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BUDGET WORKSHEETS ARE READY TO BE PICKED UP!!!
The 2023-2024 Budget Request Worksheets will be in the workroom mailboxes for all committee chairpersons to pick up. Please make sure to pick up yours as soon as possible as they are due back Sunday, June 4th. Questions? See or call Tom LaMartina at (864)704-2150.

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 (864)270-1331
or sign up on the bulletin board with your contact info.

Scan the QR code to register your child for VBS!



WEDNESDAY SUPPER

To make reservations, please sign up by filling out insert in Sunday's bulletin or call the church office by **Monday, May 22nd no later than noon.** We will start serving at 5:30 pm.



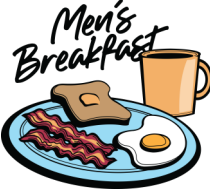
The Menu for May 24th:

Chicken Tenders, Mac & Cheese, Potato Salad, Green Beans, 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.

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!



New to Washington? Would you like to know more about us?

Every month, our pastors host an event called Washington 101. This is a special time for new members or guests to ask questions and learn more about our church. The next Washington 101 will be May 25th at 7pm in the Sanctuary. Please call the church office or sign up online by Monday, May 22nd if you are interested. We look forward to meeting with you!

Don't throw away your used Sunday School Material!

As our Spring Quarter ends please remember to recycle your Sunday School literature. 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.

We are in need of all spring and summer clothing. Especially children's clothes in all sizes. Thank you for your support!
—Evelyn Lynn

Clothes Closet



THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:

Sunday, May 21st-	
8:30 am	First Morning Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
10:45 am	Second Morning Worship Service-Graduation Recognition
4:00 pm	Heaven Bible Study-Room 304
4:00-6:00 pm	Constitution Committee Meeting-Small Conf. Room
6:00 pm	Children's Missions Coronation
Monday, May 22nd-	
6:00 am	Men's Morning Bible Study– Lg. Conference Rm. Men's Prayer Time-Room 211
Wednesday, May 24th	
5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Supper-Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	The Sonshine Gang-Room 324
6:45-8:00 pm	Handbell Rehearsal-Handbell Room
7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting Youth Bible Study RA's/GA's & Mission Friends Young Adult Ministry-New Parlor Adult Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm	
Thursday, May 25th-	
7:00 pm	Washington 101– Sanctuary
Saturday, May 27th-	
7:30 am	Men's Breakfast– Fellowship Hall
8:00-9:30 am	Food Pantry Open-By appointment only (USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)

May 14, 2023

Sunday School Attendance	366
Church Attendance	AM 441 PM No Service
Sunday's Offering:	\$19,848.41
Online Giving 5/10-5/16:	\$12,149.00
Total Offerings Received:	\$31,997.41
Budget Offering Received	\$30,522.41
Budget Offering Required	\$29,300.00
Designated*	\$970.00
Kingdom Vision (Including memorials)	\$945.00
Food Pantry	\$25.00
Reimbursements	\$505.00
Wed. Supper (5/10)	\$504.00
Envelopes	\$1.00

*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.



Hello Sunday School members.


Hope everyone is doing great. We are having a great year in Sunday School and thank you for attending each week.


This coming quarter for those who are studying Explore The Bible series, you will be in the books of Jeremiah and Lamentations. The first session, God sent Jeremiah to his people in Judah’s darkest hour. He proclaimed God’s word faithfully at great personal cost for more than forty years, delivering God’s messages to an often hostile audience. In session two you will be studying the book of Lamentations. Lamentations mourns for the just punishment that God brought on Judah for its sin of turning away from Him. The writer ask that God would remember and restore Judah.

For the Bible Studies for Life studies, in the first session you will be studying ‘Mentoring: Investing in Others’. We strengthen our relationships as we help one another walk wisely and in step with Christ. As the body of Christ, we are to support one another in being the men and women of God we’re called to be. In session two you will be studying ‘Set Apart: The Holiness of God’. The emphasis in this study is in sanctification, what it means to live set apart in God and growing to be more like Christ. As our walk with Christ deepens, our lives increasingly point to Christ, the one who has set us apart. We live unashamed of who we are in Christ.

Hope you enjoy each of these studies. I look forward to seeing you each week in Sunday School. If you have a need in Sunday School. Please let me know.

Your friend in Christ,
Love, Barbara





NEWS FROM THE WMU MINISTRY TEAM-

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!

ATTENTION ALL LADIES and GIRLS that are interested in missions!!!! Our next WMU meeting will be held on Monday evening, June 5 at 6:30-8 pm in the church fellowship hall. We will have a brief business meeting to plan what night to meet next church year, discuss our mission projects, and helpers, and work on jump ropes to put in our Operation Christmas Child boxes. We will have pizza and dessert for refreshments. Ladies, you do not have to bring anything, but can make a donation toward the pizza if you wish. Please sign up on the WMU bulletin board so we know how many pizzas to buy. We hope to see you there!

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Dear Washington Baptist Church Family! We need your help! We are collecting old clean tee shirts. Any color or size will do. Please put your donations in the WMU receptacles that are located throughout the church. We also are collecting bottle caps. You nay put those at the WMU receptacles also. We are needing these items for Operation Christmas Child boxes. Thanks so much for your support!

Servants of Christ, The WMU Ministry Team



On this warm summer day, Lord, may we lie back in your love, like on a sunny beach near singing waves, or in shady grass under a whispering tree.

**Gifts to the Church**

....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Carolyn Dryden by Ronnie & Gale Knight, Cornerstone Sunday School Class, Stuart & Rita Williams, Keengers, Barbara Fowler, Jim & Shirley Brown and Don & Sherrie Brown.

.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of David Oliver by Lou Ellen Barnett’s Sunday School Class and Jim & Shirley Brown.

.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Sharon Drummond by Richie & Sonya Bradshaw.

**PRAYER FOCUS** - Colorado: Dennis McDaniel and his wife, Megan, are together planting Calvary Las Animas Church in Las Animas, Colorado. "Pray lives in our community would be changed through our ongoing ministry to those living with drug and alcohol addiction. Pray we would be able to start a youth ministry in our community. Pray we would find housing for our family of eight."

**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



**Meredith Moore by Statement**


**MEMORIAL DAY**

**REMEMBER AND HONOR**

The Church Office will be closed on Monday May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.

*“But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.”*

*~Philippians 4:19*



Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.

Deuteronomy 15:11, KJV

**Sunday, May 21st:**

**Extended Session Workers:**

8:30 am– Lisa Chisam, Maddi & Macie Hanley

10:45 am– *Babies*- Nell Eastland, Tammy McAbee and Meredith Moore

*1 yr. olds*- Haley Perry and Alicia Sterritt

*2&3 yr. olds*- Elizabeth & Brad Miller

6:00 pm- Stuart and Amanda Boone

**Computer Check In:**

8:30 am- Roxanne Bruce

Sunday School- Amy Baker

10:45 am- Katelyn Strange

**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-Mitchell Whiteside

10:30-12:00-Gene Tapp

5:30-7:30-Mitchell Whiteside

**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

8:15-10:30-Ronnie Barbare

10:30-12:00-Ralph Howard

(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-Ralph Howard

**CHILDREN/PRESCHOOL AREA**

**LOCK ALL DOORS AT 6:05**

5:45-7:00-Jim Cason

**VIDEO SURVEILLANCE-LOCATED FOOD PANTRY AREA**

8:15-10:30-Gregg Moore

10:30-12:00-Jeff Green

5:45-7:00-Jeff Green

**GOLF CART**

8:00-12:00-Ross Skinner/JJ Mathis

5:30-7:00-Ross Skinner/JJ Mathis

**WEDNESDAY, May 24th:**

**VESTIBULE**-6:45-8:00-Joe Aughtry

**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-Richard Bagwell

Notes



**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!

**Uganda Children’s Choir in Concert here at Washington Sunday, July 30, 6:00 PM!** You will love this energetic choir of children and students that will bless you! Invite others to come!

I love serving with all of you!

Dave

Dave@washingtonbaptist.org

**-Kubasko Korner-**

**Now What: The Church in Crisis - Gnosticism (II Timothy 4:2-4, Matthew 7:7-23)**

The Church has always had to fight for Truth. Christ tells us to “Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves” while He is “the Way, the Truth, and the Life.” We, then, as believers, are Truth seekers, and our source is God’s Word. Paul tells us in II Timothy that the Scriptures are inspired, “breathed out,” by God, and are profitable to our lives. In Hebrews, God’s Word is compared to a sword that cuts to reveal our hearts and implant Truth in us. Truth, however, is not always easy to see in the moment, and hindsight is always easier for us recognize what is true. History tells us the Church was often attacked within, and Paul himself wrote that “the time will come when they will not tolerate sound doctrine” and instead turn with itching ears to teachers who will turn them away from Truth to silly myths. Certainly the most dangerous of these in the early church was the heresy of Gnosticism, which claimed Jesus was not God and that true redemption was only found by your own experience and perception. In fact, it was so pervasive that the church father Irenaeus wrote a five book work called “Against Heresies” to disprove the Gnostics. The conflict continued all the way until the Council of Nicea in 325 AD.

God was faithful in providing for His Church in faithful teaching and providential care. Gnosticism faded away, but there is a lesson to be learned from this era. First, to be armed in Truth at all times, “ready to give a defense” for the Scriptures (I Peter 3:15). Second, we must be ready to use God’s Word like the Bereans to test everything around us, especially things that are claiming to be godly, and defend Truth (Acts 17:10-12). Jesus told us in Matthew 7:21-23 that not all who say “Lord, Lord” will enter heaven. We often miss that the repetition of that word means the one who says it is convinced they are wielding Truth, and tell of all they have done in Truth’s name. But Jesus Himself has said He is the Way...He is the Gate...the narrow way, and those that love Him will do His will and be steeped in His Scriptural Truth. Are you ready to defend Truth?

In the Service of Christ,  
Braxton  
Braxton@washingtonbaptist.org

**Moore News....**

I want to remind everyone about our summer schedule. I am excited as we have a lot planned, so please make sure you pick one up from the youth room.

I have listed below a few upcoming dates for you to remember.

5/21 – Centrifuge payments are due.

5/24 – Nacho Night & Color War - 7pm – 8pm

6/7 – Summer Celebration @ the picnic shelter – 6:30pm – 8:30pm

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