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# The Window

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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

## THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:

### Sunday, March 12th—Senior Adult Sunday

#### Daylight Savings Time Begins

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  
5:00-7:00 Awana  
5:30 pm Men's Fraternity— Room 300  
6:00 pm Evening Worship Service

### Monday, March 13th-

6:00 am Men's Morning Bible Study— Lg. Conference Rm.  
Men's Prayer Time-Room 211  
Deacon's Meeting— Lg. Conf. Room

### Tuesday, March 14th-

7:00 pm Keenagers— Fellowship Hall  
11:30 am First Place- Room 211  
4:30 pm

### Wednesday, March 15th-

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  
6:45-8:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal-Handbell Room  
7:00 pm Prayer Meeting  
Youth Showtime  
RA's/GA's & Mission Friends  
Young Adult Ministry-New Parlor  
Adult Choir Rehearsal

### Saturday, March 18th-

8:00 pm Food Pantry Open-By appointment only  
8:00-9:30 am (USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)  
8:00 am-2:00 pm Loss of a Spouse— Fellowship hall

### March 5, 2023

Sunday School Attendance	350
Church Attendance	AM 459 PM 217
Awana Attendance	103
<b>Sunday's Offering:</b>	<b>\$21,766.18</b>
<b>Online Giving 3/1-3/7:</b>	<b>\$9,305.00</b>
<b>Total Offerings Received:</b>	<b>\$31,071.18</b>
Budget Offering Received	\$27,325.53
Budget Offering Required	\$29,300.00
<b>Designated*</b>	<b>\$2,748.62</b>
Kingdom Vision (Including memorials)	\$1,993.00
Annie Armstrong Offering	\$470.62
Food Pantry	\$185.00
Missions (Hammer & Nails)	\$100.00
<b>Reimbursements</b>	<b>\$997.03</b>
Wed. Supper (3/1)	\$407.00
League Sports	\$65.00
Bldg. & Grounds (FH switches)	\$525.03

\*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 SUPPER

To make reservations, please sign up by filling out insert in Sunday's bulletin or call the church office by **Monday, March 13th no later than noon.** We will start serving at 5:30 pm.

### The Menu for March 15th:

Hamburger Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, Rolls, Dessert and Tea

The cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children (children under 2 eat free).

If you would like to help with the suppers, contact Tammy Smith.

## New to Washington?

### Would you like to know more about us?

Every month the pastors and staff will host an event we call **Washington 101** for the benefit of our new members and our visitors who wish to learn more about our church. The next **Washington 101** will be **March 30th** at 7pm in the sanctuary. Please call the church office by Monday, March 27th if interested. We look forward to meeting with you!

### 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!



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**



Daylight Savings time begins March 12th.  
Don't forget to change your clocks next Saturday or you will be late to church!!

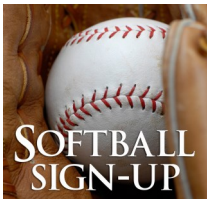
## ALL Ladies!

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.



## 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.



Mark your calendars for our **Children's Easter Egg Hunt** on Saturday, April 1, from 2-4pm 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 over-sized 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:**  
Sunday began the Week of Prayer for North American Missions and the start of our collection of the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Our church goal is year is \$10,000. Every penny of this offering goes to train, equip, and send missionaries across North America. Annie Armstrong was born in 1850 in Baltimore, Maryland and she developed a heart for missions at an early age. Annie’s main goal was to promote local church involvement in missions through fund raising and education. She organized the WMU, developed a fundraising system, and wrote thousands of letters to raise support for missionaries and educational materials. She used all her talents, resources, energy, and connections to accomplish her goal. In one year alone (1893), Annie wrote over 18,000 letters for the cause of missions. Remember, Annie wrote every letter by hand and relied on the postal system to deliver them. Today, with computers, copiers, and social media, we can reach the world with the click of a few buttons. Just think what could happen if we all worked as hard as she did for the cause of Christ! Annie Armstrong once said, “What a glorious thing it is to be a co-worker with God in winning the world for Christ.” Whatever Annie did, she did it with all her heart, for the glory of God (Colossians 3:23). Annie Armstrong is buried in Baltimore, Maryland, and her tombstone says it all: “She hath done what she could.” May we do all we can for the cause of Christ.  
(trent@washingtonbaptist.org)

Your pastor,  
Trent

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](mailto:dana@washingtonbaptist.org).

**PRAYER FOCUS:** The North American Mission Board is the missions -sending agency of the Southern Baptist Convention for North America, which includes the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico. Please pray for our NAMB missionaries as they reach the lost through multiple ministries, such as providing food, clothing and shelter for the home-less; disaster relief; planting churches; and many other ways of meeting needs in North America. As you give to the Annie Armstrong Offering and pray for the missionaries and their work, you become a part of the mission efforts. (from March, 2023 Missions Mosaic)

**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.**

GRIEF SHARE

**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](http://www.GriefShare.org) or call the church office at 864-895-1510

**Food Pantry needs help with picking up of bread on Thursdays between 9 am and 12 pm.**

If available, please contact David O'Shields

**Help Needed!!**

Blue Ridge Christian Learning Center is needing bus drivers! They are really short on drivers right now. You can either drive the WBC Church Bus or one of the Learning Center Buses. Please contact David O'Shields (for the church bus) or the Learning Center to drive one of their buses. Please pray about helping with this very important ministry.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Classes for all ages**

We are so blessed to have a great Sunday School, and we give God all the glory! My prayer is that everyone in our church will be in Sunday School, learning more about God and having a relationship with Him! If you haven't joined Sunday School yet, let me encourage you to do so. You will receive so many blessings. May we all worship Him, not only with our words, but with our lives.

*"By grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God."* Ephesians 2:8

Praying for you all!  
See you Sunday  
Barbara

**Deacon Profile:**

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Travis has been a member of WBC for 17 years and teaches Sunday School.

**Moore News....**

This past week at Washington has been great. We completed our study on the "I am" statements of Jesus this past Wednesday 3/1. On Sunday 3/5, we enjoyed a night of fellowship at Frankie's Fun Park. I truly believe God is at work in the lives of our youth. We have a faithful group of students who have a desire to draw closer to God through our scheduled Bibles study as well as their own personal time in God's word and prayer. Please pray for our students. Pray for their sanctification as they navigate through the Bible. Pray for them to have courage as they live out their faith in our community and in their schools. Pray for them to be disciplined in the word – letting the authority of scripture shape their thoughts, voice, and action. Let that be the prayer for our own lives as we pursue to live like Christ.

**Schedule Change –** On the Youth schedule it reads that "Dessert Night" was on 2/26. We pushed this out to this coming Sunday, 3/12. Students – please bring your favorite dessert to Bible study this Sunday!

—Matthew ([Matthew@washingtonbaptist.org](mailto:Matthew@washingtonbaptist.org))

**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.

**Clothes Closet Update:**

*It is time for us to switch out the winter clothes. We are in need of all sizes of spring and summer clothes. Please do not leave any winter items. We don't have any more room. We will be open March 11th- Security will be Jeffrey Lynn. Thank you for your support. Evelyn Lynn*

*"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."*  
Matthew 5:16



**Gifts to the Church**

.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Andy Wade by Linny & Cheryl Moore, Daniel & Linda Oliver, The Douglas Josey Family and Andy & Chris Davis.

**Sunday, March 12th:**  
**Extended Session Workers:**  
8:30 am– Abigail Butts and Lydia Waddell  
10:45 am- Stephanie Hannon, Sandra Bridwell, Carole Pearson, Liz Woodward, Emma Kate Edwards and Gayle Howell  
6:00 pm- Susan and Judy Erickson  
**Computer Check In:**  
8:30 am- Lisa Turner  
Sunday School- Donna Dupree  
10:45 am- Suzanne Barbare  
**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-Chet McAbee  
10:30-12:00-Keith Kirkland  
5:30-7:30-Keith Kirkland  
**FELLOWSHIP HALL**  
8:15-10:30-Ronnie Barbare  
10:30-12:00-Jeffrey Lynn (LOCK ALL DOORS AT 11:00)  
**CHILDREN/PRESCHOOL AREA**  
8:15-10:30-Ronnie Styles  
10:30-12:00-Marvin Woodward  
**YOUTH DOORS**  
8:15-10:30-Ronnie Barbare  
10:30-12:00-Jeffrey Lynn  
**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/Rusty Edwards/Avery James  
**VIDEO SURVEILLANCE-LOCATED FOOD PANTRY AREA**  
8:15-10:30-Gregg Moore  
10:30-12:00-Steve Cobb  
5:45-7:00-Daniel Ross  
**GOLF CART**  
8:15-12:00-John Susie/Josh Sterritt  
5:30-7:00-John Susie  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH**  
**VESTIBULE-6:45-8:00-Kenny Hughes**  
**VIDEO SURVEILLANCE-LOCATED IN THE FOOD PANTRY AREA**  
6:45-8:00-Gregg Moore  
**CHILDREN-PRESCHOOL AREA**  
6:45-8:00-Mike O'Bryant (LOCK ALL DOORS AT 7:05)  
**YOUTH DOORS/FELLOWSHIP HALL**  
6:45-8:00- Jim Cason (LOCK ALL DOORS AT 7:05)  
**GOLF CART-6:45–8:00-Rusty Edwards**

**The Window**

**Notes from Dave...**  
Sr Adult Sunday is This Sunday! We want to fill the choir loft with Sr. Adults leading us in worship! 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 that you normally attend! I hope to see you Sunday! And don't forget to change your clocks on Saturday evening one hour ahead! If you use your phone for an alarm, it will automatically change for you!

**Keenagers** next meeting is this 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. Sign up on the list on the bulletin board outside the organ door! Menu is fried chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, rolls and banana pudding!  
—Email Dave at [dave@washingtonbaptist.org](mailto:dave@washingtonbaptist.org)

**-Kubasko Korner-**

*Faithlessly Fearful - Deuteronomy 1:19-42; Luke 22:31-34, 54-62; John 18:15-18, 25-27*

We often think of Peter in the later years of his life - the selfless, faithful, steadfast, and encouraging disciple who walked by the side of Christ and encouraged thousands of early Christians. His writings still encourage millions more today! We think of him as a leader in the hall of fame of believers, and yet we forget the Peter of the gospels - the disciple who is sinful and in need of a Savior.

Peter stands out as an example of this in the narrative of the Easter story. As we see in Luke and John, he hastily tells Christ that he is ready to pay the ultimate price for Him. In the Garden of Gethsemane, he even cuts off the ear of a servant of the High Priest. And yet, with all this, Peter runs away with the rest of the disciples and after sneaking into the trial of Jesus denies Christ to those there. The book of Luke even tells us that Christ looked into the eyes of Peter on the third denial as he fulfilled Christ's words. This look must have resonated with Peter the words that Christ had said to him on the Sea of Galilee, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" Peter did not show his faith in the face of his fear.

We see a similar story in the Old Testament. God had commanded the Israelites to enter the Promised Land in triumph and conquer their enemies there, but the people saw the challenge ahead, and instead of depending on God's strength, they had faith in themselves...just like Peter. They turned their back on God, refused to go forward in boldness out of fear and instead wanted to stay in the desert where they were comfortable and safe. When God's wrath was kindled against them, they - like Peter - found themselves wishing they had followed God and had faith!

God calls us to be a people of boldness and not of fear. Paul writes that we as believers do not have a spirit of fear but of "power, love, and sound judgment." But all of that relies on us showing the faith that God has called us to. If we have faith in ourselves, we not only depend on our own righteousness, but we also find ourselves full of fear because we cannot do anything without Christ. Think about Peter before and after the death of Christ. Before Christ, he was hasty and full of fear. Afterwards, he is full of wisdom and faith. Before, he was running for his own survival. After, he is standing before thousands proclaiming Christ. Before, he denies Christ in His presence. After, he dies on an upside down cross after refusing to deny His Lordship. Faith gave Peter a peace beyond all understanding and a strength that he would never have on his own. Remember, the call to us is the same that it was to Christ's disciples, followers, and to the people of Israel: "No one will be able to stand against you as long as you live. I will be with you, just as I was with Moses. I will not leave you or forsake you. "Be strong and courageous, for you will distribute the land I swore to their fathers to give them as an inheritance. Above all, be strong and very courageous to carefully observe the whole instruction My servant Moses commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right or the left, so that you will have success wherever you go. This book of instruction must not depart from your mouth; you are to recite it day and night so that you may carefully observe everything written in it. For then you will prosper and succeed in whatever you do. Haven't I commanded you: be strong and courageous? Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

In the Service of Christ, Braxton

**WMU NEWS:**

Thank you, Washington Baptist Church for your generous support for Piedmont Women's Center in our February Mission Project! This is such a wonderful ministry to save little babies! We feel honored to be part of this Christian family! May God continue to bless us as we serve Him!

*God has blessed us to bless others! This month we are making contributions to Southeastern Childrens Home in Duncan. They serve needy children and families in our immediate area. We are collecting deodorant, body wash, and paper towels. (male and female scents) throughout this month. If you feel led to help, please put donations in the WMU receptacles located throughout the church!*

*Thank you and may God bless you!*  
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

We were so delighted to have Mallory Parker to share with us in our WMU meeting this week about mission work in Utah! She and her husband Jason are beginning their work as home missionaries! Please pray for the Parker family as they seek to follow Jesus!

