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

WHAT'S UP *at Washington*

Mother's Day
at
Washington Baptist Church

Muffins with Mom
In the Fellowship Hall | Prior to Sunday School
All Children & their moms are invited to come!

Baby Dedication
At the 10:45 Service.
Contact the office if you want to participate.

Be sure to grab a Mother's Day picture to treasure in front of our photo-op that day in the Children's Wing!

UPCOMING SPECIAL SUNDAYS

- DEACON ELECTION (AM)**
CHILDREN'S CHOIR SPRING CONCERT (PM)
Sunday, May 4
- MOTHER'S DAY**
Sunday, May 11 (No Evening Services)
- GRADUATE SUNDAY (AM)**
CHILDREN'S MISSION GROUP CORONATION (PM)
Sunday, May 18
- FATHER'S DAY**
Sunday, June 15 (No Evening Services)
- REUNION SUNDAY**
Sunday, June 29

Below are the nominees for Deacon
You will be asked to vote for 4 of the these men.
Sunday, May 4th in both AM services

Fred Brown	Tony Farr	Trey Frick
Kenny Hughes	Ted LeCren	Joe Price
Daniel Ross	Buddy Satterfield	

THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:	
Sunday, May 4th-	
8:30 am	Early Morning Worship Service-Deacon Election
9:45 am	Sunday School
10:45 am	Morning Worship Service-Deacon Election
5:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm	Children's Choir Spring Program
Monday, May 5th-	
6:00 am	Men's Monday Morning Bible Study-Lg. Conf. Rm.
7:00 am	Men's Prayer Time- Room 211
Tuesday, May 6th-	
9:30 am & 7:00 pm	Ladies Prayer Time-Prayer Chapel
6:00 pm	WMU Meeting-Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study-Home of Beckie Aughtry
	Budget & Finance Comm. Meeting-Large Conf. Room
Wednesday, May 7th-	
10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study- Home of Melanie Hughes
5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Supper
6:15 pm	Youth Bible Study
6:30 pm	The Sonshine Gang- Room324
	His Kids-Room 330
6:45 pm	Little Lambs -Room 330
6:45-8:00 pm	Handbell Rehearsal - Handbell Room
7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
	RAs, GAs & Mission Friends
	Young Adult Ministry-New Parlor
	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, May 10th-	
8:00 pm	
8:00-9:30 am	Food Pantry Open <small>(USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)</small>
8:00-9:45 am	Clothes Closet Open

April 27, 2025	
Sunday School Attendance:	353
Church Attendance:	AM 465 PM 252
Sunday's offering:	\$18,024.82
Online Giving 4/23-4/30:	\$8,090.00
Total Offerings Received:	\$26,114.82
Budget Offering Received	\$20,171.82
Budget Offering Required	\$26,300.00
Designated*:	\$4,703.00
Kingdom Vision (Including memorials)	\$4,333.00
Annie Armstrong Offering	\$50.00
Gifts to Jesus	\$300.00
Food Pantry	\$20.00
Reimbursements:	\$1,240.00
League Sports (Volleyball)	\$400.00
Youth (Centrifuge)	\$200.00
Wed. Supper (4/23)	\$640.00

*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 Jeanna Tapp by Rhonda Edens.
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Francis Bradburn by Richard & Nan Spearman.

We have moved the **May Church Conference** to **May, 25th** due to **Graduate recognition/ Missions Recognition.**

Washington Serves

BORN TO RUN 5K

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

05.17.2025
BOB JONES UNIVERSITY

INTERESTED IN HELPING?
SCAN THE QR CODE!



Save the date
for VBS!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL


JUNE 22ND-26TH | 6:30 PM-9:00 PM
FOR RISING 2ND-12TH GRADES

Volunteers are needed for all areas!
Contact Melanie Hughes (864-270-1331) or sign up today!



Trent’s Two Cents:
We will have baby dedications on Sunday, May 11th, during the 10:45 AM 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. Please call the church office if you would like to participate in this service.

Your Pastor,
Trent (trent@washingtonbaptist.org)




WashingtonKids

WBC WONDERKIDS UPCOMING EVENTS SUMMER 2025

Friday MAY 16	RA COOKOUT 6:00-8:00PM PICNIC SHELTER	
Wednesday MAY 28	SCHOOL’S OUT SUMMER BASH RISING 2ND-7TH GRADE 6:30-8:00PM PICNIC SHELTER	
Wednesday JUNE 11	WESTERN NIGHT FAMILY EVENT 6:30-8:00PM PICNIC SHELTER	
Friday JUNE 13	RA FISHING TRIP 6:00-8:00PM THE POND AT 2639 E. TYGER BRIDGE RD.	
Sunday-Thursday JUNE 22-26	VBS RISING 2ND-7TH GRADE 6:30-9:00PM FELLOWSHIP HALL	
Friday JULY 11	SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT FAMILY EVENT 6:00PM FELLOWSHIP HALL	
Sunday JULY 13	DEACON ICE CREAM FELLOWSHIP FAMILY EVENT 6:00PM FELLOWSHIP HALL	
Monday-Thursday JULY 21-24	SAM CAMP RISING 2ND-7TH GRADE 9:00AM-12:00PM GYM	
Monday-Thursday JULY 21-24	PRESCHOOL VBS 3S-RISING 1ST GRADE 9:00AM-12:00PM KIDS WING	
Thursday JULY 31	BOWLING NIGHT FAMILY EVENT 5:00-8:00PM PEACH BOWL LANES	
Wednesday AUGUST 6	BACKPACK BLESSING & PRAYER WALK FAMILY EVENT 7:00-8:00PM SANCTUARY	
Wednesday AUGUST 13	BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY RISING 2ND-7TH GRADE 6:30-8:00PM PICNIC SHELTER	

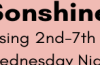
Summer Weekly Events



Kingdom Kids

Preschool-Rising 6th Grade

Sunday Nights | 6-7pm
June 1, June 8, June 29,
July 6, July 20, & July 27



Sonshine Gang

Rising 2nd-7th Grade

Wednesday Nights | 6:30-7:00pm

Our kids practice and prepare their music so they can lead us in worship year-round!

RA’s, GA’s, & MissionFriends




Wednesday Nights | 7-8pm

MissionFriends (Preschool-Rising 1st Grade)

RA’s & GA’s (Rising 2nd-7th Grade)

What’s better than having a fun time, learning about missions, and then doing missions right here at home?

Well that’s exactly what we do!



Ladies!! Please remember to return tablecloths that were used during the Ladies Celebration. Thank you!




MISSIONS @WBC

WMU MINISTRY TEAM

The WMU is sponsoring a mission trip to Ashe County, NC to Phoenix Baptist Church in the town of Lansing. The date for the trip is July 28-31. This is one of the churches that we have helped during and after Helene. Trent Henson, Richard Spearman and Claudia Burkhalter will hold a Q & A session on Wednesday night, April 30 at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary. If you are interested, please try to be there!

Please help us support our church Clothes Closet and Food Pantry! Items needed are: cereal, diapers, and children’s summer clothing. We will enjoy learning about the Clothes Closet and Food Pantry from Evelyn Lynn and David O’Shields on Tuesday, May 6 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will have sandwiches and salads! Please sign up and come! We hope to see you there!

Servants of Christ, The WMU Ministry Team



We are in the process of forming a medical team @ WBC. The purpose of this team is to be able to help someone who is having a medical emergency @ WBC before EMS arrives. This team will consist of nurses, doctors, EMT’s, anyone who has up to date CPR training. Please pray about serving on this team. If interested please contact Hugh Sistare @ 864-979-6057. Hugh will be heading up this team.



WELCOME TO THE OCC Corner!

Helping you find ways you can minister with OCC all year long!

In a renewed effort to pack our shoeboxes with the highest quality items this year, we will provide information on deals on toys & school supplies here for your personal shoeboxes or to donate for the WBC packing party!



MAY TIP: Keep an eye on our OCC wish list registry to help us stock up our packing party inventory!

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 ~

*As we all heard Pastor Kelley share on Sunday, his challenge and commitment to all of us to eliminate our building loan debt underscores the importance of our collective efforts. In this context, the **Kingdom Vision Fund** is dedicated to expediting the repayment of our building loan and plays a crucial role in our current challenge. Each contribution is treated as additional principal, significantly enhancing our ability to reduce the loan balance more rapidly. This approach not only accelerates our financial progress but also strengthens our commitment to fulfilling our mission and expanding our impact within the community.*

Feel free to reach out to me if you have any question regarding Kingdom Vision or any other aspect of our financial status.
Tom LaMartina, Treasurer



The Washington Church family would like to extend Christian Sympathy to the family of Frances Bradburn.

Sunday, May 4th:
Extended Session Workers:
8:30 am– Claire & Kelsey Skinner and Robin Brown
10:45 am– Tonda & Freddy Rogers, Brandi Atkins, Ross da Silva, Jessica O’Bryant and Sonya Bradshaw
6:00 pm– Cheryl Moore and Melanie Smith
Computer Check-In:
8:30 am– Debbie Wade
Sunday School– David O’Shields
10:45 am– Marvin Woodward
6:00 pm– OPEN
Ushers for May:
Avery James, Kenny Hughes, Tom LaMartina and Chet McAbee (meet in vestibule by 8:20)
Safety Team:
Vestibule
8:15-10:30-Chet McAbee
10:30-12:00-Wyatt Spearman
5:30-7:00– Ralph Styles
Fellowship Hall
8:15-10:30-Ronnie Barbare
10:30-12:00-Will Ayers (Lock all doors at 11)
Children Area (Lock All Doors @ 11:00)
8:15-10:30-John Forrester
10:30-12:00-Roger Black
Youth Doors
8:15-10:30-Ronnie Barbare
10:30-12:00– Will Ayers
Children Area & Lock All Doors At 6:05
5:45-7:00- Joe Aughtry
Golf Cart
8:00-12:00– Kaleb Edwards/Mike Sloan
5:30-7:00- Kaleb Edwards
Wednesday - April 30th:
Vestibule: 6:45-8:00- Kenny Hughes
Children: 6:45-8:00- Mike O’Bryant
Youth Doors: 6:45-8:00- Jim Cason
Golf Cart: 6:30-8:00- Daniel Ross
Children’s Check-In: 6:00 pm– Aimee Perry



Wednesday Suppers
5:30 pm
Fellowship Hall

Sign-up Today!

Menu for April 30th
Pork BBQ, Sweet Potato Crunch, Chips, Cole Slaw, Corn on the Cob, 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)
Fill out the bulletin insert on Sunday or call the church office by noon on Monday!

Thank you!
Thank you Washington Baptist Church for all the prayers, cards, phone calls, food and all the kindness shown to Ben and I during my recent illness. To Trent, Braxton and Dave for your prayers and visits. We are so blessed to be a part of such a loving church. Thank you and God bless each of you.

Alice & Ben Dryden

Thank you for your donation of household, food and home good items. Because of your kindness we are helping transform our neighbors in need to neighbors who thrive.


Greer Relief

Dear Washington Baptist,
Thank you so very much for the Bojangles Biscuits you provided to us for Teacher Appreciation Week. We greatly appreciate your support and generosity!

Staff & Teachers from
Skyland Elementary School



OUR NEWEST MEMBER:
Landree Hines
(by baptism)



Notes from Dave

We are so blessed to have Children’s Choirs at Washington! This Sunday evening our children will present their Spring Program. I hope that you will come support and enjoy this wonderful evening as our children lead in worship!

May Keenagers at Strawberry Hill, Tuesday, May 13. Meet at Strawberry Hill @ 9:00 for a great breakfast and fellowship, not to mention picking up some great strawberries! Sign up so we know how to reserve space for our group!

Dear Church Family,

I am writing to share with you my plan for retirement. After lots of prayer and careful thought, I am going to retire in January of the coming year. Donna and I have processed this for a couple of months with Trent and we are giving long range notice to give the church adequate time to evaluate the position and the direction to take towards finding my replacement. We have been so blessed to serve with Pastor Trent, a fine staff, our Deacon body, extraordinary lay leadership, and the best church family on the planet! We can’t thank all of you enough for the amazing love and encouragement we have experienced from the first day we began serving at Washington.

As of next month, I will have served in local church ministry for 50 years and by the time I retire I will have served just four months short of what would have been 5 years here at Washington. But there comes a time when it is clear that the next phase of our life journey is to begin. The plan is to serve through the full week of January 11-17 with our final Sunday being January 11.

Donna and I will be praying earnestly for the next minister who will follow us and the amazing opportunity that it will be for that person and for the church.
Respectfully submitted,

Dave and Donna Dupree
April 30, 2025

~Kubasko Korner~


Sunday was a blessing to hear about God’s blessings on our church and looking toward the future with the reminder to use those blessings for His glory, for “to whom much was given, of him much will be required (Luke 12:34).” So let me ask you a question - how much is a few hours of our time worth to you? Because our upcoming Washington Serves event will take just a few hours but impact God’s kingdom more than we can know. We have a great relationship with the Piedmont Women’s Center, who is bringing God’s gospel and a message of life to the upstate, and we volunteer every year at their major fundraisers like their “Born to Run” 5K coming up on May 17th! They are funded completely by fundraisers and donations, and they need our help! They need volunteers during the week before the race and on race day to make this event possible, and this year I would love to see us exceed the 20 runners and volunteers we had last year! If you are interested, email me or sign up online or here at church (hallway or tablets). I’m so grateful to serve with each one of you here at Washington!

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

Moore News....

Our youth will be leaving for Centrifuge June 2 – June 6. We still have room for more students to attend this camp. If your child would like to attend or if you know of other students who would be interested in Centrifuge, please let me know as soon as possible. I want to remind everyone that Graduation Sunday will be on 5/18. If you are graduating from High School or College this year (including those who graduated in December), and would like to participate in the service please let me know as soon as possible. You can email or call/text (864-804-0350).

~Matthew (matthew@washingtonbaptist.org)



PRAYER FOCUS - Sub Saharan African Peoples: A worker among the Sereer of Senegal and the Gambia wrote, “When I say I am a Christian, Muslims here assume I worship the Virgin Mary. Catholics here pray for the Virgin Mary and worship her. They take offense that I pray only in the name of Jesus Christ. Pray for opportunities to share the truth. Ask God to lead me to hearts that are seeking the truth.” (Source: Mission Mosaic Prayer Patterns, page 42, April, 2025)

Food Pantry Report:
Food Pantry Report: During April 2025, we had 267 clients visit our pantry who represent 930 family members. With the assistance of Harvest Hope Food Bank, we are now able to provide additional beneficial food to our clients giving them additional food security. Thank you, church, for your continued support.