



# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
OCTOBER 22, 2017  
8:30 AND 10:45 AM

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| Prelude  | <i>Meditation on 'How Great Thou Art'</i>        | Zabel             |
| Welcome  |  | Angela Blizzard   |
| Music for Meditation   | <i>Change My Heart, O God</i>                    | arr. Tornquist    |
| All are encouraged to use this time as intentional preparation for the worship of God. |  |                   |
| Invocation   |  | Mark Wood         |
| *Hymn 602  | <i>In Loving-Kindness Jesus Came</i>             | HE LIFTED ME      |
| Children are invited to gather at the front as we sing the final stanza.               |  |                   |
| Children's Sermon  |  | Carol Lincoln     |
| The Lord's Prayer  |  |                   |
| Scripture Reading  | 2 Corinthians 9:6-8                              | Mark Wood         |
| Ministry of Music  | <i>This Is My Father's World</i>                 | VBC Treble Makers |
| Pastoral Prayer  |  | Richard Kremer    |
| * Hymn 671   | <i>God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending</i>         | BEACH SPRING      |
| Offertory Prayer   |  | Angela Blizzard   |
| Offertory  | <i>Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling</i>          | Cassler           |
| Scripture Reading  | Luke 21:1-4                                      | Richard Kremer    |
| Ministry of Music  | <i>Come, Thou Fount</i>                          | arr. Ijames       |
| Sermon   | "Why We Give Unto God"                           | Richard Kremer    |
| *Hymn of Response 665  | <i>Because I Have Been Given Much</i>            | SEMINARY          |
| *Celebrations and Concerns   |  | Richard Kremer    |
| *Benediction   |  | Richard Kremer    |
| *Postlude  | <i>Prelude on 'A Mighty Fortress Is Our God'</i> | Buxtehude         |

## CELEBRATIONS OVERFLOWING

Every Sunday provides special opportunities for encountering the reality of God and affirming our status as part of the family of God. But next Sunday, October 29, will be one of those Sundays when all manner of observances and celebrations converge.

The day's celebration will begin in the Sunday School hour, when all of the classes are invited to participate in a combined meeting in the gym. A light breakfast will be provided by Kathy Kendrick's class for this Fifth Sunday gathering, and Pat Wilkes has been enlisted to teach the morning lesson. I know she will provide us with a blessing. Remember: Sunday School actually starts at 9:35 am. So don't be late for breakfast.

Next Sunday is also All Saints' Day. During the morning worship services we will honor the memory of those members in our congregation who have passed from our presence into God's eternal fellowship. We will read the names of each deceased member and mark their passing with a tolling of the chimes. This solemn occasion never fails to convey the profound reminder that our faith is not for this life only.

Finally, next Sunday marks the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's nailing of his *95 Theses* to the castle church door in Wittenburg, Germany. This event is credited with marking the beginning of the Protestant Reformation from which our Baptist faith eventually emerged. Martin Luther's influence upon our understanding of redemption is incalculable, an influence I will try to communicate through the message, "An Idea that Changed the World."

Incidentally, my Wednesday evening lectures over the next few weeks will describe the world in which Luther lived and how he changed it. This man's fascinating genius has shaped every aspect of our practice of the Christian life, including, Christmas. Come fellowship with us and learn more about the heritage of your faith.

Children of the church, I will see you this coming Friday, October 27, starting at 6 pm. You should have received a letter describing what to bring and a consent form that we ask the parents to bring with them. Don't forget your "throwing socks!" Melissa and I look forward to a great evening with you.

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes have arrived. Most of you know what can and cannot be put in the boxes, but I will try to provide some detailed instructions of guidance in next week's Vision. We will present the shoeboxes in worship on Sunday, November 12, so be sure to bring yours to the church on time.

As I note in this Sunday's sermon, Thanksgiving will be upon us before we know it. In past years the WMU has collected food, particularly canned goods, for Thanksgiving meals that can be delivered to the needy. They want to continue that tradition. You can start bringing donations next week. Also, Eddie Wood and I have combined efforts to supplement these boxes of food with cooked turkeys. If you have the equipment and desire to help me during Thanksgiving week in frying some turkeys, please let me know.

Also, as you start your holiday shopping keep this in mind: those of you who shop on Amazon can designate the church as a recipient of an Amazon donation for each purchase you make on Amazon. For this to happen, you will need to make your purchase through AmazonSmile and designate the church as a beneficiary. We receive one-half of one percent of each purchase.

Finally, don't forget to be thinking about your Advent Devotional thought. This year's theme is favorite Christmas music. Reflect on your favorite Christmas song, sacred or secular, and think of how it has conveyed, and continues to convey, something of the wonder of the Christ gift to you. See you next Sunday!

A word from your pastor,  
Dr. Richard Kremer

## DONATIONS FOR OCTOBER YOUTH PROJECT

The youth will be collecting donations for a few items for mission projects for October. We are collecting travel-size hygiene items for homeless kindness kits, which include:

- 1) cotton swabs
- 2) toothbrushes/toothpaste
- 3) deodorant
- 4) mouth wash
- 5) shampoo
- 6) small body wash/soap
- 7) chapsticks
- 8) bandaids

We are collecting these items through today. We are also collecting small bags of candy for treat bags for Magnolia Manor. Anything donated can be placed in boxes in gym and outside Angela Blizzard's office. Thank you.

## YOUTH

**Today:** Youth choir at 4:00 pm, and dinner and missions until 6:30 pm this evening. If you have additional items for homeless kindness kits to bring, please do so tonight! Thank you to all who have donated.

**Wednesday:** We will explore Ecclesiastes 3 and 4, continuing to discuss our struggle between meaninglessness and seeing our lives as opportunities to serve God every day. Youth room, 6:30 pm.

**Next Sunday:** Youth choir at 4:00 pm followed by costume party and creating snack bags for Magnolia Manor. Dress up and bring candy, pretzels, snacks, etc. Youth can be picked up at 7:00 pm.

## XYZ

**November:** The XYZ meeting on November 16 will feature James Koerts, the worship leader at Mikado Baptist Church. James is a published composer and arranger, and many of his songs have been professionally recorded.

**December:** The December 21st meeting will feature “Boy Wonder”, Caleb Esmund who recently graduated high school and who is a piano virtuoso.

## BAZAAR GIFT SHOP

The Bazaar Gift Shop will be open every Wednesday at 5:00 pm. A hidden supply of *Vineville Vittles* has been discovered! Cookbooks are available in the Bazaar Gift Shop on Wednesday nights or when XYZ meets in October and November. Jeannette Comer’s handwritten *Favorite Foods for Family and Friends* is still available, also. Cookbooks are \$5.00 each.

## 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 [vbcchildrenresume@gmail.com](mailto:vbcchildrenresume@gmail.com).

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

It’s that time of year! Time to be a neighbor to a child somewhere in the world! It’s time to pack a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. Flyers are available in the anterooms. Shoeboxes are available Wednesday evenings at supper. The boxes are due to the church by November 12th when they will be blessed during the worship service. We sent out about 130 boxes last year.

## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Our Red Cross Blood Drive will be Thursday October 26 from 3:00-7:00 pm in Room M106. You may register online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) (sponsor code vbc), or call church office or Jennifer Kelly 719-4419 for appointment times or for questions.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **October 27-28**

Children's Sleepover (1st-6th grades)

### **October 29**

Combined Sunday School and Breakfast  
in the Gym

### **November 11**

Chill at the Grill at the Kremers

### **November 19**

Thanksgiving Service and Meal

### **December 3**

Advent Breakfast  
Hanging of the Green

## THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

### **Sunday, October 22**

8:30 am Early Service  
9:15 am Media Library  
9:35 am Bible Study  
10:45 am Worship  
2:30 pm Handbells  
4:00 pm Youth Choir  
5:00 pm SNYF

### **Monday, October 23**

No Activities

### **Tuesday, October 24**

10:30 am Exercise/Stretching Class

### **Wednesday, October 25**

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, October 26**

10:30 am Exercise/Stretching Class  
3:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive  
7:00 pm Young Adult Volleyball

### **Friday, October 27**

6:00 pm Children's Sleepover

### **Saturday, October 28**

9:00 am Children's Sleepover Ends

### **Sunday, October 29**

8:30 am Early Service (All Saints Day)  
9:15 am Media Library  
9:35 am Combined Sunday School  
and Breakfast in Gym  
10:45 am Worship (All Saints Day)  
2:30 pm Handbells  
4:00 pm Youth Choir  
5:00 pm SNYF

# DEACON OF THE WEEK

The Deacon of the Week is Jeane Easom. Next week is Charles Jay.

## REPORT AS OF OCTOBER 15

|                          |  |           |
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| ATTENDANCE               |  |           |
| Bible Study              |  | 164       |
| 8:30 Worship             |  | 30        |
| 10:45 Worship            |  | 158       |
| STEWARDSHIP              |  |           |
| Budget Offering          |  | \$9,137   |
| Following Christ 2 (YTD) |  | \$22,610  |
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| YTD Budget Contributions |  | \$640,973 |

## OUR STAFF

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