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

Deacon Elections
THIS SUNDAY!

Below are the nominees for Deacon.
You will be asked to vote for 4 of these men.
Joe Aughtry Fred Brown Rusty Edwards
Ted LeCren Gregg Moore Buddy Satterfield
Hugh Sistare Mike Sloan

BORN TO RUN 5K

Washington Serves

SPONSORED BY THE **Piedmont WOMEN'S CENTER**

05.11.2024
BOB JONES UNIVERSITY
RSVP TODAY!

GIRLS IN ACTION
tea party
Saturday, April 27th

Girls in Action Tea – Saturday, April 27th at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Our WBC GAs will be decorating tables and inviting family and friends to join them for a time of tea and fellowship. Elena Pittman who is a NGU student will be sharing with us about her recent mission trips. We ask that the girls sign up for a table on the sheet outside of the GA room. If any other ladies would like to attend, please sign up on the attendees sheet so we know how many to prepare for.

ATTENTION ALL SENIORS:

Graduation is an amazing accomplishment and we want to celebrate this occasion with you through the graduation recognition service. It will be held during the 10:45 am service on **MAY 19th**. If you have a family member that will be graduating from high school or college this year, please call the church office (895-1510) with the graduate information by **MAY 10th** so they may be included in the service. Please email a graduation photo or recent photo and favorite Bible verse to dana@washingtonbaptist.org.

GRADUATION
sunday

THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:

Sunday, April 28th-	8:30 am Early Worship Service– Deacon Election
	9:45 am Sunday School
	10:45 am Second Morning Worship Service– Deacon Election
	4:00-6:00 pm Constitution Committee– Room 304
	6:00 pm AWANA Awards & Closing Ceremony
Monday, April 29th-	6:00 am Men's Monday Morning Bible Study-Lg. Conf. Rm
	7:00 am Men's Prayer Time-Room 211
Tuesday, April 30th-	9:30 am Ladies Prayer Time– Prayer Chapel
	7:00 pm Ladies Prayer Time– Prayer Chapel
Wednesday, May 1st-	5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper-Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm The Sunshine Gang
	6:45-8:00 pm His Kids (4k&5k) Choir- Room 330
	7:00 pm 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, May 2nd- National Day of Prayer	
Saturday, May 4th-	8:00-9:30 am Food Pantry Open (USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)
	7:00 pm Gap Creek Singers Concert-Sanctuary

April 21, 2024

Sunday School Attendance:	326
Church Attendance:	AM 430 PM 296
AWANA Attendance:	122
Sunday's Offering:	\$16,350.45
Online Giving 4/18-4/23:	\$7,953.75
Total Offerings Received:	\$24,304.20
Budget Offering Received	\$22,137.75
Budget Offering Required	\$26,300.00
Designated*:	\$1,303.75
Kingdom Vision (Including memorials)	\$1,253.45
Annie Armstrong Offering	\$50.00
Reimbursements:	\$863.00
Wednesday Supper– 4/17	\$601.00
Ladies Celebration	\$231.00
Envelopes	\$1.00
History Book	\$20.00
Ladies Celebration	\$231.00

*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.



Mother's Day Sunday, May 12th
in the 10:45 am service

Contact the church office or email dana@washingtonbaptist.org if you would like to participate.

Washington Baptist Church

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS
Spring Program

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024
6:00 P.M.

Little Lambs - 2 and 3 yr. Olds
His Kids - 4 yrs. To 5k
Sunshine Gang - 1st - 6th grades

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Art Director Needed for SAM Camp

We are in need of an art director for SAM Camp. The dates are Monday - Thursday, July 15-18, from 9:00-12:00. You DO NOT have to be an artist to do this — just be creative!! We have a daily theme and just ask you to come up with a craft to go along with the theme. You will have plenty of volunteers to help with the children each day. If you are interested in helping, or have questions, please contact Toni Johnson at 864-421-7674.

Sunday School Teachers Dinner Meeting
Thursday, May 9th
6:30 pm in the Fellowship hall

BREAKER ROCK BEACH

VBS
JUNE 23RD-27TH
6:30-9:00 PM
AGES-RISING 2ND-7TH GRADES AND PRESCHOOL VBS
JULY 15TH-JULY 18TH
9:00 AM-NOON
AGES-3 YEARS (BY SEPTEMBER 1ST 2023)-RISING 1ST GRADERS

Save the Date for these exciting weeks of VBS.

Volunteers are needed for all areas.
Please contact Melanie Hughes at mhughes3440@gmail.com or 270-1331 to volunteer or for more info. You may also leave contact info on the bulletin board.

WEDNESDAY SUPPERS!

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

The Menu for May 1st:
Baked Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert and Tea

The cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children—\$24.00 max. per family (children under 2 eat free)

Note: Making a reservation assumes responsibility for paying even if you are unable to attend.

Trent's Two Cents:

We will have baby dedications on Sunday, May 12th, during the 10:45am worship service. This is an exciting day of photos and cute outfits as parents bring their children to the altar; however, baby dedication is not about the child. It is about the parents. It is a time when parents make a public declaration, or vow, to dedicate themselves to raising their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. This means parents are committing to maintaining a Christian home in which Christ is honored and the Word of God is obeyed, being faithful in private and public worship, continuously praying for their children, instructing them in the way of the Lord, setting a Godly example, and making every effort in helping their child come to a full understanding of the gift of salvation. These responsibilities can only be fulfilled in the power and work of the Holy Spirit. It is also a time when the church publicly agrees to partner with these parents in assisting them in this endeavor. This is an important day in the life of our church as we commit to bring up the next generation in the way of the Lord. Please pray for these parents and children as they prepare for this special day.

Your pastor,
Trent
(trent@washingtonbaptist.org)

PRAYER FOCUS: Deaf Peoples: - After Sadie, a deaf West African believer, was baptized, her mother was furious and confined her without food for three days to make her recant. Sadie stood firm in her commitment to Christ. Though her mother remains opposed to her Christian faith, there's hope - Sadie recently led her sister to Christ and baptized her. (Source: Missions Mosaic Prayer Patterns, page 40, April, 2024)

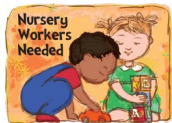
Congratulations!!!!

Danilo & Ross
da Silva
on the birth
of a son,
Calhoun Danilo
Born, April 17th



**We still need help
in the nursery
during Sunday
morning &
evening services
and Worship Kids!**

Please contact Jenna Pinckney at
864-979-0250 if you can help.



**LIFT UP THE WORD
LIGHT UP THE WORLD**

2 SAMUEL 22:29-31

THE 73RD ANNUAL NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

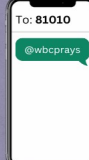


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WANT TO JOIN OUR PRAYER CHAIN?

Be the first to know about prayer needs in our church
each and every day!

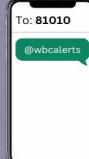
Text "@wbcprays" to 81010 to join today!



WANT TO JOIN OUR FIRST ALERT SYSTEM?

Whenever we have sudden changes to events or
closures because of weather, be the first to know!

Text "@wbcalerts" to 81010 to join today!



WMU MINISTRY TEAM

Ladies, please stop by the WMU gray desk and pick up your April Mosaic Magazine if you do not receive it through the mail. Thanks!

April is here and we have committed to help the Three Rivers Baptist Association to prepare health kits for various upcoming ministries, such as migrant workers, disaster relief, and crisis situations! This is a wonderful ministry and we are excited to be part of it! We have included the list of items below. Items needed are: towels, wash cloths, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, comb/brush, deodorant, and hand sanitizer. We have a good many towels, but are in need of the other items. Please put your contributions in the WMU receptacles located throughout the church! Thanks so much for your help in spreading the love of Jesus!



May 7th is right around the corner and we will meet at 6:30 in the fellowship hall and will have salads and sandwiches. Please sign up on the WMU bulletin board to participate. We look forward to packing our health kit bags for those in need! The items are listed in the April mission project. We hope that you can be a part of this vital ministry!

Love and Prayers, The WMU Ministry Team



Wednesday nights are a great time to learn about missions and have fun at the same time!

Mission Friends packed birthday bag kits for our food pantry. The bags include a 9x13 inch pan, cake mix, frosting, sprinkles and candles.

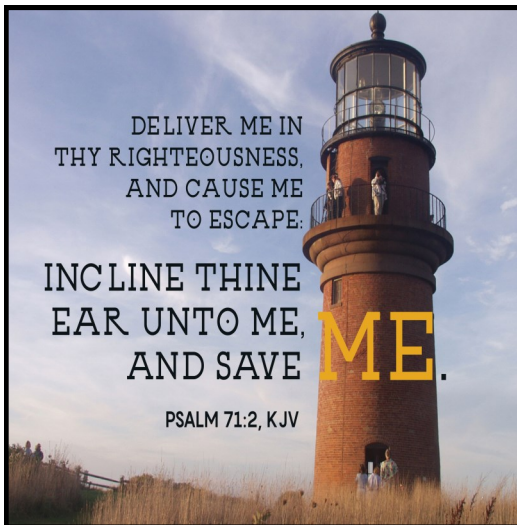
Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Washington Baptist Church on Thursday, May 23rd. A package of four screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease, and other chronic conditions will be offered. Carotid Artery Screening, Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, and Atrial Fibrillation. These vital screenings will take 60-90 minutes to complete. For more information and to register, pick up a PINK sheet that has been placed around the church.



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.

"Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it."

Ephesians 5:25



Sunday, April 28th:

Extended Session Workers:

8:30 am - Breanna James, Brooke Edwards and Megan Hines
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 Smith
Computer Check In:

8:30 am - Jenna Pinckney
Sunday School - Debbie Wade
10:45 am - Dina Dryden
Ushers for April:
Jack Hollifield, Ralph Styles, Steve Church, and Mitchell Whiteside
(Please meet in Vestibule by 8:20)

Safety Team:

Vestibule
8:15-10:30 Hugh Sistare
10:30-12:00-Steve Wilder
5:30-7:00-Hugh Sistare
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-Kevin Phillips
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-Jim Cason
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-Ralph Howard
5:30-7:00- John Susie
Golf Cart
8:00-12:00- John Susie/Harold Wade
5:30-7:00- Harold Wade

Wednesday - May 1st
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-Jim Cason
Golf Cart-
6:30-8:00-Joe Aughtry/Claudia Burkhalter

Notes



Wow, our Washington Belles blessed us Sunday evening! We are so fortunate to have such a fine handbell choir that not only plays well but serves so effectively as worship leaders!
And didn't our 2 young girls bless us Sunday morning with "Everybody Ought to Know!" Watch out for the great future ahead as so many of our children and youth are already developing as skilled worship leaders.

Our Children's Choirs will present their Spring Program Sunday evening, May 2 at 6:00! Everybody ought to come!
Keenagers May 14 outing will be at Strawberry Hill. This time we will meet there for breakfast at 9:00 AM. Sign up on the bulletin board!
The South Carolina Singing Churchmen will be in concert here at Washington Thursday, May 16! You may remember their packed concert here in April of 2021. Pre-Concert with Orchestra and Handbells begins at 6:45. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend!
I love serving with all of you! Dave (dave@washingtonbaptist.org)

~Kubasko Korner~

Almost Home - The Letters of Peter (1 Peter 1:1-9)
We would have a tough time imagining the world in which Peter is writing his letters. He addresses this letter to Christians throughout modern-day Turkey, and in the years in which this was written the church was going through intense persecution from the Emperor Nero. And yet, notice how Peter begins this letter - "May grace and peace be multiplied to you." But how? He tells us in the next verses. Whereas at this moment they are "grieved by various trials" from the throne of Nero, Peter instead tells these believers to turn their attention to the throne of God the Father Who has given them a Living Hope in the person of Christ (v. 3, 6). This point to their hope as alive would be vitally important to the readers because many of them in the years to come would be killed for their faith at the hands of Nero whom history looks back on with more disdain than most modern-day tyrants. So why was Christ their Living Hope? Because He had already won the victory through His death and resurrection (v. 2-3). This was the hope promised to them for why they should endure for their faith - so as Christ had been raised, so would they - and in their suffering they would be refined as gold to the praise, honor, and glory of God which would be made complete when Christ would return (v. 7). It is important for us to live in this hope as well - not in a sense of despair, but in anticipation of Christ's return to earth - and keep our eyes on the same outcome of faith - the salvation of our souls - that Christ will work in us as well as our brothers and sisters that Peter wrote to (v. 9).

There is still plenty of time to sign up for the Piedmont Women's Center 5K as a volunteer! We need people to be race day volunteers and cheer teams on May 11th, so please check your calendars and make it a point to give a few hours so that the Gospel is spread and people in the Upstate choose life! Contact me if you would like to sign up!

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

Moore News...

The Bible reading plan is now covering a variety of books, but 1 Chronicles is one so I will provide a summary of Chronicles. The books of Chronicles were originally one book before being divided into two books due to the lengthiness of the text on a single scroll (The World and the Word, 331). Therefore, my summary below covers both 1 and 2 Chronicles. Beginning in the first section there are nine chapters of genealogies beginning with Adam and ending with Saul (1 Chron 1-9). The genealogies highlight the universal hope of salvation in the Messiah.

The second section, which is, "Foundational portraits of kingdom hope," follows the genealogies as First Chronicles skips over Saul's reign and begins with David's anointing as king (1 Chron 11) (DeRouchie, VL). David is king over Israel, and he grew in his greatness for God was with him (1 Chron 11:9). David wished for God to be exalted in worship, so he devised a plan to bring the ark back to Jerusalem and to build a tabernacle (1 Chron 16:1, 4, 31). There is still no temple, so David set out to build a temple for God (1 Chron 17:1), but instead God established a covenant with David and builds a house for him (1 Chron 17:9-14). This house that God would build for David is a "dynastic succession that will endure forever" (The World and the Word, 340). Chapters eighteen through twenty focus on the great success that the LORD gave David for his faithfulness (1 Chron 18:6). There is no mentioning of Davids downfall in Chronicles. The author skips over his adultery with Bathsheba, Uriah's murder, and other wrongdoings in order to "magnify God's grace and glory despite human failings" (The World and the Word, 340). Since David would not be the one to build the temple for God, he gathered the needed provisions and he prayed for Solomon to be faithful to keep God's commandments and build the temple (1 Chron 29:19). Solomon was then anointed king in the place of David (1 Chron 29:22-23), and the first nine chapters of Second Chronicles highlights Solomon's devotion to the temple, knowing the temple is where true worship took place (DeRouchie, VL). Solomon died and his son, Rehoboam would reign in his place (2 Chron 9:31), and this is where the kingdom would divide.

The division of the kingdom starts the third section of Chronicles as the kingdom hope fades away beginning in second Chronicles chapter ten and comes alive again at the end of the book (2 Chron 10-36) (DeRouchie, VL). This section focuses on the kings of Judah, which enables the reader to remain focused on the Davidic line and the temple (DeRouchie, VL). The narratives of Hezekiah and Josiah are raised as they were consumed with matters concerning temple worship (The World and the Word, 331). It is not until chapter thirty-six where one reads about the destruction of Jerusalem and the temple (2 Chron 36:17-21). The author attributes a small portion to the passing away of kingdom hope before the proclamation of Cyrus was made to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem, enabling the kingdom hope to be reborn (2 Chron 36:22-23).

Chronicles highlights God's faithfulness and compassion towards His people as the reader is encouraged to look past Israel's punishment for their unfaithfulness and focus on Jesus, who would come from the line of David and from Judah to restore and reign over His people (DeRouchie, VL). Chronicles teaches the modern church to look back through history and see how God was faithful to His people and to His word, which should awaken the church to greater worship.

-Matthew (matthew@washingtonbaptist.org)