



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Ann Caldwell, organist; Don Kendrick, pianist
Vineville Brass, Kelly Graves, director

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 13, 2017
8:30 AND 10:45 AM

Prelude	<i>March in E-flat</i>	Schreiner
Welcome		Richard Kremer
Music for Meditation	<i>Jesus Is Lord</i>	JESUS IS LORD
All are encouraged to use this time as intentional preparation for the worship of God.		
Invocation		Jim Jones
*Hymn 419	<i>Jesus Is Lord</i>	JESUS IS LORD
Children are invited to gather at the front as we sing the final stanza		
Children's Sermon		Stacy Whitehead
The Lord's Prayer		
Presentation of New Members		Richard Kremer
Ministry of Music	<i>The Savior Is Waiting</i>	John Fry, Sr.
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 58:6-11	Annabelle Whitehead
*Hymn 163	<i>Wonderful Words of Life</i>	WORDS OF LIFE
*Offertory Prayer		Angela Blizzard
Offertory	<i>Oh, Rest in the Lord</i>	Mendelssohn
Scripture Reading	Luke 8:34-39	Richard Kremer
Ministry of Music	<i>And the Father Will Dance!</i>	arr. Hayes
Communion Homily "Lord, Help Me Make Somebody Somebody"		Richard Kremer
Invitation to Table and Celebration of Communion		

*Hymn of Response 263 *To Worship, Work, and Witness*

HANKEY

Presentation of Deacon Emeriti Dr. Wilfred Platt

Mark Wood

Celebrations and Concerns

*Congregational Benediction *The Lord's Prayer*

MALOTTE, alt.

Postlude

Allegro Maestoso

Handel

SITTING ON A ROCK...IN THE RAIN

As I reflect back upon this extraordinarily busy summer, a singular image comes to mind – sitting on a rock, in the rain. It was the Wednesday afternoon of the picnic, and I had just trucked another load of supplies over to the pavilion, then taken my place on a rock at the head of the roundabout so I could give directions. Skies were blue, the afternoon seemed wonderfully hot and sunny all over Macon, save for one spot – the rock on which I was sitting. Like the old fellow in the Lil' Abner cartoon – and you have to be a certain age to even know what I am talking about – there seemed a single dark rain cloud above -- directly over me!

The time was about 5 pm, with the picnic scheduled for 5:30. I had already positioned Brianna at the entrance to the park to serve as a human directional marker, and both of us wondered, given the combination of heat and rain, would anybody show? I confess, anytime we attempt something new, I always wonder, will this work? Perhaps it has worked elsewhere in my ministry, but will it work here? Yet successful ministry always involves experimentation – always involves hope. But as I was sitting on my rock in the rain, with no cars coming through the park gate, I thought, this idea might prove a dud. Then the skies cleared.

The cars started arriving soon thereafter, some of them with folks who always come on Wednesday nights, others with folks who never come on Wednesday nights, but were attracted by the novelty of the occasion. Soon the large pavilion was filled with people fellowshiping together. Happy screams of the children emanated from the playground, and a sizable party was taking place. We had food aplenty, and under Angela's direction and Don Kendrick's playing, we sounded pretty good singing hymns under the pavilion.

One's enjoyment of food and music always seem enhanced by an outdoor setting. It was not long before we had a huge wiffle ball game and kickball game taking place in the open field. It was a scene of joyful community, the dynamic image of the family of God at play, the very scene I hoped to behold as I sat on my rock in the rain. As the word suggests, at its best, "recreation" is "re-creation," and I think we all felt a bit revived in spirit from sharing this picnic together. Harold Hicks, our jack of all trades, and I met back at the church, restoring tables and items back to their rightful place. Harold said to me, "You know, Dr. Kremer, it is good a thing now and again to do something different." My sentiments, exactly, Harold. Sometimes you just have to take a risk.

As I return to you from vacation, my hope and prayer is that we will continue to take risks in behalf of the Gospel. The Kingdom of God is an endeavor based on faith, calling us to bold acts of investment and service and summoning us to issue bold invitations to those around us to join our family of God.

Speaking of Brianna, I have not had a chance to commend her in print for her ministry among us over the past year as intern to music and youth. While we recognized her publicly on the Sunday of July 23rd, I want to thank her for the selfless way she approached her position, evincing a willingness to do whatever was necessary, whether it was chaperoning a children's trip to Passport, helping supervise a lock in, or serving as a human direction sign in the alternating rain and heat. On the Sunday afternoon at Sky Zone, I watched the youth huddled around her and witnessed yet again how important her influence continues to be in their lives. Even though she is no longer formally employed by us, I hope and pray that she will continue to be a vital member in our church family for years to come. Thank you, Brianna – and God bless you in your new work!

A word from your pastor,
Dr. Richard Kremer

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given in celebration of Frances McNorrill for her 85th birthday on August 10 by her husband, Jim.

JOB LISTING FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTER

Vineville Baptist Church is seeking a part-time Minister to Children and Young Families. This person will provide leadership for comprehensive ministry among children ages birth through sixth grade, along with providing direction and guidance to parents and lay leaders. This person will participate fully with church staff, including staff and Children's Team planning, worship leadership, and support of the larger ministry of the church. A commitment of 15-20 hours per week is expected, including Sundays and Wednesdays. Résumés with cover letters may be submitted to Candace Fry, chair, at vbccchildrenresume@gmail.com.

YOUTH

Today: Tie-dying and rock painting from 4:00-5:30 pm. at VBC.

Wednesday: Youth Bible Studay at 6:30 pm.

Next Sunday: Youth Choir resumes at 4:00 pm.

Save the Date: Youth Fall Retreat, October 13 through 15 at Indian Springs State Park. Cost will be \$20.00.

XYZ

Christmas in the Smoky Mountains:

Motor coach transportation to Pigeon Forge November 7-9. The cost is \$365 per person for a double room and \$440 for a single room. A non-refundable deposit of \$100 is due by August 17 and the balance along with a medical form is due September 21.

VBC 43RD ANNUAL TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

Mark your calendar for our VBC 43rd Annual Tournament of Champions. The tournament will be held at Idle Hour Golf and Country Club on Monday, September 18. You can access a registration form on our website or from the church office. Our golf tournament offers a great way to promote your business! If you would like to sponsor a hole, a Hole Sponsor brochure is available in the church office, or you may contact Charles Schaible or Charles Jay,

Don't miss the fun, fellowship and incredible food at the banquet following the tournament. Many incredible prizes will be given away.

FALL BAZAAR 2017

Mark your calendar for our Steering Committee meeting which will be Sunday, August 13 at 4:00 pm in Room 106.

Please donate men's cotton casual shirts, short or long sleeves (button-up) to make aprons. These have become a popular item as nine aprons have already been sold!

Shelves are located outside of M-106 for any gently used items. Vintage items and small appliances are also needed.

YOU ARE INVITED

PR and Harry are moving away! Please join us in the Parlor today from 2:00-4:00 pm to wish them well. Light refreshments will be served. Your presence will be their present!

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to all who donated school supplies. Some of the schools that we were able to help included Northwoods, LH Williams and Alexander II elementary schools as well as Campus Clubs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 20

Youth Choir Resumes

August 24-26

Fall Children's Consignment Sale

Thursday: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Friday: 12:00 - 6:00 pm

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

September 18

VBC Golf Tournament

Lunch 11:00 am

PGA Golf Tips

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Golf: 12:45 pm

Dinner and Awards Ceremony: 6:30 pm

September 29-30

Fall Bazaar

Friday: 5:00 - 8:00 pm

(Spaghetti Supper and shops are open)

Saturday: 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

Sunday, August 13

8:30 am Early Service Communion

9:15 am Media Library

9:35 am Bible Study

10:45 am Worship/Communion

4:00 pm Youth Tie-Dye Party

Monday, August 14

No Activities

Tuesday, August 15

10:30 am Exercise/Stretching Class

2:00 pm XYZ Pizza Party

Wednesday, August 16

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

6:30 pm Family Worship

6:40 pm Mission Friends

6:40 pm Kingdom Kids

6:30 pm Youth Bible Study

7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 17

10:30 am Exercise/Stretching Class

12:00 pm XYZ Meeting

Friday, August 18

No Activities

Sunday, August 20

8:30 am Early Service

9:15 am Media Library

9:35 am Bible Study

10:45 am Worship

4:00 pm Youth Choir

5:00 pm SNYF

DEACON OF THE WEEK

The Deacon of the Week is Frieda Byrd. Next week is Respass Carr.

REPORT AS OF AUGUST 6

ATTENDANCE

Bible Study	186
8:30 Worship	31
10:45 Worship	187

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Offering	\$21,573
Following Christ 2 (YTD)	\$19,225

YTD Contributions	\$495,247
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OUR STAFF

Richard Kremer	Pastor
Angela Blizzard	Minister of Music
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Brianna Pylant	Music and Youth Intern
Peggy Jones	Financial Administrator
Jody Thornton	Administrative Assistant
Ginny Ferguson	Receptionist
Sandra Head	Music Ministry Coordinator
Tonia Boyd	Weekday Morning School
Kathy McCray & Sherry Williams	Co-Teachers of Higher Life

OUR LAY LEADERSHIP

Church Council	Todd Smith	474-6333
Deacon Ministry	Mark Wood	957-7540
Grief Ministry	Nell Jones	960-6195
Homebound	Ann Purser	477-7549
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
Women's Ministry	Susan Milam	714-0545