



Vineville
Baptist Church



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

FEBRUARY 10, 2019

8:30 AND 10:45 AM

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

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Prelude *Prelude in F* Bach

Welcome Angela Blizzard

Music for Meditation *Precious Memories* Vineville Bluegrass Ensemble
All are encouraged to use this time as intentional preparation for the worship of God.

Invocation Jim Jones

*Hymn 355 *We Praise Thee, O God* REVIVE US AGAIN
Children are invited to gather at the front after the last stanza.

Children's Sermon Stacy Whithead

The Lord's Prayer

Ministry of Music *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Vineville Bluegrass

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 2:14-17 Barbara Jones
*Connection Passage: "We are a fragrance of Christ to God among
those who are being saved..."

Pastoral Prayer Richard Kremer

*Hymn 280 *Speak, O Lord* SPEAK, O LORD

*Offertory Prayer Angela Blizzard

Offertory *Quodlibet on EVAN AND AZMON* Pollock

Scripture Reading John 1:14; John 15:14-15 Richard Kremer

Ministry of Music *With Songs of Rejoicing* Bach/arr. Hopson

Sermon "The Word Must Become Real" Richard Kremer

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn of Response 658	<i>Let Your Heart Be Broken</i>	WYE VALLEY
*Celebrations and Concerns		Richard Kremer
*Benediction		Richard Kremer
*Postlude	<i>Fugue in F</i>	Bach

CHURCH CAMPING DATES SECURED!

I noted in an earlier Vision that the government shutdown had prevented our making our usual church camping reservation on January 2. However, when the government opened for business on January 28, Melissa was ready to call and make our reservation. I had even mailed a check in advance, so when the Forest Service opened its mail, our money would be there waiting.

The dates for this year's trip are July 11 – July 13. When we floated possible dates, this was the weekend that seemed best for the majority of folks. We will be camping at Apple Tree, and we have reserved our usual spot, Site B. The only bad news is that the Forest Service has hiked their rates by 50%! Instead of costing us \$200 for the two nights, we will now pay \$300. So we might have to increase our per family site donation this year. But, hey, it is worth it. Block out those dates now for our church camping and river rafting trip.

By the way, while last week's homily question, "What Color Are Polar Bears?" may have stumped many adults, several children throughout the church let me know after the service that they were aware of the right answer: polar bear hairs appear white, but in fact each hair is clear, without pigment. Obviously, some of our young people are paying attention in their science classes.

Remember that the Spring Consignment Sale is just around the corner, March 1-7. This is a labor intensive enterprise and of vital importance to the church. If you can help with any aspect of the process, please let Donna Wood know. We will set up for the sale on March 1, then receive items on March 2 and March 3, offer an opportunity for consigners and workers to shop on the evening of Tuesday, March 5, then open the consignment sale to the public on Thursday through Saturday, March 7-9. The "take-down" process happens Saturday afternoon and help for that event is welcomed.

Ladies, mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 12, our annual evening when the Baptist Men host Ladies' Night. Stay tuned for more details on what is always a festive celebration.

The youth basketball league just finished its sixth week of play. Our regular season will continue the next two weekends, then we will yield the gym to the consignment sale and the men's basketball tournament, before holding our year-end tournament. Special thanks go to all of our concession volunteers, to those who have manned the clock or worked the book during the games – harder tasks than they sound – or fulfilled the thankless job of referee. This ministry touches young people from across our community, and I am indebted to everyone who has helped make this ministry successful, especially when I have been sidelined.

I continue to thank you for the cards, notes and gifts of encouragement. People keep asking, "How are you doing?," and I suppose my honest answer is, "It depends on the day." Most mornings are good: I can work without pain pills, can make visits wherever I'm needed and can spend fruitful hours in the office. But by early afternoon pain and swelling generally force me home to my couch, where I strap on an ice pack (ugh!) and work from my chair for the afternoon and evening. There are days when I feel like I'm making major strides forward – followed by days where I feel utterly defeated. I don't like being a wimp, but there are occasions when that seems the wisest course. I am ready to feel whole!

Please note that our winter church conference will be on Wednesday, February 20. Our always meaningful Ash Wednesday will be March 6. Our By Laws Committee, which has been working hard to finalize an overhaul of our antiquated by-laws, is planning to present a proposed version of their work in a listening session on the first Wednesday of April, April 3.

A word from your pastor,
Dr. Richard Kremer

LADIES DINNER

All ladies are invited to dinner at the Cracker Barrel located on Riverside Dr., Monday, February 11 at 6:30 pm. Invite a friend.

YOUTH

Today: Youth choir from 4:00-5:00 pm and dinner together until 6:15 pm.

Wednesday: Youth will meet in choir room at 6:35 pm.

Friday: Youth choir will meet and leave by 4:00 pm for Segue Youth Choir Festival in Buies Creek, NC at Campbell University.

Tuesday, Feb 19: Youth will pick up trash in Oak Haven Park at 9:00 am. Meet at VBC.

REGISTER ONLINE!

On our website, www.vbcmacon.org you can register for Vacation Bible School, June 10-14 and for Passport Kids Camp, June 24-27. Click on Calendar and Upcoming Events to access links for these two events. The theme for Vacation Bible School is *To Mars and Beyond*. Join us as we explore where God's power can take you!



The poster features a yellow border and a central illustration of children's clothing (shorts and a shirt) hanging on a clothesline. The text is centered and reads:

**VBC SPRING/SUMMER
CHILDREN'S CONSIGNMENT SALE**
MARCH 7-9
THURSDAY: 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY: 12:00-6:00 p.m.
SATURDAY: 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Below the text are two logos: a Facebook logo with the text "Find us on Facebook" and a blue banner that says "A Non-Profit Fund Raiser". At the bottom, the website www.vinevillebaptist.org/consignment is listed, along with the note "Cash, Checks, and Credit Cards Accepted". The address "VINEVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH 2591 VINEVILLE AVE. MACON" is at the very bottom.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CONSIGNMENT SALE

Volunteers are needed for our upcoming Consignment Sale March 7-9. If you would like to help with the sale, please contact Donna Wood. The public is invited to attend Thursday from 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., Friday from 12:00-6:00 p.m., and Saturday from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

FOSTER CARE

You may have noticed some children hanging around me a little more than usual here lately. There's a reason for that. I am a foster mom. The idea of foster and adoption first grew roots in my heart when I was 13. It has manifested itself in a variety of ways over the years and became a full-blown reality in 2015 when I was officially licensed as a foster mom. I get to live this out in a couple of ways: respite care and full-time. As a respite care provider, I receive children into my heart (permanently) and my home as short-term placements. Here in GA these children will, more often than not, be coming from other foster homes who for one reason or another need a respite. In time, I plan to return to full-time fostering which means children who enter foster care may be placed with me for the duration of their time in care. Foster care is a unique journey. While there is always great interest in the background and story behind why a child is in care, this is not something I will ever be able to share. I will however, be able to introduce you to precious children of God who are just as deserving of unconditional love and encouragement as all others. I invite you to welcome them, to speak to them, to love them, and to treat them as a part of our church family! Thank you for supporting me in this calling.

Love,
Leigh

FIGHT LIKE A GIRL!

Fight Like a Girl self defense class will be Tuesday, February 26 at 6:00 pm. in the Activities Building. The class is led by Paige Slocumb, Safe Alone, Inc. and the focus is to teach you tips and tricks that will help you defend yourself in the event of an attack. This particular class is for women only with a recommended age of high school or older. Though the event is free, we will be accepting donations to help Paige continue her ministry of educating women in self defense. Invite friends! "No one should be afraid to be alone."

FALL BAZAAR

The Bazaar Steering Committee meeting for close-out of 2018 is set for Sunday, February 17 at 4:00 pm in Room M-106.

A CONVENIENT OPTION FOR GIVING



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

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 22

Family Movie Night

Walt Disney's *Zootopia*

6:00 pm

March 7-9

VBC Spring/Summer Consignment Sale

THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

Sunday, February 10

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

5:30 PM SNYF

Monday, February 11

6:00 PM Men's Basketball

Tuesday, February 12

10:30 AM Exercise/Stretching Class

6:30 PM Ladies Dinner at
Cracker Barrel

Wednesday, February 13

9:00 AM Media Library

5:30 PM Vineville Brass

5:30 PM Family Supper

6:15 PM Children's Choirs

6:30 PM Family Worship

6:45 PM Mission Friends

6:45 PM Kingdom Kids

6:35 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 14

10:30 AM Exercise/Stretching Class

Friday, February 15

4:00 PM Youth leave for NC

Saturday, February 16

10:00 AM Youth Basketball

Sunday, February 17

8:30 AM Early Service

9:15 AM Media Library

9:35 AM Bible Study

10:45 AM Worship

4:00 PM Steering Committee Meeting

DEACON OF THE WEEK

The Deacon of the Week is Jim Jones. Next week is Scrap Ladson.

REPORT AS OF FEBRUARY 3

ATTENDANCE

Bible Study	175
8:30 Worship	33
10:45 Worship	196

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Offering	\$25,223
Following Christ 2 (YTD)	\$1,560
YTD Budget Contributions	\$72,273

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