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Our Staff:
Rev. Trent Henson— *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Braxton Kubasko, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Dave Dupree— *Worship Pastor*
Mr. Matthew Moore— *Youth Pastor*

Senior Adult Sunday— March 12th
As part of the morning worship services we want to fill the choir loft with Sr. Adults leading us in worship. No auditions required! Come to the choir room 15 minutes before the service and we will sing through the song prior to both services. Come sing at the service you normally attend! Also we would like to get a group picture of those Senior Adults turning 90 years old this year and older.

WEDNESDAY SUPPER
To make reservations, please sign up by filling out insert in Sunday’s bulletin or call the church office by **Monday, March 6th no later than noon.**
We will start serving at 5:30 pm.
***The Menu for March 8th:**
BBQ Ribs, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Rolls, Dessert and Tea
The cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children (children under 2 eat free).
***Please note that the Wednesday night suppers menu is subject to change due to the availability of some food items.**

ALL Ladies!
This Sunday is the day to reserve your table for the Ladies Celebration! Sign ups for table reservation will be in the hallways behind the Sanctuary - the cost to reserve a table is \$15.00 and we will need to know who is serving your table. Reservations will be open through the month of March, but there are only 35 tables which means you will want to get yours early! If you need a tablecloth, we have some black ones available or you can let Barbara Henderson know if you need a white one. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Henderson at 895-2260.

Girls in Action Tea will be Saturday, March 4th at 10am. Would your GA girl like to sponsor a table by decorating it and inviting their friends and family to join them for this wonderful program? Tables can fit 6-7 people. Set up time will be Friday night, March 3rd from 7-9pm. We look forward to seeing you! Please see Amanda Van Patton, Jessica O'Bryant, Breanna James or Emma Kate Edwards for more information. Sign-up outside GA room.

THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:	
Sunday, March 5th–	
8:30 am	First Morning Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
10:45 am	Second Morning Worship Service
5:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
5:30 pm	Men’s Fraternity– Room 300
6:00 pm	Evening Worship Service
Monday, March 6th–	
6:00 am	Men’s Morning Bible Study– Lg. Conference Rm.
	Men’s Prayer Time-Room 211
	WMU Meeting- Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	
Tuesday, March 7th–	
4:30 pm	First Place- Room 211
7:00 pm	Budget/Finance Committee Meeting-Lg. Conf. Room
Wednesday, March 8th–	
5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Supper-Fellowship Hall
6:15 pm	GriefShare– Room 218
6:30 pm	The Sonshine Gang-Room 324
	His Kids & Little Lambs Choirs-Room 330
	Youth Choir-Beside Youth Room
	Handbell Rehearsal-Handbell Room
	Prayer Meeting
	Youth Showtime
	RA’s/GA’s & Mission Friends
	Young Adult Ministry-New Parlor
	Adult Choir Rehearsal
6:45-8:00 pm	
7:00 pm	
8:00 pm	
Thursday, March 9th–	
10:00 am	GriefShare– Room 218
Saturday, March 11th–	
8:00-9:30 am	Food Pantry Open-By appointment only (USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)
8:00-9:45 am	Clothes Closet Open

February 26, 2023	
Sunday School Attendance	349
Church Attendance	AM 454 PM 249
Awana Attendance	106
Sunday’s Offering:	\$23,058.55
Online Giving 2/22-2/28:	\$8,247.00
Total Offerings Received:	\$31,305.55
Budget Offering Received	\$28,691.05
Budget Offering Required	\$29,300.00
Designated*	\$1,846.00
Kingdom Vision (Including memorials)	\$1,446.00
Gifts to Jesus	\$400.00
Reimbursements	\$768.50
Wed. Supper (2/22)	\$635.00
League Sports	\$25.00
Sale of Appliances	\$53.50
<small>*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.</small>	



The Constitution Committee is in the process of updating WBC’s Constitution, By-Laws, and Policies and Procedures, and we need your assistance.
There are 16 General Officer positions and 37 Committees that make up the governance of this church.
At the beginning of each new church year (in Sept.) these groups are to meet, elect a Chairperson, and begin to conduct business.
This is where we need your assistance – If you are the Chairperson of any of these 37 Committees, please provide the following information to the Church Secretary, Dana Salsman, as soon as possible:

- Committee Name
- Chairperson Name
- Email address
- Best method to contact you

If the Committee you are on has not met this year, please hold a meeting and elect a chairperson and provide the requested information.
Thank you for your help and assistance.
In Christ’s Love, The Constitution Committee

Ryan Dupree will be our North American Missions Speaker Wednesday evening, March 8th. He has served as Minister of Internationals at Columbia First Baptist Church the past 18 years where his ministry includes, but is not limited to, Hispanic, Asian, Slavic, African, Haitian, Indian, and Filipino people groups. He coordinates work with the North American Mission Board and also serves as Multiethnic Ministry Specialist with the South Carolina Baptist Convention. He is also Dave and Donna Dupree’s Son!

100% of your gifts support North American missionaries

Washington Baptist Church believes in and supports missions here at home and around the world! Our Week of Prayer for North American Missions is March 5-12, and our giving of the Annie Armstrong offering for North American Missions will support 2,400 missionaries and their families, enable hundreds of churches to be planted, and thousands of disciples to be made. Please give to help us meet our goal **\$10,000!** May God bless you as you give to further His Kingdom!

Servants of Christ, The WMU Team

Easter Egg Hunt

Mark your calendars for our **Children's Easter Egg Hunt** on Saturday, April 1, from 3-4pm at the picnic shelter! All children up to 6th grade are invited to attend with their families. Donations of candy and plastic eggs are needed (please no suckers or oversized candy). Bins will be located near the Prayer Room, by the Children's Check-in Desk, and near the Youth Room downstairs.

Volunteers are needed as follows:


- To stuff eggs weeks of 3/20 and 3/27
- To help hide eggs day of hunt
- To help with set up before and clean up afterwards
- To help serve refreshments day of the hunt

Volunteer signup sheets will be on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the Sunday School office.

Trent's Two Cents:

I enjoyed Braxton's Ordination Service Sunday evening. It was a special time of testimony, encouragement, and instruction. The Ordination Council, consisting of 23 ordained men, met before the service. They questioned Braxton, encouraged him, and shared wise advice. The Council unanimously affirmed Braxton's calling into the gospel ministry. The Ordination Service included a variety of people. In addition to me, we heard from a member of the search committee that called Braxton to serve at Smithfield Baptist Church, one of Braxton's life-long friends, Braxton's former pastor, a member of our Associate Pastor Search Committee, and from Braxton's father. Each of these people spoke of Braxton's qualifications, knowledge, heart, diligence, and fervent spirit. It truly was a special night for Braxton, his family, and our church. Pray for Braxton, Mallory, and Shepherd daily as they serve alongside you here at Washington.

Your pastor,
Trent
(trent@washingtonbaptist.org)



If you would like a digital copy of the weekly newsletter sent by email to avoid snail mail, please call the church office or email Dana at dana@washingtonbaptist.org.



**FOOD PANTRY**

WBC Food Pantry Report:

February 2023 Food Pantry Report-God provided spiritual and physical food for 197 clients during the month. These clients represent 714 family members. Thank you WBC for your continued prayerful support.

SOFTBALL SEASON IS FAST APPROACHING—

If you're interested in playing, please sign-up in the canteen area by the gym. Men's Team— ages 16 and up. Deadline to sign up is March 12th. Cost is \$40.00 per person, plus jersey. Contact Will Ayers at (864)631-4034 with any questions.




Grieving the death of a spouse?

Or do you know someone who is?

Your life has changed forever. The daily emotions and challenges can seem too hard to bear.

Find help at a Loss of a Spouse seminar.

**LOSS OF A SPOUSE**


Saturday, March 18, 2023
9:30 - 12:00 Noon, Cost: \$5.00
Sign up by March 6 at www.GriefShare.org or call the church office at 864-895-1510




The Mission Friends made cookies for Pastor Trent. Our Bible thought was "don't forget to do good and share with others".

Men's Fraternity Bible Study

Starts Sunday, March 5th at 5:30 pm in Room 300
See David Underwood for more information.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL**
Classes for all ages

We all have a spiritual gifts. Some have speaking gifts and some have serving gifts. A speaking gift would include prophecy and teaching as well as other gifts requiring spoken communication. This is how I think of our teachers! I would like to express my appreciation to our teachers in Sunday School. They do such a great job! We all know that it takes a lot of studying to teach a different lesson for each week. Be sure to tell them thank you for what they do to make Sunday School so interesting. And to those who keep our preschoolers and teachers for our children and youth, we truly appreciate you! May God bless all of you for the effort you put into Sunday School.

"If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen" 1 Peter 4:11

See you Sunday for Sunday School!

Love and prayers,
Barbara

Deacon Profile:

Richard Vaughn
Spouse: Wanda
Children: Ricky and Danny
Other Family Members: Albert & Linda McAbee and Eddie & Linda Lamb
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Richard has been a member at WBC for 14 years. He is on the Building & Grounds Committee and sings in the Adult Choir. He also helps with various mission projects.



February has come and gone. March is here with new challenges and opportunities in Missions! During the month of March we will be sharing with Southeastern Children's Home! Look for new ways of giving to this wonderful ministry for families in next week's newsletter! We have a schedule of upcoming events for them below.

Servants of Christ, The WMU Ministry Team

Southeastern Children's Home Events:

- Auction - May 20 @ Central Church of Christ Annex
- Change for Children - Now through end of October; contact us for our collection cans at 864-439-0259
- Family Fun Day - August 5 @ SECH Campus
- Annual Golf Tournament - October 14 @ TBD

Thank you!!

Dear Washington Baptist Church,

Thank you so much for the baby items. I know our moms will be excited to receive these! It is through your thoughtfulness and generosity that we can love on these moms and their babies!

You are a blessing!
PWC Staff

Thank you for live streaming your services on Sunday and Wednesday nights. I especially enjoy the Sunday School time with Travis so much. I watch your services since my church only streams our Sunday morning service.

Sincerely,
Merle H. Ervin
Summerville, South Carolina

"And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."

Ephesians 4:32



God is faithful.
1 Corinthians 10:13

Gifts to the Church

.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Andy Wade by Gregg & Mitzi Moore, Lem & Barbara Dillard, Tony Farr, Rachel Owensby, Ronnie & Carlene Styles and Richard & Nan Spearman.

....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Sharon Drummond by Richie & Sonya Bradshaw.

Sunday, March 5th:

Extended Session Workers:
8:30 am— Roxanne Bruce and Sarah Coker
10:45 am- Dee Simms, Abby Ayers, Brooke Wade, Brandi Moore, Vivian Forrester and Tami Black
6:00 pm- Miriam and Keith Kirkland
Computer Check In:
8:30 am- Debbie Wade
Sunday School- David O'Shields
10:45 am- Marvin Woodward
Ushers for March:
Joey Merrell, Chris O'Bryant, Mike O'Bryant and Hugh Sistare (Please meet in Vestibule by 8:20)
Safety Team:
VESTIBULE
8:15-10:30- Hugh Sistare
10:30 - 12:00- Rob Dear
5:30-7:30- Hugh Sistare
FELLOWSHIP HALL
8:15-10:30- Ronnie Barbare
10:30-12:00- Ralph Howard (LOCK ALL DOORS AT 11:00)
CHILDREN/PRESCHOOL AREA
8:15-10:30- John Forrester
10:30-12:00- Treva Lee
YOUTH DOORS
8:15-10:30- Ronnie Barbare
10:30-12:00- Ralph Howard
CHILDREN/PRESCHOOL AREA
LOCK ALL DOORS AT 6:05
5:45-7:00- Jim Cason
AWANA
5:00-7:00- Chris O'Bryant/Mike O'Bryant/Ronnie Styles
VIDEO SURVEILLANCE- LOCATED FORRD PANTRY AREA
8:15-10:30- Gregg Moore
10:30-12:00- Josh Sterritt
5:45-7:00- Avery James
GOLF CART
8:15-12:00- Stuart & Amanda Boone
5:30-7:00- Stuart Boone
Wednesday, March 8th
Vestibule-6:45-8:00- Richard Vaughn
VIDEO SURVEILLANCE LOCATED IN FOOD PANTRY AREA
6:45-8:00- Gregg Moore (LOCK DOORS AT 7:05)
CHILDREN-PRESCHOOL AREA
6:45-8:00- Mike O'Bryant
YOUTH DOORS/FELLOWSHIP HALL
6:45-8:00- Jim Cason (LOCK DOORS AT 7:05)
GOLF CART-6:30-8:00- Daniel Ross

Notes from Dave...

Sr. Adult Sunday is March 12! We want to fill the choir loft with Sr. Adults leading us in worship that day! No extra rehearsals required. We will sing an easy arrangement of "Tell Me the Story of Jesus with I Love to Tell the Story." Come to the choir room 15 minutes before the service and we will sing through the song prior to both services. Sing at the service you normally attend! It's going to be lots of fun!

Keenagers next meeting is Tuesday, March 14 @ 11:30! Author Patricia Galbreath with be our guest program. Mrs. Galbreath is a remarkable Sr. Adult who has discovered her gift as a writer in her "next chapter" of life and you will be inspired by her story as well as by her beautifully illustrated books instilling Christian values in children through captivating stories featuring her created character "Merry Mouse." You don't want to miss her energetic and inspirational testimony! **The Food Pantry item for March is cornbread mixes.**

Email Dave at dave@washingtonbaptist.org

Moore News....


I want to say thank you to all who were praying for Andy and who have continued praying for our family. We miss Andy but we rejoice knowing he is with our Lord. This Sunday our youth will be going to Frankie's. We will leave together at 5pm and will be back at 7:30pm. Please bring \$35 to cover your arcade games. Mini golf is not included but will be an option. Please bring an additional \$10 if you would like to play mini golf. Please contact me with any questions. —Matthew (Matthew@washingtonbaptist.org)

Faithlessly Self-Righteous - Luke 18:9-14, Romans 2:1, John 3:14-21

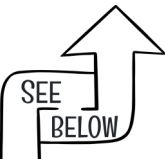
The Pharisees are a group that have an infamous reputation in the eyes of believers. We often find ourselves speechless at how easily and with such confidence they dismiss the teachings, works, and miracles of Christ. We marvel at how easily they condemn others while we can see that they are just as guilty as those they accuse. Why is this the case? Because they have fallen prey to the first sin: pride. But more than that, they have put their trust in their own self-righteousness. We see this so clearly in the passage Trent used a few weeks ago, Luke 18, where the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector contrasts the difference between self-righteousness and true righteousness which is found in humility and repentance. It is through this frame of mind and because of their pride and self-righteousness that they did everything they could to crucify Christ.

And yet, Paul warns us that we are prone to doing the same as the Pharisees in chapter two of Romans, and he is an authority on the subject since it was Christ Who spoke to him directly of his self-righteousness at one point in his life: "Therefore, any one of you who judges is without excuse. For when you judge another, you condemn yourself, since you, the judge, do the same things." And so often, we do fall into the trap of doing the same thing. Sometimes, we hold ourselves above others around us because we think we are better with our choices, our habits, and our lives. But Christ points out something to us in His conversation with Nicodemus in John 3 - that our deeds in and of ourselves are evil, and we so desperately need the restoration and righteousness of Christ. We cannot stand on our own righteousness, or not only do we have no righteousness at all but we put our faith in our own deeds rather than in Christ's. Self-righteousness is truly only faith in ourselves; and as believers, we must remember Luke 9:23. " Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me."

In the Service of Christ,
Braxton Kubasko
(braxton@washingtonbaptist.org)

**Don't miss our next WMU meeting!**

Please join us on Monday, March 6 at 6:30 as Mallory Parker shares about mission work in Utah. She and her husband, Jason are from Lyman First Baptist and are excited to be part of our North American Mission Work! Ladies and girls, please join us for this wonderful evening of learning about missions in our country! We will have a potato bar and fixings for refreshments. There is a sign up sheet for food contributions on the WMU bulletin board!



Clothes Closet Update:

We serviced 28 families last Saturday giving out approximately 300 pieces of clothing. We are not in need of anything at this time.

Thank you,
Evelyn Lynn



Dear Washington Baptist Church!

Thanks so much for your support in the WMU Monthly Mission Projects! We will conclude our "Baby Items for Piedmont Women's Center" on the night of our next meeting, March 6. If you would like to help with this pro-life project to save babies, please bring your contributions of baby items before then or on the night of the meeting. Thanks again for your love and support! —The WMU Ministry Team