for those joining us in person. Thank you for your continued giving and obedience to Christ.

Events

You can find all events on our website via the "events" tab under "About Us." Feel free to click on any event to learn more! If you want to stay in the know on what's going on at Braddock, go to your app store and download Church Center! Follow the prompts to find your church at Braddock!

