



Vineville

Baptist Church



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

JUNE 9, 2019

8:30 AND 10:45 AM

Ann Caldwell, organist; Jane Self, pianist

Vineville Brass, Kelly Graves, director

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Prelude	<i>Voluntary in F</i>	Walmisley
Welcome		Angela Blizzard
Music for Meditation	<i>Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me</i> Vineville Sanctuary Choir	ADORO
<i>Congregation joins on third stanza:</i> Mighty spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be; Help me now Thy power to see, I would be like Thee; 'gainst all weapons sin can wield, be Thou my strength and shield; Let Thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.		
Invocation		Kathy Kendrick
*Hymn 344	<i>Glorious Is Thy Name</i> Children are invited to gather at the front after the last stanza.	GLORIOUS NAME
Children's Sermon		Norma Thompson
The Lord's Prayer		
Ministry of Music	<i>When I Think About the Lord</i>	Angela & Eric Blizzard
Pastoral Prayer		Mike Ruffin
Scripture Reading	Acts 2:1-21 Connection Verse: "I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy."	Youth Readers
*Hymn 225	<i>On Pentecost They Gathered</i>	ST. THEODULPH
Offertory Prayer		Angela Blizzard
Offertory	<i>Variations:</i> <i>For the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.</i>	Gounod

Scripture Reading	John 14:8-17, 25-27	Mike Ruffin
Ministry of Music	<i>The Day Is Coming</i>	Miller
Sermon	“Follow the Leader”	Mike Ruffin
*Hymn 241	<i>There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit</i>	MANNA
*Pastoral Benediction		Mike Ruffin
*Postlude	<i>Marche en Rondeau</i>	Charpentier

“CELEBRATING THE IMPORTANCE OF CHILDREN”

Next Sunday is another one of those worship occasions in which I account myself privileged to participate. We will combine Sunday services to underscore the importance of our ministry to children in our congregational life as we celebrate Children’s Day at Vineville Baptist. The children will fulfill many roles of worship leadership that morning, as we culminate our Vacation Bible School. Honor them and our Lord with your presence. The title of the morning sermon that day might intrigue you: “The Biblical Cinderella.”

Speaking of Vacation Bible School, if you know of children who would like to participate, please invite them. The more the merrier! This is such an important ministry of outreach and nurture. Please be in prayer for this endeavor and for all who participate in it.

We are privileged this morning to welcome to our pulpit Dr. Michael Ruffin, the editor of Connections for Smyth and Helwys Publishing here in Macon. As I have noted before, Dr. Ruffin and I share a particularly special connection: his first grandchild and ours were born on the same day, July 12, 2017. However, Mike has doubled his blessings this year: his granddaughter Isabella was born just a few months ago.

Dr. Ruffin, a native of Barnesville, Georgia, graduated from Mercer University in 1978 and received his Master of Divinity and Ph.D. from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. He and his wife Debra, also a Mercer grad, have two children, Joshua and Sara. Joshua is a writer in Wisconsin; Sara is a Physician Continuing Education Coordinator in Atlanta.

Dr. Ruffin has held several pastorates in Georgia, including First Baptist Church in Adel, The Hill Baptist in Augusta, and the First Baptist Church of Fitzgerald. He has authored several books, including *Fifty-Seven: a Memoir of Death and Life*, *Luke: Parables for the Journey*, and *The Limp is Mightier than the Strut and Other Sermons*.

Dr. Ruffin has also served as an adjunct professor at several institutions, including Belmont University in Nashville, Southern Seminary, Brewton-Parker College, Mercer University and Anderson University in Anderson, South Carolina. He and Debra live on their family’s farm in Yatesville, Georgia. He has effectively filled our pulpit several times over the last few years, and I know that you will give him a warm Vineville welcome.

Remember that we will NOT have Wednesday night services this week, but we will enjoy “Generation Mix-up” on Wednesday, June 19. This is always a great inter-generational event, and we usually learn a few things from each other. We will also enjoy a hymn sing on Wednesday, June 26. Come and sing some of everyone’s old favorites! Remember also that we will not have Wednesday night activities on July 3.

My warmest thanks to the Outreach Committee and to the extra volunteers for their help in producing “Burgers and Bingo.” Indeed, thanks to everyone who took part in the event. What a fun way to spend an evening of fellowship among God’s people.

We are delighted to have our Florida Panhandle Mission Team back with us. I suspect that they are all a few pounds lighter after laboring a few days in sweltering heat and oppressive humidity. But I am given to understand that they were a hard-working and productive crew and represented our congregation well. We will plan to have them share their stories and testimonies with us on a Wednesday night early in August. I know that you won’t want to miss that evening.

Finally, let me remind everyone to sign up for the church river rafting trip that will take place in the Nantahala National Forest on July 11-13. I’ll be providing more details soon, but go ahead and reserve those dates, and plan to enjoy God’s wondrous creation with your church family.

A word from your pastor,
Dr. Richard Kremer

SYMPATHY

We extend Christian sympathy to Nell Jones, Mary Braswell, and Susan Thomas in the loss of their relative, Diane Hall.

YOUTH

Today: Ultimate Frisbee at Tattnall Square Park from 4:00-5:30 pm. Wear good shoes and sunscreen! Water will be provided. Friends welcome and encouraged as always! Rising 7th graders are invited to summer Sunday events.

VBS: Thank you to all the youth who are volunteering with Vacation Bible School. Reminder to please arrive at 8:30 am, and put away your cell phones for the entirety of the morning. The children are your sole focus. We trust you to help model discipline, encouragement, and commitment to the joyful work of VBS, and we pray that hearts will be changed!

Wednesday: There are no church evening activities on Wednesday.

Next Sunday: Youth families are encouraged to enjoy some family kickball time at Oak Haven Park! We will meet at VBC at 4:00 pm!

CHAT AND CHILL WITH MS. LEIGH AT MACON SWIRL

New Schedule:

1st Sunday – Kindergarteners at 4:00 pm

2nd Sunday – 1st-3rd graders at 4:00 pm

3rd Sunday – 4th-6th graders at 4:00 pm

PLEASE NOTE

There will be no Wednesday activities on June 12 and July 3.

MORNING SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Morning School is currently taking applications for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. For additional information, contact Tonya Boyd. Email: tboyd@vbcmacon.org or phone: 743-9366. Please make your friends and neighbors aware of this enriching opportunity for their children!

VBC LIBRARY AND MEDIA CENTER

The Media Center will be open from 2:00-6:00 p.m. every Wednesday this summer. Kay has it well organized and a wide variety of options can be checked out for reading as well as for listening. There are comfortable “reading corners” for your convenience and enjoyment. We need to support our church library with our presence and usage.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL STARTS TOMORROW!



9:00-12:00

It is not too late to register for the first Vacation Bible School to land on Mars! Cokesbury's "To Mars and Beyond" will help kids discover the wonders of God's universe. They'll become Voyagers on a journey through space, exploring where God's power can take them. Each morning, they will lift off to distant planets on special missions to collect God's power sources. Along the way, they will learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible, and that He is always with our voyagers! They will enjoy out-of-this-world fun, learning timeless Bible stories that inspire kids to give glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine! Ages for Vacation Bible school are completed PreK 4 - completed 6th grades. You may scan the QR Code below to conveniently register your child/children.



UPCOMING EVENTS

June 19

Generation Mix-up

June 26

Hymn Sing

July 10

Ice Cream and Legos

FALL BAZAAR

Our 2019 Fall Bazaar will be Friday, October 11 and Saturday, October 12. Mark your calendar! Please continue to contribute to the Fall Bazaar as you clean out and downsize. There is always someone interested in something you no longer are! Those things we think are least likely to sell are sometimes the first to go out the doors of the Bazaar.

Thank you,
Harold McAbee

THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

Sunday, June 9

- 8:30 AM Early Service
- 9:15 AM Media Library
- 9:35 AM Bible Study
- 10:45 AM Worship
- 4:00 PM Chat & Chill- 1st-3rd grades
- 4:00 PM Youth: Ultimate Frisbee

Monday, June 10

- 9:00 AM Vacation Bible School
- 9:15 AM Media Library

Tuesday, June 11

- 9:00 AM Vacation Bible School
- 9:15 AM Media Library
- 10:30 AM Exercise/Stretching Class

Wednesday, June 12

- 9:00 AM Vacation Bible School
- 9:15 AM Media Library
- 2:00 PM Media Library (Summer hrs.)

Thursday, June 13

- 9:00 AM Vacation Bible School
- 9:15 AM Media Library
- 10:30 AM Exercise/Stretching Class

Friday, June 14

- 9:00 AM Vacation Bible School
- 9:15 AM Media Library

Saturday, June 15

No Activities

Sunday, June 16

- 8:30 AM No Early Service
- 9:15 AM Media Library
- 9:35 AM Bible Study
- 10:45 AM Children's Celebration
- 4:00 PM Chat & Chill
4th-6th grades
- 4:00 PM Youth Summer Sunday

A CONVENIENT OPTION FOR GIVING



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

DEACON OF THE WEEK

The Deacon of the Week is Rick Jones. Next week is Harold McAbee.

LIVE STREAMING

If you are unable to attend our worship services, you can stream them live from our website: www.vbcmacon.org.

REPORT AS OF JUNE 2

ATTENDANCE

Bible Study	184
8:30 Worship	32
10:45 Worship	145

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Offering	\$18,260
Following Christ 2 (YTD)	\$5,402
YTD Budget Contributions	\$340,613

OUR STAFF

Richard Kremer	Pastor
Angela Blizzard	Minister of Music & Youth
Leigh Halverson	Minister to Family & 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