

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Ann Caldwell, organist; Alice Ridgeway, pianist
Vineville Brass, Kelly Graves, director

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

8:30 AND 10:45 AM



Prelude	<i>Chorale from Suite Gothique</i>	Boëllmann
Welcome		Richard Kremer
Music for Meditation	<i>People Need the Lord</i>	Women's Ensemble
All are encouraged to use this time as intentional preparation for the worship of God.		
Invocation		Kathy Kendrick
*Hymn 366	<i>O God Beyond All Praising</i>	THAXTED
Children are invited to gather at the front as we sing the final stanza		
Children's Sermon		Harry Moody and Norma Thompson
The Lord's Prayer		
Ministry of Music	<i>Just A Closer Walk with Thee</i> Kelly Graves, string bass	arr. Lojeski
Scripture Reading	Luke 9:23-25	Angela Blizzard
Pastoral Prayer		Richard Kremer
*Hymn 68	<i>He Leadeth Me</i>	HE LEADETH ME
Offertory Prayer		Angela Blizzard
Offertory	<i>Prayer</i>	Boëllmann
Scripture Reading	2 Corinthians 9:6-8	Richard Kremer
Ministry of Music	<i>Raise Your Hands</i>	Women's Ensemble
Sermon	"The Privilege of Giving"	Richard Kremer
*Hymn of Response 665	<i>Because I Have Been Given Much</i>	SEMINARY
Church Conference		
*Celebrations and Concerns		Richard Kremer
*Benediction		Richard Kremer
Postlude	<i>Menuet Gothique</i>	Boëllmann

CELEBRATIONS!

At the end of both morning worship services today we will go into a brief business session for the purpose of hearing from the Search Committee for Minister to Music and Youth. As I noted last Sunday, the Search Committee is presenting to the congregation in view of a call the name of Angela Blizzard to fill this position. Angela has been serving as the youth minister and interim minister of music since April, and I know that you join me in affirming her call to become our permanent full time minister of music and youth. Again, we want to give thanks to this committee of May Kay Smith, chair, Jeanne Easom, Harold McAbee, Cindy Ortiz, and Kent Russell.

Personnel Chair Chuck Whitehead will also bring a recommendation that we hire Brianna Pylant as our music and youth intern. Brianna served us so ably this past summer as our CBF ministerial intern, and she will now be working in the dual areas of music and youth to help lighten Angela's load. The church has often had a music and youth intern in the past – indeed, Angela filled this position years ago when she first came to Vineville Baptist. This music and youth intern position would allow Brianna to work up to 20 hours a week, at an hourly wage of \$10 an hour. However, because Brianna is presently engaged in the arduous task of student teaching, her hours of service to the church this fall will be limited. She hopes to work between 6 and 8 hours a week, depending upon her schedule and when Angela most needs her. Once Brianna completes her student teaching in December, she will be available to work more hours at the church.

We celebrate this morning the calling of Angela and Brianna. We also welcome Brianna as our newest member, since she joined the church by transfer of letter last Sunday. We will hold a short reception for Angela and Brianna next Sunday in the guest reception room, following our 10:45 communion service, when we will present new members.

Incidentally, next Sunday is World Communion Sunday, and churches all over the world will be observing communion on this day. Angela had the fabulous idea of asking people to read Scripture related to communion in a variety of languages and we have had several folks step forward to volunteer. So be sure to be here next Sunday when we will “speak in tongues” during the 10:45 am communion service.

Speaking of communion, the church council voted last Sunday to restore communion to the 8:30 am service. Some time prior, the church council had voted to combine services on communion Sunday, but several of the regular early service attenders have lobbied to resume observing communion during the early service. The Church Council recognized that there are a variety of special occasions when will we combine the morning services, particularly during the Thanksgiving and Christmas season. But this change will allow six more Sundays each year when will hold both 8:30 am and 10:45 am worship services.

Special thanks to various groups who have fulfilled extra duties this week, including the Vineville Baptist Golf Tournament committee and the group that provided a Friday lunch for Ethlyn Banks and her family in the wake of her daughter's death.

Thanks also to all the participants in the Parenting Covenant Group. Attendance has been fabulous and Melissa is looking forward to one more week of convening the group this Wednesday at 6:15- 7:15 pm. They may also meet one Wednesday in October so that Barbara Jones can canvas the parents, particularly the parents of children, as to what they would find most helpful in crafting a ministry to children. Parents of children are encouraged to attend, even if they haven't been able to attend the parenting series.

A word from your pastor,
Dr. Richard Kremer

SYMPATHY

We extend Christian sympathy to the following families: Ethlyn Banks and her family in the death of her daughter, Beverly Cowart. Bobby and Claire Whitaker and their family in the death of Bobby's mother, Suzann Newberry Whitaker.

NEW MEMBER

Brianna Pylant



Free Admission!

UBC FALL BAZAAR

Friday, October 7 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Spaghetti Supper \$6 Eat in or take out Reservations needed: 743-9366

(Shops are open Friday and Saturday)

Saturday, October 8 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Eddie's Famous Grilled Chicken Plate (Saturday Lunch)

Vineville Baptist Church
2591 Vineville Ave. Macon

Non-profit Fundraiser

2016 FALL BAZAAR

Tickets for the **spaghetti supper** are available at the church office between Sunday services and during the week. The supper is Friday, October 7, from 5-8 pm. Adults- \$6.00, Children 10 and under - \$3.00. In-house and take-out. Reservations only.

We are also taking **casserole orders**. Let us help with your holiday cooking!

Bring your **homemade baked goods** early Friday. Bakery items sell out quickly so we appreciate as many donations as possible.

Bookmarks, flyers, posters are available in the Sunday School departments or from the church office. You are the best publicity!

Deacons needed for assistance on the floor.

Steering Committee for countdown meeting Sunday, Sept. 25, 4 :00 pm, Room M-106.

XYZ

Christmas Tour of the Rock Ranch – Monday, December 19, 2016 – 4:30 P.M. -- 9:00 P.M. Total cost: \$35.00. Reservations due by November 20th. We will leave the Vineville Avenue parking lot at 4:30 P.M. for our special Christmas time at the Rock Ranch. Our dinner will be served in the beautifully decorated Truett's Barn. After dinner we will load the wagon for a Christmas Light Display of the ranch. Later you will have time for some last minute Christmas shopping in the unique gift shop. Be sure to dress warmly. Your ticket includes motor coach transportation, dinner, tour of the ranch and all gratuities.

YOUTH

Today: Youth choir will begin at 4:00 pm, dinner at 5:00 pm, and we will be creating and preparing for the fall bazaar children's activities until 6:15 pm.

Wednesday: Mark 10: "Humility"

Fall Retreat: Youth and chaperones will meet at VBC at 5:00 pm on Friday, September 30th for fall retreat. Information letters (including packing list) have been sent to youth who have signed up for the event. If your youth is planning on bringing a tent, please let Angela know how many people can sleep in the tent. We are excited for this weekend of rest and renewal!

Next Sunday: There will be no youth afternoon activities following fall retreat.

Fall Bazaar: Youth volunteers are needed for Fall Bazaar on Friday night and Saturday morning, October 7th and 8th. Please let Angela know if you are able to assist in this ministry opportunity.

YOU ARE INVITED

Rick Wilson has served as a Mercer professor of Theology since 1988. Since late 2013 Rick Wilson has been President at the Liberia Baptist Theological Seminary--on loan from Mercer University. In October, Rick Wilson will make his 20th trip to Liberia since early 2007. On November 6 and 13, Rick will continue to share his experiences and in particular, how his thinking about Liberia has changed. The classes will meet in the Guest Reception Room during Bible Study and are open to everyone.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Vineville Baptist Music Ministry is looking for singers and instrumentalists who may be interested in joining our adult choir and instrumental ensemble. If you are interested in connecting with the music ministry and leading with us in worship, please contact Angela Blizzard, 478-262-4600 or ablizzard@vbcmacon.org. This is a great time to join as we are beginning to prepare for our Christmas musical!

THANKSGIVING BOXES

From now until Thanksgiving, we will be collecting food items for our Thanksgiving boxes. There is a box located outside the church office for your donations. Thank you for helping many needy families enjoy this season of the year!

HIGHER LIFE NEEDS

Our Higher Life Center needs clean gallon milk, juice, or water jugs for a Halloween project. You may bring them to the church library or leave them outside the back door of the Higher Life Center.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 7-8

Fall Bazaar

November 20

Church-wide Thanksgiving Meal
following the 10:45 am service

THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

Sunday, September 25

- 8:30 AM Early Service
- 9:15 AM Media Library
- 9:35 AM Joint Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Worship
- 2:30 PM Handbells
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir
- 4:00 PM Fall Bazaar Committee Meeting
- 6:30 PM Youth Committee Meeting

Monday, September 26

No Activities

Tuesday, September 27

- 10:30 am Exercise/Stretching Class

Wednesday, September 28

- 9:00 AM Media Library
- 5:30 PM Vineville Brass
- 5:30 PM Family Supper
- 6:00 PM Children's Choirs
- 6:15 PM Media Library
- 6:15 PM Parenting Covenant Group
- 6:30 PM Family Worship
- 6:45 PM Mission Friends
- 6:45 PM Kingdom Kids
- 6:45 PM Youth Bible Study
- 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 29

- 10:30 AM Exercise/Stretching Class

Friday, September 30

No Activities

Sunday, October 2

- 8:30 AM Early Service Communion
- 9:15 AM Media Library
- 9:35 AM Bible Study
- 10:45 AM Worship/Communion
- 12:00 PM Reception for Angela
and Brianna
- 2:30 PM Handbells
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir
- 5:00 PM SNYF

A TRIBUTE TO OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

We would like to update our framed plates which represent members or previous members of Vineville who served in the military. The frame is in the ante-room and will be hung in the near future. Please read the names that are currently displayed and share with our church office those names who should be included.

DEACON OF THE WEEK

The Deacon of the Week is John Fry, Jr. Next week is Kelly Graves.

REPORT AS OF SEPTEMBER 18

ATTENDANCE

Bible Study	223
8:30 Worship	36
10:45 Worship	212

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Gifts	\$10,590
Budget Gifts (YTD)	\$583,244
Budget Required (YTD)	\$772,816
YTD% Budget Giving	75.5%
Following Christ 2 (YTD)	\$11,735

OUR STAFF

Richard Kremer	Pastor
Angela Blizzard	Interim Minister of Music
Angela Blizzard	Minister to Youth
Loyd Landrum	Minister of Music Emeritus
Peggy Jones	Financial Administrator
Jody Thornton	Administrative Assistant
Ginny Ferguson	Receptionist
Sandra Head	Music Ministry Coordinator
Tonia Boyd	Weekday Morning School
Rhea Patrick & Sherry Williams	Co-Teachers of Higher Life

OUR LAY LEADERSHIP

Church Council	John Fry, Jr.	477-1295
Deacon Ministry	Mark Wood	957-7540
Grief Ministry	Harry Moody	477-4186
Media Center	Carol Lincoln	743-9366
Men's Ministry	Todd Smith	474-6333
Missions	Jim Jones	757-8411
Preschool	Bobbie Scarbrough	254-4595
Senior Adults-XYZ	Jackie Odom	746-1716
Sunday School	Jeane Easom	719-1289
WMU	Cris Williamson	719-1581