Prelude Prelude on Morning Has Broken Eckhardt

Welcome Angela Blizzard

Music for Meditation How Great Is Our God Medley Labenske
All are encouraged to use this time as intentional preparation for the worship of God.

Invocation Kevin Clark

*Hymn 323 How Great Thou Art HOW GREAT THOU ART Children are invited to gather at the front as we sing the final stanza.

Chileren's Sermon Jennifer Kelly

The Lord's Prayer

Ministry of Music Fairest Lord Jesus Vineville Brass

Scripture Reading Isaiah 42:5-9 Kevin Clark Connection verse - "To open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison!"

*Hymn 395 *Open My Eyes, That I May See* Scott

Offertory Prayer Angela Blizzard

Offertory Fantasia in G Bach

Scripture Reading Acts 9:10-19 Richard Kremer

Ministry of Music The Call Courtney

Sermon "The Strength of God" Richard Kremer

*Hymn of Response 640 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms SHOWALTER

Special Recognition Richard Kremer

*Pastoral Benediction Richard Kremer

Richard Kremer

Trumpet Processional

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Okay, Here Are the Answers

*Postlude

If the Seekers Sunday School class that I teach is any indication, most of you were unable to contact a river rafter for answers to the riddles that I posed in the Vision a couple of weeks ago. Moreover, you had little luck solving the riddles yourselves. So I have been asked to provide answers to the puzzlers. Here they are:

- 1)One truck driver killed another, but after interviewing all of the poker players, the police arrested no man. Why? The dealer with the knife was a woman.
- 2)A woman awakens to the sound of music. Recognizing the tune, she pulled out the gun she kept under her pillow and fired, killing a man. Why? Because the tune started when her expensive antique jewelry box was opened by an intruder attempting to steal the contents.
- 3) True story: while walking through his office a man reached into his pocket to find that his piece of hard candy had melted. He was intrigued and soon thereafter created a machine that is now in most households. Percy Le Baron Spencer, an engineer, worked in a plant that made radar equipment. Several workers noted that their food melted when they walked through the building, but only he pursued the matter and created -- the microwave.
- 4) Some years ago a group of men went around asking, "Who was Mickey Mouse's girlfriend?" Why? Because during the Battle of the Bulge in the Second World War, the Germans outfitted soldiers who spoke perfect English in American uniforms and infiltrated American lines. The GIs came up with this question because they knew any true American would know the answer immediately.
- 5) A man enters a competition, confidently expecting to win. Instead he places third, yet he is highly amused. Why? While on vacation, Charlie Chaplain entered a Charlie Chaplain look-alike contest. He finished third, relishing the irony.
- 6) True story: a major industry was losing hundreds of thousands of dollars, so this man solved the problem with paint and a brush. In the 19th century a host of boats were being sunk because they were being overloaded. Samuel Plimsoll painted a line on boats that noted to what depth they could be safely loaded.
- 7) A perfectly functioning boat was taking tourists down a river. Without hitting anything it suddenly capsized. Why? Because a large snake fell off a limb onto the deck of this touring boat. All of the tourists ran to the other side of the boat, tipping it over.
- 8) The doorman at an exclusive club says one word to each prospective entrant. If the entrant answers correctly he is allowed to enter; otherwise he is rejected. A hopeful non-member observed closely as a member approached. The doorman said, "Twelve." The member said "Six," and was admitted. The next person came up and the doorman said "Six." The member said, "Three," and was admitted. So the nonmember came up and the doorman said, "Ten." The man replied confidently, "Five." The doorman rejected him. What should he have said? The man should have said "Three." The key was the number of letters in the first number.
- 9) When I was a little boy, I turned a calendar around and noticed something interesting. A man told me that such a thing would not happen again for another 4,000 years. I noticed when I turned a calendar upside down that the year 1961 read the same forward and backward. A smart adult noted that such a thing would not occur again until 6009.

Truly, these riddles suggest that many heads are better than one. By asking me "Yes" and "No" questions, the rafters around the campfire solved every riddle.

By the way, this is Fall Consignment Sale week. If you can help in any way, contact Donna Wood or Jennifer Kelly.

A word from your pastor, Dr Richard Kremer

SYMPATHY

We extend Christian sympathy to Dexter Scott and his family in the death of his sister-in-law, Nancy Scott.

LIBRARY CORNER

After 24 years in Macon and Vineville Baptist Church, it is time to say goodbye. I am moving home to Kentucky on August 24. I covet your prayers for a smooth closing and safe travel (with 2 scared dogs in tow).

I leave half my heart here. Thank you for your love and patience through my time here. Though I mourn to leave all of you, I rejoice to be able to spend time with my family. I have missed them (and Kentucky) tremendously.

Kay DeFore has graciously agreed to become the new librarian. She is a career school media specialist. You will love her! She has ideas and will do many things I never got to do. The library will become even better under her guidance.

If you haven't visited the library lately, please drop by on Sunday mornings to meet Kay and see the marvelous materials available for checkout. Tell Kay your interests and she will help you.

Blessings to all of you! Carol Lincoln

YOUTH

Today: Youth choir begins today at 4:00 pm in the choir room! Come sing, and enter to win a gift card from Chick-fil-A! Youth choir is a time of rehearsal and preparation, but it is also a wonderful time of working together and fellowship. You do not have to sing well to come to choir – all are welcome and encouraged, 7th through 12th grade. We will have dinner and devotion at 5:00 pm, and youth can be picked up at 6:15 pm.

Wednesday: Week 2 of the book of Nehemiah Bible study, looking at chapters 2 and 3. Is there a friend or family you can invite on Wednesday night? Our youth song this week will be "Tremble."

Next Sunday: Sunday night schedule remains in full swing! Instead of a movie night as listed on the calendar, we will be using that time to give out light bulbs and church information cards in the Oak Haven area. Jesus is the light of the world!

FALL BAZAAR...A COMING ATTRACTION

Fall Bazaar Steering Committee Meeting has been changed to Sunday, September 9 at 5:00 pm in Room M-106.

Fall Bazaar...a Coming Attraction

School is starting back and fall will soon be in the air which means our Fall Bazaar is also around the corner! Be thinking about your favorite recipe to sell in our Bazaar Bakery Shoppe.

Spaghetti tickets will go on sale on Wednesday night, Aug 29, and each Wednesday thereafter. They will also be on sale outside the Reception Area before and after Sunday School. Look for Betty Hendricks.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to my church family for the support that was given to me following my illness and surgery. I appreciate the cards, calls, texts, emails and visits that were received during this time.

Melissa Kuipers & Family

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 23-25

VBC Fall Consignment Sale

September 17

44th Annual Tournament of Champions

September 28-29

Fall Bazaar

THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

Sunday, August 19

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

Monday, August 20

No Activities

Tuesday, August 21

10:30 AM Exercise/Stretching Class

Wednesday, August 22

9:00 AM Media Library

5:30 PM Vineville Brass

5:30 РМ Family Supper

Lower Auditorium

6:00 PM Children's Choirs

6:15 PM Media Library

6:30 РМ Family Worship

Lower Auditorium

6:40 PM Mission Friends

6:40 PM Kingdom Kids

6:45 PM Youth Bible Study

7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 23

9:00 AM Consignment Sale

Friday, August 24

12:00 PM Consignment Sale

Saturday, August 25

8:00 AM Consignment Sale

Sunday, August 26

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

SOUND, LIGHTS, AND VIDEO

August 19

Early Service 8:30 am

House: Gene Welch Broadcast: John Kelly Video: John Kuipers

Morning Worship 10:45 am

House: Todd Smith Broadcast: Willie Jones Video: Eric Blizzard



Volunteers Needed for the VBC Fall/Winter Consignment Sale

Our Consignment Sale will be August 23-25 and we need volunteers. If you can help with the sale, please sign up by visiting our website: www.consignment@vbcmacon.org or contact Cheryl Lee: 955-2448

DEACON OF THE WEEK

The Deacon of the Week is Norma Thompson. Next week is Mark Wood.

REPORT AS OF AUGUST 12

ATTENDANCE	
Bible Study	173
8:30 Worship	40
10:45 Worship	199
STEWARDSHIP AS OF JUNE 24	
Budget Offering	\$15,688
Following Christ 2 (YTD)	\$46,988
YTD Budget Contributions	\$497,241

OUR STAFF

Richard Kremer	Pastor
Angela Blizzard	Minister of Music
Angela Blizzard	Minister to Youth
Leigh Halverson	Minister to Family and
	Education
Peggy Jones	Financial Administrator
Jody Thornton	Administrative Assistant
Ginny Ferguson	Receptionist
Sandra Head	Music Ministry Coordinator
Tonia Boyd	Weekday Morning School
Kathy McCray	Higher Life

OUR LAY LEADERSHIP

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