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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



Scan QR
code to
register
now!



Mark your calendars! SAM Camp is Monday - Thursday, July 13-16, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. We are so excited for this wonderful week in Sports, Art and Music where we will be learning about The Amazing Love of Jesus! Children who are rising 2nd graders (just finished first grade) to rising 7th graders (just completed 6th grade) can participate.

Children may register up until the day camp begins; however, you must register by June 26 (date extended) to be guaranteed a (free) t-shirt. T-shirt signup sheets are on the bulletin board (you still much register on-line).

We are still in need of one more Team Leader. There is no planning or preparation needed – just show up and help take the children from one activity to another. Please pray about this need and if you feel led to help, please contact Toni Johnson at 864-421-7674

School supplies are on sale now!

We need your help in stocking up for the packing party



Collecting school supplies at great prices is one way we are able to fill hundreds of shoeboxes and reach hundreds of children and their families with the good news of Jesus Christ!



Most wanted items:
composition books, crayons, colored pencils & markers

Shop Staples, Walmart, Target or Amazon for the best prices.

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)

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!



PRESCHOOL VBS

JULY 13th – 16th

9:00 AM UNTIL NOON

AGES: 3 YEARS (BY SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2025) -

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 864-270-1331 to volunteer or for more info.

You may also leave contact info on the bulletin board sign-up sheet.

Sign-ups for registration is open now. Scan QR codes or go to the church website.

NEEDED: 3 Craft Leaders and 3 Game Leaders.



Annual Deacon- Sponsored
Ice Cream/Dessert Fellowship

Sunday, July 12th @ 6pm

Sign up on the bulletin board outside of the History Room.

Bring your favorite Ice Cream or Dessert! Deacons will be in the Fellowship Hall at 4:00 so bring your ice cream ready to be churned or bring already churned by 5:30 pm.



For July, we're going to try to plan a Movie Day Field Trip! It's been awhile. Please plan to join us at Regal Cherrydale Theater on Tuesday, July 28th to see 'Young Washington'. On Tuesday's, it's \$6.99 admission.

Recently released, the film covers a 12-year period of young George Washington's life, from his time as a surveyor to his experiences in the French and Indian War, highlighting his struggles, failures, and growth as a leader. Based on the theater's scheduling, we're not yet sure if the movie will continue through the end of the month. If it's no longer in theaters, our backup plan will be to still have movie day, but at church instead, where we'll watch 'Believe in Me'.

We'll update with times and scheduling as we get closer and know the theater's schedule. We hope you'll join us!

June 28, 2026

Sunday School Attendance:	318
Church Attendance:	AM 380 PM 58
Sunday's offering:	\$15,283.00
Online Giving 6/25-7/1 :	\$7,630.50
Total Offerings Received:	\$22,913.50
Budget Offering Received	\$20,434.50
Budget Offering Required	\$30,566.00
Designated*:	\$2,479.00
Kingdom Vision (Includes memorials)	\$1,045.00
Utah Mission Trip	\$925.00
Food Pantry	\$200.00
Gifts to Jesus	\$150.00
Hammer & Nails	\$50.00
OCC Shoeboxes	\$109.00
Reimbursements:	-0-

July 5, 2026

Sunday School Attendance:	309
Church Attendance:	AM 415 PM 143
Sunday's offering:	\$26,024.03
Online Giving 7/1-7/8 :	\$9,992.50
Total Offerings Received:	\$36,016.53
Budget Offering Received	\$32,420.50
Budget Offering Required	\$30,566.00
Designated*:	\$3,596.03
Kingdom Vision (Includes memorials)	\$1,425.00
Utah Mission Trip	\$620.00
Food Pantry	\$470.00
OCC Shoeboxes– VBS Offering	\$1,031.03
Lottie Moon Offering	\$50.00
Reimbursements:	-0-

*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.

Trent’s Two Cents:

Our Utah Mission Team will leave on Saturday, July 18th to support the ministry of Rev. Jason Parker and Redemption Church Bear River, as they seek to reach the people in the Bear River Valley with the gospel of Jesus Christ. The mission team will host various outreach events to make connections in the community. The people of Utah will be celebrating Pioneer Day while our team is there. Pioneer Day is a celebration commemorating the settlement of the Salt Lake Valley. This event should result in more people being in the area, presenting more opportunities to witness. Please pray for Fred Brown, Teri Hannon, Braxton Kubasko, Bonnie Mussman, David O’Shields, Donna Parker, and Hugh Sistare as they faithfully obey the Lord’s call to minister to the people of Utah. Pray for safety as they travel, for their health and strength, and for the Holy Spirit to work in a mighty way as they model the love of Christ and speak the Gospel of Christ.

Your Pastor,
Trent
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Washington Kids



KIDS Event Schedule

~Washington Baptist

JULY 13-16	PRESCHOOL VBS & SAM CAMP in the Children's Wing (PVBS) & Gym (SAM) at 9am
AUG. 5	BACK-TO-SCHOOL PARTY at the Picnic Shelter at 7:00pm
AUG. 12	MISSION FRIENDS BACK-TO-SCHOOL PARTY at the Picnic Shelter at 7:00pm
AUG. 16	AWANA BEGINS in the Fellowship Hall at 5:00pm

Washington Baptist Church

Ministry Fair

Then I said, "Here I am!
Send me."
Isaiah 6:8b

FIND YOUR PLACE!



6 PM
AUGUST 9
2026
FELLOWSHIP HALL

TO THE COMMUNITY
TO THE COUNTRY
TO THE NATIONS
FOR THE GOSPEL
WASHINGTON SERVES



HANDS TO SERVE

hearts to love

Gifts to the Church:
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory Ronnie Styles by Richard Spearman’s Sunday School Class.
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Jan Frasure by Alinda Mahaffey.



MISSIONS @WBC

This month we will collect loose leaf notebook paper, pencils, and paper towels for Greer/Blue Ridge Christian Learning Centers. These donations will be presented at our August WMU meeting to Joe Price (Learning Center Board of Director) and Ally Rathbone (Bible Teacher). They will share about the work of the Learning Centers and the upcoming addition to the building! The WMU is inviting men to join us for this special evening! The meal will be potluck and will be a great time to gather and learn about mission work in our own community! Please join us at 6:30 pm on August 4 in the church fellowship hall for this celebration of God’s Work in our area!
We hope to see you there!



Thanks go out to all who came out to support the missions work of Kerry and Neltia on Tuesday night! It was a great evening of and learning about missionary work! The food, and fellowship added to the celebration!! Thanks so much Washington Baptist Church for your donations of note-books, used magazines, and gift certificates! If you were unable to get your donation turned in, you can still do so. You can still turn in used magazines and gift certificates. Please contact Nan Spearman. Thanks so much for your support for this wonderful ministry!



Servants of Christ, The WMU Ministry Team

Bus Drivers - any church member (ages 21-70 with valid SC driver's license) who is interested in being available as a bus driver for church events, please contact David O'Shields.





GriefShare

GriefShare Fall Sessions:
For those who have lost a loved one by death.
Wednesday Evening 6:15-7:45 pm
OR Thursday Morning 10:00-11:30 am
Room 301—Cost is \$20
Register at griefshare.org
For more information contact Doug Noland @ 821-222-9291



“Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”
LUKE 23:42

Sunday, July 12th:
Extended Session Workers:
8:30 am- Abby Butts, Sarah Coker and Amanda Brown
10:45 am—OPEN, Brandi & Madison Atkins and Jessica & Emmie O’Bryant
6:00 pm—No Service
Computer Check-In:
8:30 am-Katelyn Strange
Sunday School—Ross da Silva
10:45 am-Travis Barbare
6:00 pm—Marvin Woodward
Ushers for July:
Chris O’Bryant, Jim Brown, Steve Church and Mitchell Whiteside (meet in vestibule by 8:20)
Safety Team:
Vestibule
8:15-10:30-Freddy Lindley
10:30-12:00-Byron Henson
5:30-7:00—Mitchell Whiteside
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-Ray Steadman
5:00-7:00-John Forrester
Youth Doors
8:15-10:30-Ronnie Barbare
10:30-12:00-Will Ayers
Video Surveillance Room
8:15-10:30—Gregg Moore
10:30-12:00-Jeff Green
5:45-7:00—Jeff Green
Golf Cart
8:00-12:00- Harold Wade/Benjamin Van Patton
5:30-7:00— Benjamin Van Patton
Wednesday - July 15th:
Vestibule
6:45-8:00-Kenny Hughes
Children
6:45-8:00-Mike O’Bryant
Youth Doors
6:45-8:00-Daniel Ross
Golf Cart
6:30-8:00-Claudia Burkhalter
Video Surveillance Room
6:45-8:00-Gregg Moore
Children’s Check In-6:00pm-

PRAYER FOCUS - All Missionaries: Lift up summer missionaries serving stateside and overseas. Pray God would empower these young adults to be bold witnesses for Him. Pray they would express servant hearts and desire to be learners. (Source: Missions Mosaic, Prayer Patterns, page 57, Summer 2026)

A word from Brother Steve...

Many thanks to the choir for the extra work preparing the patriotic music for last week. We will be (if the Lord tarries) sharing much more in the coming months.

Keenagers: please take note of the change of time this month for our meeting AND the movie morning. Firstly, we will meet on July 21 @ 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Our guest will be Paul Green - author and retired police detective. He will be sharing about the history of Greer. Then on Tuesday, July 28 we will plan to meet at Cherrydale movie theatre for a movie day field trip. On Tuesday it's just \$6.99 to view the movie. Should the theatre no longer have this movie - "Young Washington" we will meet @ church. Please note: We will update you as the time grows nearer. PLEASE SIGN - UP ON THE BULLETIN BOARD so we will have a correct count for the meal.

Bro. Steve
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~Kubasko Korner~

In the top three of my favorite hymns sits “Before the Throne of God Above.” It’s a song that I have sung my whole life from childhood, and the words are always extremely convicting, encouraging, and comforting for me. The song itself comes from two different women separated by about 100 years. The first of these Charitie Lees Smith, an Irish poet who penned these words in 1863 at age 22 based on the Irish Revival of 1859 that she had experienced. Each of the stanzas speaks of the accomplished and continued work of Christ in the life of the Christian, touching first on the sacrifice & priesthood of Jesus before going to His work of assurance in our lives as well as the security we have in Him. Passing away in 1923, Charitie’s poem sat in relative obscurity until the 1990s when Vicki Cook found the text in 1997. While the text had at points had been sung to other tunes, Vicki immediately began working on a tune that she felt matched the hopeful lyrics she had read. The result is the song we know today - one that has existed 30 of my 33 years on earth and becomes more encouraging to me every time I sing it. Drawing from at least 14 scriptures, this song is bathed in the reality of Christ’s work in us to save us, change us, encourage us, secure us, and preserve us. I’ll put the words below, and I hope that they encourage you as much as they do me.

*Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is love Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart,
I know that while in heav’n He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart*

*When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died my sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me*

*Behold Him there, the risen Lamb - my perfect, spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace.
One with Himself, I cannot die - my soul is purchased by His blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God*

In the Service of Christ,
Braxton Kubasko
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MOORE NEWS!

I thank God for how He worked in and through our youth event, Rooted & Reaching. It was such a blessing to watch our youth serve our community, minister to our members through prayer, and evangelize the lost.

Before we left last Wednesday afternoon to reach people in downtown Greer with the gospel, I asked everyone to raise their hand if they were scared. Almost everyone raised their hand. I read Acts 4:29-31, and we prayed a similar prayer, asking the Lord to give us the same boldness so that we could go share the gospel. The Lord answered that prayer as I saw our youth split up into small groups and talk to anyone they could find about Jesus and His gospel. In all, we talked to 54 people about Christ. Some rejected immediately, some rejected but took a gospel tract, and many listened and let us pray with them. May the Lord bless our efforts to reach the lost.

-Matthew Moore
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