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"A family of committed believers linked by love, and dedicated to sharing Christ with our community and the world."

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

WHAT'S UP at Washington

Jesus -
Name Above
All Names

WASHINGTON BELLES SPRING PROGRAM
APRIL 19TH | 6PM | SANCTUARY

END OF YEAR PARTY!

We will be celebrating our end of the school year with a party the week of April 27th. We need donations of snacks for the party!

- Assorted individual chip bags
- Little Debbie Cakes
- Plain Ice Cream Sandwiches (no peanuts please)

BLUE RIDGE CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER

Men's Breakfast

April 25, 2026 | 7:30am | Speaker: Jason Parker (Missionary to Utah)

Sign Up Today!

THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:

Sunday, April 19th-	
8:30 am	First Morning Worship Service-Deacon Nomination
9:45 am	Sunday School
10:45 am	Second Morning Worship Service-Deacon Nomination
5:00-7:00 pm	End of Year Awana Fellowship-Fellowship Hall
5:30-7:00 pm	Experiencing God-Room 303
6:00 pm	Evening Worship Service-Handbell Program-Church Conference
Monday, April 20th-	
6:00 am	Men's Mon. Morning Bible Study-Lg. Conf. Rm
7:00 am	Men's Prayer Time- Room 211
Tuesday, April 21st-	
9:30 am & 7:00 pm	Ladies Prayer Time-Prayer Chapel
Wednesday, April 22nd-	
5:30 pm	Wednesday Supper
6:15 pm	Youth Bible Study
	The Sunshine Gang-Room 324
	His Kids Choir-Room 330
6:45 pm	Little Lambs Choir-Room330
6:45-8:00 pm	Handbell Rehearsal-Handbell Room
7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
	RA's, GA's, Mission Friends
	Young Adult Ministry-New Parlor
	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, April 25th-	
8:00 am	Food Pantry-Open
8:00 am-9:30 am	(USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)

April 12, 2026

Sunday School Attendance:	381
Church Attendance:	AM 450 PM 137
Awana	120
Sunday's offering:	\$21,356.25
Online Giving 48-4/15:	\$10,070.00
Total Offerings Received:	\$31,426.25
Budget Offering Received	\$27,030.00
Budget Offering Required	\$30,566.00
Designated*:	\$3,724.00
Kingdom Vision (Includes memorials)	\$1,146.00
Annie Armstrong Offering	\$20.00
Panama Mission Trip	\$1,883.00
Utah Mission Trip	\$300.00
Food Pantry	\$375.00
Reimbursements:	\$672.25
Wed. Supper- 4/8	\$612.25
Ladies Celebration	\$40.00
Drew's Book	\$20.00

*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.

Gifts to the Church.....
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Marylise Mills by Nelson & Joy Mills.

KEENAGERS MOVIE MORNING

Please join us on **Tuesday, April 21st** in the Youth Room at 10:00 am where we'll be watching "The Case for Christ." The movie is based on the true story about an investigative journalist and self-proclaimed atheist who sets out to disprove the existence of God after his wife becomes a Christian.

Plan to arrive by 9:45 am in order to have time to get popcorn, candy and drink before the movie starts! We look forward to you joining us.

The Children's Choirs of Washington Baptist Church
Present Their

Spring Program

Sunday, May 3, 2026 | 6:00pm

Washington Serves

BORN TO RUN 5K

JOIN US AS WE SUPPORT THE
Piedmont WOMEN'S CENTER
OUR MINISTRY PARTNER HERE IN THE UPSTATE!

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BOB JONES UNIVERSITY

RSVP TODAY!
SCAN QR HERE OR
CONTACT BRAXTON!

DEACON NOMINATION
Sunday, April 19th— both AM Services
Pray for those men God would have you nominate.
The current Deacons serving are listed below.
Please **DO NOT** vote for any of these men.

Joe Aughtry	Rusty Edwards	Trey Frick
Blake Hanley	Kenny Hughes	Gregg Moore
Doug Noland	Chris O'Bryant	David O'Shields
Joe Price	Daniel Ross	Hugh Sistare

Mother's Day & Baby Dedication
May 10th

Graduate Sunday
Sunday, May 18, 2026 at the 10:45 Service

Contact Matthew Moore if you're participating



Trent's Two Cents:
 Sunday morning we presented Rev. Steve Evans as our full-time Minister of Music and Senior Adults. Steve is a native of Kentucky but has spent many years serving in the upstate of South Carolina. Steve has been in full-time ministry for 47 years. He has experience in various areas of church ministry: worship, pastoral care, church administration, and evangelism. Steve will begin his ministry here on Monday, April 20th, and will start leading worship on Sunday, May 3rd. Pray for Steve and his wife, Stacie, as they begin their ministry here at Washington.

Your Pastor,
 Trent
 trent@washingtonbaptist.org

Panama Mission Trip, June 5-12 (update):
 Thank everyone for their generosity of financial support for our team members going on this trip. At this time, we are closing our requests for financial support, but **we continue to greatly need your support with prayer.** Please focus on and pray for each of the individual members who are participating in this trip that each will have many opportunities to share the Gospel with the lost people of Panama. Encourage them as you see them at church and in the community. Here are the ones participating: **Buddy Satterfield, Angie Satterfield, Josh Lee, Ally Rathbone, Bryson Lister, Rachel Lister, Michael Paulson, Kellie Paulson, Bonnie Mussman, Lacy Cooper, Grant Cooper, Chad Cooper and Nan Spearman.** Please be on the lookout for additional upcoming International mission trips going to the nations just for Jesus!

Utah Mission Trip :
 We are so excited for the doors that God is going to open for us as we travel to Utah from July 18-25 as we work with Redemption Church as they integrate themselves in a totally lost community! Please be praying for our team as they meet and prepare! And if you would like to financially support our mission team, you can mark any checks "Utah Mission Trip" or give online or in the office! We appreciate your prayers and support!

Thank You!
 Dear Friends and Family at WBC,
 Thank y'all so much for the love offering this past 5th Sunday!! Thanks to all who gave, it will help us out in our ministry so much!!
 Love you all!!
 Kerry and Neltia

Wednesday Supper Menu for April 22nd:
 Taco Salad, Taco Soup, Dessert & Tea
 The cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. \$24.00 max, per family.
 (children under 2 eat free)
 Fill out the bulletin insert on Sunday or call the church office by noon on Monday!

Clothes Closet Update:
 We are in need of children both boys and girls size 5 to 12. We are good on everything else. Any bathing suits must be new with the tags on them. Thank you for your help.
 ~ Evelyn Lynn

"So do not fear, for I am with you, do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."
 Isaiah 41:10

MISSIONS @WBC

May is right around the corner and we look forward to our next WMU meeting on Tuesday night, May 5 at 6:30 in the fellowship hall. Our menu will be salads, sandwiches, and desserts! Please sign up on the WMU bulletin board! Our program will be testimonies from some of the church members involved in our church ministry. We are focusing on local missions in April and May! Therefore, we are asking for donations for our clothes closet and food pantry. The food pantry needs boxed cereal, which can be placed in the food pantry buggy, located by the church office. The clothes closet needs new underwear, bathing suits, and play clothes for children sizes 6-12. Donated items can be placed in the WMU receptacles located throughout the church. We really appreciate your help! We are the hands and feet of Jesus!

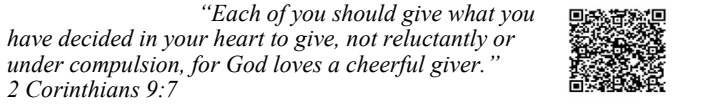
Thanks Washington Baptist Church for your support and donations for the Health Kits! We packed 130 kits to be used in crisis situations in our community and around the US! We will never know on this side of eternity, what these kits mean to those who receive them! Thanks again for your help!

Thanks go out to all of the ladies and girls who helped to make the GA Tea such a wonderful event last Saturday! We especially want to thank Brooke Edwards, Brooke Martin, Elizabeth Miller, Norma Lyda, and Breanna James for their hard work in making this event such a special occasion! We really appreciate and thank our speaker for the day, Abby Farr, student at NGU and missionary for sharing her inspiring testimony! The food was delicious and the GA girls did a great job sharing in song, testimony, scripture! The day was such a blessing! To God be the Glory! May God continue to bless Washington Baptist Church with GAs, RAs, and Mission Friends! Missions starts at home!

Servants of Christ, The WMU Ministry Team



Welcome to the OCC Corner
 We updated the gift registry for 2026. Check out the harmonicas, kid-sized toothbrushes, tees for little girls, and cute rubber duckies!
 (Limited time deals with prices as low as 10!)
 "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
 2 Corinthians 9:7



Sunday, April 19th:
Extended Session Workers:
 8:30 am–Lisa Chisam and Maddi & Macie Hanley
 10:45 am–Open, Brandi & Madison Atkins, Jessica & Emmie O'Bryant
 6:00 pm– Grace Woody and Sarah Young
Computer Check-In:
 8:30 am– Roxanne Bruce
 Sunday School– Amy Baker
 10:45 am–Jordan Johnson
 6:00 pm– OPEN
Ushers for April:
 Chris O'Bryant, Jim Brown, Steve Church and Mitchell Whiteside (meet in vestibule by 8:20)

Safety Team:
Vestibule
 8:15-10:30–Freddie Lindley
 10:30-12:00–Byron Henson
 5:30-7:00– Daniel Ross
Fellowship Hall
 8:15-10:30–Ronnie Barbare
 10:30-12:00–Will Ayers (Lock all doors @ 11:00)
Children Area (Lock All Doors @ 11:00)-
 8:15-10:30–Blake Butts
 10:30-12:00–Marvin Woodward
 5:00-7:00–John Forrester
Youth Doors
 8:15-10:30–Ronnie Barbare
 10:30-12:00–Will Ayers
AWANA
 5:00-7:00 pm– Chris O'Bryant & Blake Butts
Video Surveillance Room
 8:15-10:30– Gregg Moore
 10:30-12:00–Josh Sterritt
 5:45-7:00– Mike Sloan
Golf Cart
 8:00-12:00- Mike Sloan/Harold Wade
 5:30-7:00– Harold Wade

Wednesday - April 22nd:
Vestibule
 6:45-8:00–Rusty Edwards
Children
 6:45-8:00–Mike O'Bryant
Youth Doors
 6:45-8:00–Daniel Ross
Golf Cart
 6:30-8:00–Gantt Martin
Video Surveillance Room
 6:45-8:00–Gregg Moore
Children's Check In-6:00pm–Aimee Perry

STEVE & STACIE EVANS BY LETTER
WELCOME TO Washington

~Kubasko Korner~

Music is, in many ways, the key to opening our minds to new ideas and concepts. Research has proven over and over that nearly the entire brain is activated by music. Because of that, music is engrained into every part of our life and forms the basis of culture and identity. We associate it with memories, and it creates deep emotion in each of us. It has also, historically, been looked at as a tool for learning as it was in the Reformation when most people did not know how to read. But this has been true for hundreds of years in Christian circles going all the way back to the Old Testament. Even in the story of Jesus' Passion, we know that He and the disciples sang a hymn together before going to Gethsemane. Music, then, has the power to shape and inform our minds with Biblical truth, and it becomes important for the believer to hold to the highest standard of truth in their choices of what music to not only use personally but also corporately as a church. So as a fun & informative challenge, I used Google's Gemini AI to issue me a list of what it says are the 16 most theologically rich hymns so that we can look at them together - what scriptures they point us to, what concepts they teach, and the men & women whose lives shaped the songs we sing today. I have to say, I'm impressed with this list, and so I hope you enjoy this spin on my section of the newsletter for the next couple months! Without further delay, let's get to today's hymn - Praise to the Lord, the Almighty!

The text of this hymn is deeply grounded in Psalms 103 & 150 and was designed as a paraphrase of those texts by the author, Joachim Neander. Neander lived a short life of thirty years (1650-1680) in Germany. In fact, he spent only nine of them as a Christian. Yet, in those nine years, he amassed over 60 hymns he wrote while also serving as a tutor in Dusseldorf. He would often retreat to the nearby valley that bore his family's name for inspiration as he wrote his poetry, of which Praise to the Lord, the Almighty serves as the most well known example. After his life ended at age 30 from tuberculosis, it would take almost 200 years until his text was discovered and translated into English by Catherine Winkworth after she studied in Germany and became interested in German hymnody. She published Neander's hymn in the 1863 book of hymns entitled "Chorale Book for England," and it has been steadily gaining popularity for its themes of God's perfect Creation & His providential care of all things. It points to God's Creation being the calling card of God's character that draws all people to Himself ("all ye who hear, now to His temple draw near" & "all that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him") which echoes Psalm 150:2 & 6 - "Praise Him for His mighty deeds...let everything that has breath praise the Lord." It also shows God's love & care for His people never end ("who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee") much like Psalm 103:2-5 - "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's." The text here is clear - God is worthy of our praise because of Who He is, what He has done, and what He continues to do - praise be to God!

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

MOORE NEWS!
 Here is another reminder about our upcoming graduation service. This will take place on 5/17 during the 10:45am service only. If you are graduating from high school or college this year and would like to participate, please email me (matthew@washingtonbaptist.org or call/text (864- 804-0350).
 -Matthew Moore

The Washington Church family would like to extend Christian Sympathy to
 Kelly Edwards in the loss of her grandmother,
 Brent Powers in the loss of his mother
 and Barbara Hartsoe in the passing of her mother.

PRAYER FOCUS - Louisiana: Dillon and Kandis Hunt are church-planting team members for The Church in Michoud in New Orleans, Louisiana. "Pray for spiritual support as we both transition into new less stable jobs. Pray the Lord would lead us to new supporters to partner with us in our ministry. Pray the Lord would provide full funding for Dillon's ministry position. Pray for our family as we work together in ministry." (Source: Missions Mosaic, Prayer Patterns, page 67, Spring 2026)

