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The Window

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Our Newly Elected Deacons:

Doug Noland David O'Shields
Chris O'Bryant Blake Hanley



On Mother's Day, May 14th 2023, in the 10:45 am service, we will have Baby Dedication.

Check out our website!
www.washingtonbaptist.org

Our Staff:

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

WEDNESDAY SUPPER

To make reservations, please sign up by filling out insert in Sunday's bulletin or call the church office by **Monday, May 15th no later than noon.** We will start serving at 5:30 pm.



The Menu for May 17th:

Hamburger Steak, Hashbrown Casserole, 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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 25th – 29th
from 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM
Ages: Rising 2nd – 7th Grades

and

Preschool VBS
July 24th – July 27th
from 9:00 AM - Noon

Ages: 3 years (by September 1st 2022) – Rising 1st Graders
Please mark your calendars for these two exciting weeks of Vacation Bible School.

Volunteers are needed for teachers, craft leaders, game leaders, Team leaders, preschool leaders and more.

Please contact Melanie Hughes
at mhughes3440@gmail.com or 270-1331
or sign up on the bulletin board with your contact info.

Scan the QR code to register your child for VBS!



THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:

Sunday, May 14th- Mother's Day

8:30 am First Morning Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
10:45 am Second Morning Worship Service-Baby Dedication
6:00 pm No Evening Service

Monday, May 15th-

6:00 am Men's Morning Bible Study– Lg. Conference Rm.
Men's Prayer Time-Room 211
Deacons Meeting-Large Conference Room

Wednesday, May 17th

5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper-Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm The Sonshine Gang-Room 324
His Kids & Little Lambs Choirs-Room 330
Handbell Rehearsal-Handbell Room
Prayer Meeting

7:00 pm Youth Bible Study
RA's/GA's & Mission Friends
Young Adult Ministry-New Parlor
Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 19th

5:00-10:00 pm RA's Annual Cookout-Picnic Shelter

Saturday, May 20th-

8:00-9:30 am Food Pantry Open-By appointment only
(USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)

May 7, 2023

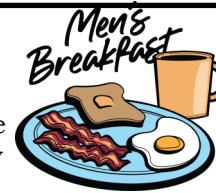
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| Sunday School Attendance | 376 |
| Church Attendance | AM 469 PM 197 |
| Sunday's Offering: | \$20,890.00 |
| Online Giving 5/3-5/9: | \$5,590.00 |
| Total Offerings Received: | \$26,480.00 |
| Budget Offering Received | \$22,503.00 |
| Budget Offering Required | \$29,300.00 |
| Designated* | \$3,039.00 |
| Kingdom Vision (Including memorials) | \$2,919.00 |
| Handbell Fund | \$20.00 |
| Food Pantry | \$100.00 |
| Reimbursements | \$938.00 |
| Wed. Supper (5/3) | \$438.00 |
| Use of facilities | \$500.00 |

*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.



ALL MEN AND BOYS

Join us for breakfast on Saturday, May 27th at 7:30 am in the Fellowship hall. Sign up on the bulletin board outside the History Room so we will 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 a.m. service on MAY 21st. If you have a family member that will be graduating from high school or college this spring, please call the church office (895-1510) with the graduate information by MAY 15th so they may be included in the service. Please email a graduation photo or recent photo and favorite bible verse to dana@washingtonbaptist.org.



New to Washington?

Would you like to know more about us?

Every month the pastors 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 May 25th** at 7pm in the sanctuary. Please call the church office by Monday, March 27th if interested. We look forward to meeting with you!

We have new items in our History Room!

Two sets of commentaries owned by Rev. Kenneth Newton have been added to our History Room. Rev. Newton used these commentaries to prepare sermons and Bible studies when he was pastor of Washington Baptist Church. Rev. Newton was pastor here from 1960 -1972. In 2004, he became Washington's second Pastor Emeritus. The commentary sets were donated by Rev. W. Leon Morrow. The commentaries and a letter from Rev. Morrow are now on display in our History Room.

Are you looking for New Bible Studies? check out Right Now Media

Right Now Media is a Christian online resource website which Washington Baptist subscribes to for our members. It includes videos and other study/conference resources for all age groups to enhance your personal and family spiritual growth. In order to access the website you need an ID and password. We encourage you to sign up and begin to enjoy these wonderful free Christian resources. If you have not received an email from Right Now Media or signed up previously and would like to sign up for this resource, contact Braxton at braxton@washingtonbaptist.org.

Trent's Two Cents:

Sunday morning I preached on powerful principles of prayer from Acts 4:23-31. Here are some effective prayer strategies that I always shared with my students at the Blue Ridge Christian Learning Center:


1. **Remember to whom you are praying.** Concentrate on what prayer really is; you are speaking to God. Take just a few minutes to focus on God, who He is, and why you are going to Him. Read passages like Exodus 33:19-23, Isaiah 6:1-7, Revelation 4:1-11; 5:7-14 and consider the holiness of God.

2. **Quote Scripture in your prayers.** Know God's Word and use it. Speak it back to Him as you pray. Cling to the promises of Scripture. Let Him know you know Him and trust His Word.

3. **Use Scripture as a springboard to prayer.** Let God's Word lead you in prayer. God speaks to you in His Word, then you speak back to Him in prayer. Praying the Bible by Donald Whitney is a good resource about this topic.

4. **Study the prayers of the Bible.** Examine the structure and content of how the men of prayer, like David, Nehemiah, and Daniel, pray in the Scriptures (2 Samuel 7:18-29; Nehemiah 1:4-11; Daniel 9:4-19). I hope this helps your prayer life.


Your pastor,
Trent




NEWS FROM THE WMU MINISTRY TEAM-

Just a reminder! Ladies, please pick up your Mosaic Magazine for May on the gray desk in front of the WMU bulletin board!

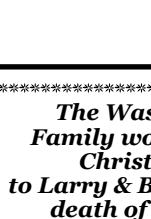
There will be an RA Cookout on Friday, May 19 at the church picnic shelter. It promises to be a fun time of fellowship for the men and boys!




It's that time again. Boys and parents that are interested in Camp McCall this summer are asked to pull up the website: Camp McCall.org. to check out the dates and registration. If you have any questions, please check with the RA leadership team or Nan Spearman. Thanks!



Washington Baptist, we need your help! Our mission project for this month is to assist Greer Community Ministries. We are collecting Men's disposable razors, wash clothes, deodorant, and socks of any size. You always do such a great job of serving, and we really appreciate your support! Please put your contributions in the WMU Mission Receptacles that are placed throughout the church. Thanks so much!



The Washington Church Family would like to express Christian Sympathy to Larry & Barbara Oliver in the death of their son, David.




Don't throw away your used Sunday School Material!

Our used Sunday School material reaches people around the world thru the International Seafarers Ministry in Charleston. When you put your materials in the marked bins pray over these as they can touch a life anywhere in the world.

Ongoing GA & RA Mission Project:

We are still collecting can tabs for the Shriners Hospital. Please put your donations in the jars located in the children's area. Thank you so much for your support!

We are in need of little girls spring and summer clothes. Thank you so much for your continued support. —Evelyn Lynn



WELCOME New Member

Faye Slatton by Letter

Prayer Request from Joe Rondon:

Chaplain Major Jose Rondon is a U.S. Army Chaplain serving in Fort Benning, GA. Please pray God will once again give me the opportunity to lead thousands of soldiers to Him through the preaching of His message of salvation in Christ Jesus. Previously when you prayed, I saw 11,090 soldiers come to Jesus within two years. Glory to Jesus alone! Thank you for your prayers and love for our soldiers!


Thank you!!

Dear Friends and Family at WBC Thank y'all so much for the love and encouragement through your love offering! We are so blessed to have you stand with us as we serve missionaries around the world!!

Love you all!!
Kerry and Neltia Henderson

Gifts to the Church

....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Carolyn Dryden by Joe & Drenda Price, Gregg & Mitzi Moore, Jimmy & Lucille Skinner, Higginson & Paulk P.C., Joe & Janet Saunders, Joe & Dannette Haluski and Jay Haynes.given to the Handbell Choir in memory of Carolyn Dryden by Bob & Bobbie Todd.

Food Pantry

FOOD PANTRY REPORT-During April 2023 we were able to minister to 222 clients that represented 828 family members. Because of your generosity, prayers, an support, we were able to touch all these lives.

“For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.” ~Isaiah 41:13

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Sunday, May 14th:

Extended Session Workers:

8:30 am– Abigail Butts, Lydia Waddell & Katelyn Strange

10:45 am– *Babies*- Stephanie Hannon, Carole Pearson & Gayle Howell

1 yr. olds- Sandra Bridwell & Liz Woodward

2&3 yr. olds- Sherie & Danny Lynch

6:00 pm- Susan Brown & Judy Erickson

Computer Check In:

8:30 am- Lisa Turner

Sunday School- Donna Dupree

10:45 am- Suzanne Barbare

Ushers for May:

Avery James, Kenny Hughes, Tom LaMartina and Chet McAbee

(Please meet in Vestibule by 8:20)

Safety Team:

VESTIBULE

8:15-10:30-Eddie Smith

10:30-12:00-Steve Wilder

5:30-7:30-No Service

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-Tony Farr

10:30-12:00-Benjamin Van Patton

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-No Service

VIDEO SURVEILLANCE-LOCATED FOOD PANTRY AREA

8:15-10:30-Joe Aughtry

10:30-12:00-Steve Cobb

5:45-7:00-No Service

GOLF CART

8:00-12:00-Freddy Lindley & Brent Lindley

5:30-7:00-No Service

WEDNESDAY, May 11th:

VESTIBULE-6:45-8:00-Steve Church

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-6:30--8:00-Joe Aughtry

Notes

from Dave

Wow! Our children's and preschool choirs really led us in worship Sunday evening! Thanks so much to all our leaders, directors, tech team and parents for investing in our kids and for discipling them in the faith through worship leadership! God is blessing our church and our families through all of you! And thank you kids for singing passionately from your hearts. I know that God was pleased with your offering of worship!

Now is a great time to consider joining the Sanctuary Choir. Summer is just around the corner and schedules will be less crowded. Maybe you have served in choir in the past and you sense God leading you to re-engage in our worship ministry. We would love to have you serving with us again! Perhaps you are new to Washington and choir might be your next step toward serving in our ministry. God has gifted many in our congregation with abilities, talents and a passion for worship. If that is you, consider joining us Wednesday evenings after Prayer Meeting at 8:00 and Sunday afternoons at 5:00 prior to evening worship. I'd love to see our high school and college students using their gifts in choir as well! Let me know if you have any questions!

I love serving with all of you!
Dave
Dave@washingtonbaptist.org

~Kubasko Korner~

Now What: Martyrs & Theologians (Acts 5:27-42)

"I bless you, Father, for judging me worthy of this hour, so that in the company of the martyrs I may share the cup of Christ." - Polycarp

By the power of God, the Church was on the move. What many meant to stop the Church was instead working for them. The Jewish persecution of the Christians had only made them grow stronger - a clear indicator that God was on their side. Jerusalem had been destroyed by the Romans, and yet God used this tragedy to spread the church around the world. The Roman Empire was at the height of its power, and more and more the rulers of Rome found themselves opposed to the Christians in their lands; and yet, it was through the Roman trade routes - the first of their kind - that the Gospel was traveling to the interconnected world. Satan gave every effort in his depravity to sidetrack the church with false teaching, political persecution, and division from within. Yet, in His providence, God provided for the church leaders and blessings time and time again - preserving His Word and His people. Of course, these problems persisted past the Apostles themselves; and as each of them was martyred for their faith, new generations of believers began to rise up. First came Polycarp, a student of the Apostle John, who taught Scriptural truth he learned from John for over 50 years, and was martyred at 86 years old. His student, Irenaeus, was a fierce defender of the faith, and served as a priest and bishop of the Church in what is now France while writing a series of books against the various heretical teachings of the time. Justin Martyr, a philosopher and theologian, was beheaded in Rome for his teaching on the beliefs of Christians, while Athanasius of Alexandria stood against the heresy known as Arianism which denied the divinity of Christ. As the Church continued the work of Christ on earth, each of them was ridiculed, mocked, exiled, attacked, tortured, and killed for the sake of Christ. Each of them stood beside the Scriptures in affirming the Character and Nature of God, the Person and Divinity of Christ, and the Sovereignty and Providence of the Trinity. But they did not just affirm it with their words - they did so with their lives. Not only should we never forget them for the work God did through each of their lives, but I hope that each of us has devoted our lives as they have and will be willing to stand up for the truth of the Bible...no matter the cost.

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Moore News....

This past Sunday, I was invited to watch one of our students be baptized at his home church. Although he is not a member here, he faithfully attends our Wednesday night Bible studies, and it was a humbling experience for me. God is working in the lives of our youth! Please continue to pray for them as they pursue a life for Christ in a broken society.

Announcement: The summer schedule for our youth is out. This includes a list of all upcoming Bible studies and activities through the summer. There are copies for students and parents to pick up in the youth room.

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