

The Light

July 2022



First Union Baptist Church

Established 1868

Pastor Frank Lomax, III

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life"
John 8:12

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Congratulations!

JaMel Allen

- Biology/Pre-med major at Eastern Mennonite University
 - Fall 2021- 3.59 GPA
 - Spring 2022- 3.0 GPA

McKena Allen

- Principal's list for A honor roll all 4 marking periods
 - National Junior Honor Society
 - Termon Minor, Jr. Sports Award

Morgan Allen

- Finished 2nd year at the University of Virginia.
- Started clinicals this past semester and finished with all A's.
- Elected Vice President of UVA's chapter of the National Black Nurse's Association.

Caeson Barnes

- Super Reader Award
 - All E's on last report card
 - Soccer and basketball team
- Honor Camper of the Week at YMCA camp

We are so proud of our youth and young people!!

Cooper Barnes

- All A Honor Roll
 - Spectacular Student award
- Soccer team - goalie the past 2 seasons
 - Basketball team
- Bob Foley Basketball Camper of the Week, earning a scholarship to camp

Sadie Brooks

- Graduated from pre-K and is headed to Kindergarten
- Received the Superstar citizen award

Cameron Carroll

- A/B honor Roll
- Promoted to 5th grade

Benjamin Cox

- Dean's List at Liberty University
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars

Melvin Cox, III

- Graduated from pre-K
- Headed to Kindergarten in the fall

Malachi Lyons

- Honor Roll 2nd, 3rd, and 4th quarters at Laburnum Elementary School
- Safety Patrol, Student Council, and Yearbook committee member
- Rising 6th grade at Moody Middle School

Tyler Spratley

- A/B Honor Roll
- Leadership Award

Deja Taylor

- South Texas College of Law Houston, studying Family Law
 - Student Ambassador
- Director of community service of Black Law Student Association
- Intern at Harris County Attorney's Office
- Legal Intern in the Child Protective Service

Owen Walker

- All E's and 1 S last report card
- Promoted to 1st grade
- Played basketball and soccer

Amaya Wilkerson

- Straight As
- Blue Ridge Governor's School
- Advanced College Academy
 - Track team

Samiyah Winston

- A/B honor roll
- Promoted to 4th grade

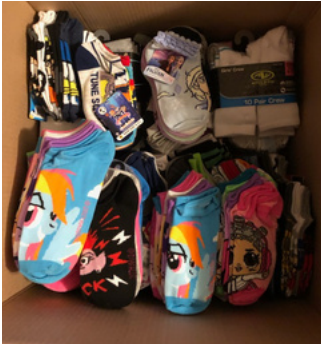


Vacation Bible School 2022

The classes were full, lessons taught, crafts created and fun was had by all. Thanks to those who came out for our VBS and for everyone who helped plan for the week. We had two full nights of classes and closed out with our traditional "Fun Night" with a cookout and games. What a blessed time!



First Union Gives Back



Christmas Sock Drive 2021

We collected a total of 632 pairs of socks...that is 211 for children, 173 for women, and 245 for the men. There are 34 women and 42 men at the Envoy nursing home and everyone was able to get 2 pairs! Goochland Cares got 61 for women, 78 for men and all 211 pairs for children. We have some left over that will be donated to Caritas. Thanks to everyone who participated, it was truly appreciated. Let's plan to do it again this year.



Goochland Cares Food Drives

1,092 lbs., 900 lbs., 1,265 lbs....Curious what these amounts are? It's how much food First Union has donated to Goochland Cares. Our members always steps up to help, even adding clothing donations for the clothes closet. Thanks to the Men's Ministry for organizing and delivering the goods.



Sisters Dea. Ellen Shelton and Margaret Johnson with a car load of donations



Christmas on the Lot

As we prepared to close out 2021, the Planning Committee organized another festive Christmas on the Lot experience. What a joyous time to fellowship and celebrate the birth of Jesus. Pastor Lomax brought a message, we lifted songs of the season together and donated for Goochland Cares and the sock drive. Despite the chilly temperatures, we left warmed by the spirit and hot chocolate.

Thanks for your Dedication to First Union!



Peggy Snead, Barbara G. Shelton and Rhonda Brooks were honored for many years of service in their positions. We are thankful for their commitment as they pass the torch.

Just a thought from Rev. Carroll:

What would happen if we would compliment each other instead of compete with one another?

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Birthdays and Celebrations

Happy 21st Pastor and People Anniversary!!



June

6/8 Jeanette Winston
6/12 Kaitlyn Winston
6/12 Clarence Smith
6/12 Peggy Snead
6/19 James Randolph
6/20 Robinette Allen
6/23 Dea. Ralph Redmon
6/26 Kathy Ross
6/27 Mary Carrington

July

7/3 Roy & Lucy Norris
7/5 Dea. Michael & Brenda Allen
7/15 Steve & Andrea Mills
7/22 John & Diane Turner
7/23 Raynard Payne
7/24 Khayla Leabough
7/24 Shirley Smith
7/29 Connie Jackson
7/29 Pamela Williams
7/29 Winston Ross
7/30 Steve Mills
7/31 Marcus Allen
7/31 Diane Allen

August

8/4 Jordan Robinson
8/4 Ashley Snead
8/4 Gertie Wood
8/7 Ellen Shelton
8/10 Sandra Leabough
8/11 Yasmin Phillips
8/12 Elsie Hill
8/12 Morgan Allen
8/13 Leola Payne
8/13 Alvin Snead
8/14 Alfreda Turner
8/16 Cathy Lomax
8/16 Amber Robinson
8/16 Rev. Lonnie Johnson Sr.
8/16 Corey & LaQueta Barnes
8/17 Sandra S. Robinson
8/21 Benjamin Cox
8/26 Waverly Owens
8/26 Lorie Harris



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**Worship With Us in Person
and Virtually!!**

Sunday

9:30am Sunday School
11am Worship Service

Wednesday

7:15pm Bible Study