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Our Staff:
Rev. Trent Henson— *Pastor*
Rev. Braxton Kubasko— *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Dave Dupree— *Minister of Worship & Sr. Adults*
Mr. Matthew Moore— *Minister of Youth*

THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:

Sunday, January 28th-
8:30 am Early Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
10:45 am Morning Worship Service
5:00-7:00 pm AWANA
6:00 pm Evening Worship Service

Monday, January 29th-
6:00 am Men's Monday Morning Bible Study-Lg. Conf. Rm
7:00 am Men's Prayer Time-Room 211

Tuesday, January 30th-
10:00 am Keenager's Movie Morning-Youth Room
10:00am & 7:00pm Ladies Prayer Time
7:00 pm Men's Fraternity- Food Pantry Chapel

Wednesday, January 31st-
5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper-Fellowship Hall
6:15-7:45 pm GriefShare-Room 218
6:30 pm The Sonshine Gang
His Kids (4k&5k) Choir- Room 330
Handbell Rehearsal-Handbell Room
Prayer Meeting
Youth Bible Study
RA's, GA's & Mission Friends
Young Adult Ministry-New Parlor
Adult Choir Rehearsal

8:00 pm

Thursday, February 1st-
10:00-11:00 am GriefShare- Room 218

Saturday, February 3rd-
8:00-9:30 am Food Pantry Open
(USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)

January 21, 2024
Sunday School Attendance: 319
Church Attendance: AM 405 PM 249
AWANA Attendance: 124
Sunday's Offering: \$16,046.51
Online Giving 1/18-1/23: \$8,333.75
Total Offerings Received: \$24,380.26
Budget Offering Received \$22,138.26
Budget Offering Required \$26,300.00
Designated*: \$1,256.00
Kingdom Vision (Including memorials) \$1,216.00
Food Pantry \$40.00
Reimbursements: \$986.00
AWANA \$30.00
Wednesday Supper- 1/17 \$456.00
Benevolence (Christmas Assistance) \$500.00

*Designated funds: Approved projects are Building Fund & Special Projects.
**Special offerings as designated by the Board of Deacons.
The work of our church is supported entirely by the faithful giving of our members.



WEDNESDAY SUPPERS!

To make reservations, please sign up by filling out insert in Sunday's bulletin or call the church office by **Monday, January 29th no later than noon.** We will start serving at 5:30 pm.



The Menu for January 31st:
Chili Beans & Potato Soup, Ham & Cheese Sandwiches, Dessert and Tea
The cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children \$24.00 max per family

Join us for a Keenager's MOVIE MORNING

TUESDAY
JANUARY 30
10 AM
YOUTH ROOM



Sign up by January 28th!



Our Youth are Going Snow Tubing!

February 24 | Cost: \$40
Leaving the church at 8:15 and returning at 2

Sign up today!



WBC FOOD PANTRY



DECEMBER FOOD PANTRY REPORT:

During this holiday season, we were able to minister to 243 families representing a total of 879 family members. We provided to them season greetings, weekly food support, and for Christmas, a food gift card to Quality Foods. Thanks to some of our staff, we also had a "Christmas Story" book and a choice of toys for

the children that attended on Saturday, December 16. The pantry was closed on 12/23 so our staff could enjoy the Christmas weekend. For the year 2023, we served 2490 clients representing 9082 family members. These clients came from 9 surrounding counties with the most from Greenville and Spartanburg counties. Thank you, church, for your support

Update on Calgary Mission Trip:

We have 17 members who are committing to participate in this mission trip to Calgary, Canada. The cost per person is \$2000 covering most of our expenses. Other members have asked how to support this trip, and we encourage you to start praying for this team and this July 2024 trip now. Also, anyone is welcome to support the trip financially with contributions spread evenly across all the participants. Please submit checks to the church office made out to Washington Baptist Church and designate Calgary Mission Trip.



We need help in the nursery during Sunday morning and evening services!

On the second Sunday mornings at 10:30 am of each month we are in need of 2 volunteers and 2 volunteers for the fourth Sunday in the 8:30 am service. On the second Sunday night of each month we need 1 volunteer. On the third Sunday night of each month we need 2 volunteers. If you are able to help in any of these capacities please contact Jenna Pinckney, 864-979-0250




Trent's Two Cents:
The Baltimore Ravens defeated the Houston Texans Saturday in the NFL playoffs. John Harbaugh, head coach of the Ravens, started his postgame press conference by reading a Bible verse. He quoted 1 Chronicles 29:11, which says, "Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head over all." After reading the verse Harbaugh said, "I want to give honor and glory where it is due."


Two things stood out to me about this. First, it is amazing that an NFL coach, one win from playing in the Super Bowl, wanted to give God the glory for the team's success! Second, the passage he quoted is an Old Testament doxology! 1 Chronicles 29:11 is part of a prayer of praise for God's goodness to Israel. David said these words to Israel when he was charging Solomon and the people to build the Temple as a form of worship. This passage is an Old Testament doxology. In fact, during my preparation for the doxology sermon series, I read that the language the New Testament writers use in their doxologies most likely came from this passage. Notice the words and phrases that are in 1 Chronicles 29:10-14: "Now therefore, our God", "glory", "majesty", "kingdom", "power", "praise", "you reign over all", "forever and ever". These are the very words and phrases Paul, Jude, Peter, and John use in their doxologies. It was great to hear a word of praise from Scripture in the media. May we be people praise in our daily lives who give God all the glory.

Your pastor,
Trent (trent@washingtonbaptist.org)

Gowensville Christian School
New 7th-12th Grade Christian School in Landrum
Hiring staff beginning in January 2024
Early enrollment beginning in February 2024,
Opening August 2024
gowensvillechristianschool.com



Remote Area Medical has an upcoming clinic that we would love for you to be a part of in Greer, SC. Our clinics are staffed by volunteers, so without your hard work and dedication we could not complete our mission of serving folks in need. Take a look at the information below and reach out to our website if you would like to be a part of this clinic. RAMUSA.org. We are in need of medical professionals and general volunteers.
Any questions, call David O'Shields.
Setup Days: March 15,2024
Clinic Days: March 16, 2024 - March 17, 2024
Location: Greer High School~3000 E Gap Creek Rd. Greer, SC 29651



Online Giving is a great resource to give your tithes and offerings besides checks and cash. There are three different ways to give. Visit the church website, there you will find a link to give online. You can also use the Church Life App on your phone or Text 'WBCGreer' to 73256. If you have any questions, just call the church office.

Text Prayer Chain
If you would like to join the Text Prayer Chain, Please contact Melinda Fowler by text or call 864-593-5129

Clothes Closet Update:
After serving 31 families this past Saturday we are in need of coats, blankets and throws. Thank you for your support. ~Evelyn Lynn

Stay informed: Would you like to stay up-to-date on legislation working its way through the SC Assembly? If so, go to schaptist.org, click on the "about" tab and select Public Policy. Scroll down and click on "subscribe to our newsletter" tab to sign up for the monthly newsletter and Action Alerts.

Gifts to the Church
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of James Pennington by Gregg & Mitzi Moore and Johnny & Donnie Clary.
.....given to the Food Pantry in memory of Carolyn Dryden by John & Vivian Forrester.


LADIES PRAYER GROUP
Ladies, we are still having our prayer time on Tuesday mornings. We have changed the time to 9:30 am We hope you will join us.

NEWS FROM THE WMU MINISTRY TEAM
This month we will be collecting diapers for Greer Relief. Please help us with this ministry by making a contribution. Diapers may be left in the WMU receptacles located throughout the church building. Thanks so much for your support!

Attention all ladies! February 6 is right around the corner.
We will meet at 6:30 in the fellowship hall for baked spaghetti, salad, bread and dessert, followed by our meeting. We are excited to support in our church mission trip to Calgary, Canada and plan to work on small gift items to be used in evangelism on the trip! Please sign up in the sheet on the WMU Bulletin board and join us for a night of missions, food, and fellowship!
We hope to see you there!

Our WOMEN ON MISSION BRUNCH is Saturday, February 10 at 9:30 a.m. at Burnsvie Baptist Church. This is a free catered event. Please contact Nan Spearman with any questions and if you plan to attend. We want everyone to be included in the count.

Servants of Christ, The WMU Ministry Team



Karen has a new book out!!
Grab your copy of Karen Cobb's children's book, "Let's Have Tea at Granma's." Karen tells the story of having a traditional English tea with her grandchildren. The cost is \$25. Contact Karen at 979-2091 to reserve your copy.



Just in case we have inclement weather, you will be able to get updates on service cancellations/changes on channels **WYFF 4 or WSPA, Facebook and the church website.**

New to Washington? Want to know more about us?
Our pastors host an event called Washington 101. This is a special time for new members or guests to ask questions and learn more about our church. The next Washington 101 will be **February 29th** at 7pm in the Sanctuary. Please call the church office or sign up online by Monday, February 26th if you are interested. We look forward to meeting with you!


"And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." ~Luke 11:9



Sunday, January 28th:
Extended Session Workers:
8:30 am– Megan Hines & 2 OPEN slots
10:45 am– **Babies**– Amiee Terry, Anita Ayers and Brooke Martin
1 yr. olds– Norma Lyda and Katie Yancar
2&3 yr. olds– Betsy & Freddy Couch
6:00 pm– Cheryl Moore and Melanie Pinckney
Computer Check In:
8:30 am– Jenna Pinckney
Sunday School– Debbie Wade
10:45 am– Dina Dryden
Ushers for January:
Jack Hollifield, Ralph Styles, Steve Church and Mitchell Whiteside
(Please meet in Vestibule by 8:20)
Safety Team:
VESTIBULE
8:15-10:30– Chet McAbee
10:30-12:00– Garth Neikirk
5:30-7:00 pm– Richard Vaughn
FELLOWSHIP HALL
8:15-10:30– Ronnie Barbare
10:30-12:00– Will Ayers
(LOCK ALL DOORS AT 11:00)
CHILDREN/PRESCHOOL AREA
8:15-10:30– Ronnie Styles
10:30-12:00– Ralph Howard
YOUTH DOORS
8:15-10:30– Ronnie Barbare
10:30-12:00 Will Ayers
CHILDREN/PRESCHOOL AREA & LOCK ALL DOORS AT 6:05
5:45-7:00– Ronnie Styles
AWANA
5:00-7:00 Mike O'Bryant/Chris O'Bryant
VIDEO SURVEILLANCE– LOCATED IN FOOD PANTRY AREA
8:15-10:30-Paul Shanks
10:30-12:00– Steve Cobb
5:45-7:00– Joe Aughtry
GOLF CART–
8:00-12:00– Josh Sterritt/Mike Sloan
5:30-7:00– Mike Sloan

WEDNESDAY– JANUARY 31st
VESTIBULE– 6:45-8:00– Kenny Hughes
VIDEO SURVEILLANCE-LOCATED IN FOOD PANTRY AREA
6:45-8:00– Gregg Moore
CHILDREN-PRESCHOOL AREA
6:45-8:00– Mike O'Bryant
YOUTH DOORS
6:45-8:00– Daniel Ross
GOLF CART
6:30-8:00– Joe Aughtry

Notes



from Dave

January is a great time to join the adult worship choir! Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 8:00 following Prayer Meeting and Sundays at 5:00 prior to evening worship service. We will begin preparing for Easter soon so consider being part of our worship ministry!

Sr Adult Movie Morning is Tuesday, January 30 at 10:00 in the Youth Room. We will be showing the heartwarming film **"Lifemark"** produced by the same folks who produced **"War Room"**, **"Fireproof"**, and **"Overcomer."** You will love this movie based on a true story. **Be sure to sign up on the bulletin board** and we'll have refreshments ready for you!!

I love serving with all of you!
Dave (dave@washingtonbaptist.org)

~Kubasko Korner~
Portraits of Grace - Gideon (Judges 6-8; II Timothy 1:7)
Grace is a term we often hear, but not one we truly consider. We know that grace is unmerited favor from God and that it relies on nothing we have done, but we often think of grace only in the context of salvation only. But nothing could be further from the truth. We need the grace of God arguably more after salvation as we live godly lives in an ungodly world. So over the next few weeks, I wanted to present you some encouraging portraits of grace from God's Word that, I think, will show us more about the character and nature of God and how He uses us in spite of our sinful nature.
In the sixth chapter of the book of Judges, we are introduced to the man Gideon, a man whom we often remember for his daring attack on the Midianites in Judges 7. But the Gideon we are first introduced to has no valor in Him. In fact, our first picture of him is one of him working in secret for fear of the Midianites finding him. Even when God commands Him to contend with Midian, Gideon shows his fear by acknowledging his lowly place in his father's household, and when God tells him to tear down the false idols where he lives, Gideon again shows his fear by only doing so at night when he is out of sight of the town. Even as Gideon begins to follow God's instructions, he shows his fear again in testing God with a fleece and the morning dew. As Gideon began to trust God, he began to show more bravery and trust, knowing that God was not going to leave Him. Now what does this story show us about God? It shows us how patient and understanding God will be with us in that even when we are fearful and doubtful that He will show us the same patience that He gave to Gideon. Like Gideon, God wants us to trust Him and rely on His grace rather than our own ability since it is His power that truly has any kind of sustaining grace. Remember that "God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control," and his grace will sustain us even in our fear and doubt.

In The Service of Christ,
Braxton Kubasko
braxton@washingtonbaptist.org

Moore News...
My excitement continues to grow as I see firsthand how God is working in the lives of our students. Their faithfulness to show up each week to Wednesday and Sunday night Bible Study is inspiring. I pray that God will use our students to make an impact for Christ in our schools and community as they live out their faith each day.

A few reminders:

- Updated schedules are out and are in the youth room.
- Paint Night 1/31
- Snow Tubing 2/24 - \$40

-Matthew
(matthew@washingtonbaptist.org)

Are you looking for a New Bible Study?
Check out Right Now Media
Right Now Media is a Christian online resource website which Washington Baptist subscribes to for our members. It includes videos and other study/conference resources for all age groups to enhance your personal and family spiritual growth. In order to access the website you need an ID and password. We encourage you to sign up and begin to enjoy these wonderful free Christian resources. If you have not received an email from Right Now Media or signed up previously and would like to sign up for this resource, contact Braxton at braxton@washingtonbaptist.org.

