



CHURCH PROFILE



7741 Terrapin Cove Road,
Gloucester Point, VA 23062

“As you go, make disciples....” Matthew 28:19

On April 7, 1957, Gloucester Point Baptist Church held its first worship service in the Pine Grove Inn located on the southern tip of the Middle Peninsula, referred to as Gloucester Point and positioned on the northern bank of the York River. The vision of the Peninsula Baptist Association was largely responsible for the “new mission work” in Gloucester Point - sending us pastors of great faith to sow the seeds, providing the necessary financial aid and in securing the original church meeting place.

On June 3, 1973, there occurred a ground-breaking ceremony on Terrapin Cove Road for the house of worship we continue to call our church home.

Since our humble beginning in 1957, it has been our purpose to provide opportunity for all who become part of our fellowship to share their faith in Jesus Christ with others, both at home and unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

For more information about the history of Gloucester Point Baptist Church click on this link:
http://www.gloptbaptist.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/2019_GPBC-60th-Anniversary-History_Final.pdf

Every congregation develops distinctive characteristics. We have always had a heart for missions. This is seen by our witness to individuals as well as our enthusiastic support for mission efforts around the world. Interwoven with this larger purpose is another thread: we have come to be known as a “caring church”. We reach out to the community with welcoming arms and visitors feel the accepting love of our fellowship.

Our Vision is to so become the Household of God that those who enter our fellowship shall find Him and through provided worship, study, training and service, shall find all that is needed for spiritual growth.

The Mission of Gloucester Point Baptist Church is to: **Love God, Love Others and Serve in the World** which is depicted in the Mariner's Compass inscribed on our hall floor.



We provide ministries that show how we:

Love God through Sunday School & Worship, Music Ministry, Wednesday Night Bible Study and Prayer Meetings.

Love Others through our Deacons & Deaconesses, C.A.R.E., Children & Youth Programs/Activities, Sports Camp, Vacation Bible School, Advent Bible School, American Heritage Girls and Trail Life.

Serve in the World through WMU, Mission Trips, Benevolence Program, Operation Christmas Child, AA Meeting Place and Polling Place.

We have 350 members with an average worship attendance of 100 persons (post COVID). Our membership is comprised of 10% children & youth; 30% young adults; 60% senior adults.

Established neighborhoods surround the church; a quaint beach with large fishing pier and the Virginia Institute of Marine Science is less than a mile away; all providing rich diversity to the surrounding community.

We are affiliated with Peninsula Baptist Association, the Baptist General Association of Virginia and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Our staff consists of a full-time Pastor and the part-time staff are the Music Director, Children & Youth Coordinator, Pianist and Secretary.

The Primary Goal (based on survey results): *Seek and follow God's will* as we endeavor to reach the lost, expand the Kingdom, and fill the Lord's House.

Worship at Gloucester Point Baptist Church is designed to focus our love and passion for Christ through music, reading of Scripture, prayer, preaching and the Lord's Supper. Our current worship style is traditional – classic hymns and choir; formal order of service; follows Southern Baptist theological guidelines.