



Vineville
Baptist Church



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

10:45 AM

Ann Caldwell, organist; Chris Inhulsen, pianist
Vineville Brass, Kelly Graves, director

Prelude	<i>Voluntary on OLD HUNDRETH</i>	Ashford
Welcome		Leyla Scott
Music for Meditation	<i>Brethren, We Have Met to Worship</i> Vineville Brass Ensemble	Pethel
Invocation		Sandra Higgison
*Hymn 372	<i>Come, Ye Thankful People Come</i>	ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR
Children's Sermon & Scripture	Philippians 2:5-11	Leigh Halverson
The Lord's Prayer		
Ministry of Music	<i>My Tribute</i> soloist, Martha Kate Hall	Crouch
Pastoral Prayer		Richard Kremer
*Hymn 349	<i>To God Be the Glory</i>	TO GOD BE THE GLORY
Offertory Prayer		Angela Blizzard
Offertory	<i>Nun danket</i>	arr. Davenport
Scripture Reading	Acts 16:6-10	Richard Kremer
Ministry of Music	<i>Doxology for a New Day</i>	arr. Miller
Sermon	"Accepting God's No"	Richard Kremer
*Hymn of Response 500	<i>Just As I Am</i>	WOODWORTH

*Celebrations and Concerns

Richard Kremer

*Benediction

Richard Kremer

*Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God

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RMDs AND QCDs

Excuse me momentarily while I delve into a realm where my expertise is virtually zero. Lately information has crossed my desk about a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). Individuals who have attained the age of 70 ½, which is quite a number of you, must take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your Individual Retirement Account, whether you want to or not. The good news from the perspective of charities, including Vineville Baptist, is that you can make a financial gift to Vineville as part of your RMD and it won't be counted as taxable income to you. You can actually donate up to \$100,000 yearly from your IRA directly to eligible charities. These qualified charitable distributions (QCDs) are not counted as taxable income to you, meaning that the donation from your IRA does not raise your adjusted gross income in a way that would trigger higher Medicare premiums and taxes on Social Security benefits.

I would add more important note on this matter: to make a QCD from your RMD, you must contact your IRA plan administrator to transfer your desired amount directly to Vineville Baptist. The rules stipulate that the funds must be transferred directly through your plan administrator to the church. In other words, a donation from an RMD cannot pass through your hands or account. I thought this might be helpful information for some of you.

Everyone present today is invited and encouraged to stay for lunch. Today marks our annual Thanksgiving dinner potluck, and, whether you brought food or not, please stay and break bread – and fried chicken – with us! We always have plenty of food, and it is always a wonderful time of fellowship. So, please, stay and eat and take note of the expressions of Thanksgiving that will be scrolled on the screen during our dinner.

Again, thanks to everyone who donated an Operation Christmas Child shoebox or supplies. At last count we ended up with over 150 boxes. Thanks also to everyone who brought canned goods for our Thanksgiving boxes. We will be giving away 15 boxes to needy families this Thanksgiving, and we appreciate everyone's contribution. Everyone planning to bring food to me for our meal to the homeless, please deliver the food to my home or the church office by this Tuesday morning. I will plan to deliver the meal Tuesday night.

Remember that the church office will be closed on Thursday and Friday of this week. Be sure to use the holiday period to pen your Advent devotional thought centered on the theme of "A Christmas Away from Home." As I noted last week, even if you have never spent a Christmas away from home, you have surely either known or hosted someone who has. So share their experience with us. Please work hard to have your devotionals in by Monday, November 26, so Melissa, Jody and I will have adequate time to have the booklets available to you on Sunday, December 2, the first Sunday of Advent.

Keep our holiday worship schedule in mind. Next Sunday we will have two services as we celebrate communion. For the five Sundays of December we will have only the 10:45 service. What a fabulous series of Sundays lies ahead! Our Hanging of the Green service (my favorite!) will be Sunday morning, December 2. The Adult Choir's presentation of "*Go Sing It On the Mountain*," will be the Sunday morning of December 9. The children will have a prominent role in worship on Sunday, December 16 (it's a surprise). And during the holiday weekends of December 23 and December 30 we will have one service, too.

The Christmas Eve "*Carols, Candles and Communion*" service will be at 5 pm.

I confess, I am weary of soul and body. It is rare at this stage of my ministry to admit that this is the first time I've done something, but this was the first time that I was ever called on to lead three funerals on three successive days. I hope I don't have to do it again anytime soon.

A word from your pastor,
Dr. Richard Kremer

SYMPATHY

We extend Christian sympathy to the following families:

The family of Ann Turner.

Don and Kathy Kendrick in the death of Kathy's brother-in-law, Steve Burt.

IN MEMORIUM

Ann Turner
July 3, 1928 - November 9, 2018

POINSETTIAS

On Sunday, December 2 through Christmas, the sanctuary will be decorated with poinsettias. If you would like to place a poinsettia in honor or in memory of a loved one, contact Ginny Ferguson in the office. The cost is \$20 and the deadline for placing your order is November 19. You may take your poinsettias after the Christmas Eve Service.

ANGEL TREE AND STOCKINGS

Again this year, the Salvation Army needs our help to provide a Merry Christmas for 1,154 needy middle Georgia children through the Angel Tree and Stocking programs. Angels and stockings will be available across from the church office from November 19 - December 9.

YOUTH

Today: No youth activities this evening.

Monday: Youth will meet at VBC at 10:15 am to serve at Macon Outreach. We will grab lunch afterward at Cook Out. Youth can be picked up at Vineville at 1:30 pm.

Wednesday: No church activities.

Next Sunday: Youth choir rehearsal at 4:00 pm (last one before Hanging of the Green service!), dinner at 5:00 pm, and working on coats and skirts until 6:30 pm! Don't miss it!

JOIN US FOR LADIES LUNCH

December 10 at 11:30 am
Panera Bread Tom Hill Sr. Blvd.

BENEVOLENCE OFFERING

Remember that we will be taking our special benevolence offering next Sunday, November 25 after the service. Please consider being a part of this ongoing ministry and outreach to those in need.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

All are invited for a fun time of fellowship and caroling on Sunday, December 16. Mark your calendar. More details will be forthcoming.

MORNING SCHOOL NEEDS

Please donate all empty printer cartridges to our Morning School. You may bring them by the church office.

On February 1, our Morning School will host a silent auction. They would appreciate your contributions of handmade items, homemade baked goods and any items that could be auctioned off.

TRUTH BE TOLD ART

The deadline to register for the Truth Be Told Art Event on Monday, November 26 is tomorrow. To register, please visit the following website: <http://tbta.force.com/party1/PartyViewNew?id=a00A000000pGNKj> You do not have to be an artist to participate. Join the fun and fellowship!

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2

Hanging of the Green
Advent Breakfast

December 2

Hanging of the Green

December 9

Go Sing It on the Mountain
Adult Choir at 10:45 am

THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

Sunday, November 18

8:30 AM No Early Service
9:15 AM Media Library
9:35 AM Bible Study
10:45 AM Worship
12:00 PM Thanksgiving Feast

Monday, November 19

No Activities

Tuesday, November 20

10:30 AM Exercise/Stretching Class

Wednesday, November 21

No Activities
Office Closes at noon

Thursday, November 22

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Office Closed

Friday, November 23

No Activities
Office Closed

Sunday, November 25

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

DEACON OF THE WEEK

The Deacon of the Week is Peggy Hindsman Next week is Russell Honeycutt.

A CONVENIENT OPTION FOR GIVING



The QR code can be scanned with your smartphone and it will direct you to the VBC giving website.

REPORT AS OF NOVEMBER 11

ATTENDANCE

Bible Study	177
8:30 Worship	32
10:45 Worship	214

STEWARDSHIP

2018 Annual Budget:	\$657,344.67
2018 Weekly Needs:	\$723,404.30
Shortage YTD:	\$66,059.63

VBC Financial Overview as of October 31, 2018

Morning School Deficit YTD:	- \$13,066.42
Higher Life has received	\$1,508.21 more than spent.
Endowment Fund Balance:	\$768,877.74
Following Christ/Property Maintenance	
Rec'd YTD through 10/31	\$49,926.19

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

Church Council	Todd Smith	474-6333
Deacon Ministry	Kathy Kendrick	256-3468
Grief Ministry	Nell Jones	960-6195
Homebound	Ann Purser	477-7549
Media Center	Kay Defore	476-9986
Men's Ministry	Todd Smith	474-6333
Missions	Jim Jones	757-8411
Senior Adults-XYZ	Jackie Odom	746-1716
Sunday School	Jeane Easom	719-1289