

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

October 2, 2022

Ann Caldwell, organist; Don Kendrick, pianist

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Prelude Panis Angelicus Franck

Welcome and Invocation Angela Blizzard

Music for Meditation Siyahamba/We Are Singing SIYAHAMBA

Scripture Reading Psalm 67:1-5 John and Rachel Greco

\*Hymn 154 Christ Is the World's Light CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Children are invited to come forward to organ-side on the final stanza.

Children's Sermon Leigh Halverson

The Lord's Prayer

Call to Worship "Do This in Remembrance of Me" Treble Maker Readers

English, Hebrew, Spanish, German, Italian, Swahili, Urdu

Ministry of Music This Is My Father's World/He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

Treble Makers Choir, accompanied by Ches Rehberg

New Member Recognition Richard Kremer

\*Hymn 462 In Remembrance RED

Offertory Prayer Angela Blizzard

Offertory How Great Is Our Our God arr. Larson

Scripture Reading Colossians 2:20-22 Richard Kremer

Ministry of Music Come to the Table Nolan

Homily "Religion and Faith" Richard Kremer

Invitation to the Table

Celebration of Comunion

\*Hymn of Response 384 Speak to My Heart HOLCOMB

\*Celebrations and Concerns Richard Kremer

\*Pastoral Benediction Richard Kremer

\*Congregational Benediction The Lord's Prayer Malotte, alt.



#### **Church Council News**

Vineville Baptist's church council met this past Sunday and made several significant decisions. They have designated Sunday, October 9, as that day when they will carve out time in worship for a short business meeting in which the church will elect a Moderator Pro Tem. The church council has suggested that deacon chair Kathy Kendrick be elected to this position. With my resignation, by rule of the church by-laws, church council chair Mark Wood becomes the church's moderator and will moderate the November church conference. However, the Moderator Pro Tem will be responsible

for helping the congregation work through issues related to the church's pastoral transition.

The church council also decided to table until next year consideration of the by-laws committee's recent amendment to the articles of faith related to the church's marriage policy. The church council also declined to accept my offer to provide the church free preaching and Bible study leadership for the first couple of months of next year. That being the case, my last Sunday among you will be Christmas Day, 2022, and my last official day as your pastor will be 12/31/22.

Don't forget that we need people power for this Wednesday, October 5. After supper we will be setting up the gym for the Fall Bazaar and will be bringing items from storage around the church into the gym that night. We can use a host of volunteers on this evening. Remember also, since the following week is fall break for Macon-Bibb County Schools, and since the gym will be full of Bazaar items, we will not have a Wednesday night meal or Bible study on the evening of October 12. Children and youth programs are cancelled that night, too. If you can help price items for the Bazaar, Harold McAbee would greatly appreciate your help.

Remember, the Bazaar happens Friday night, October 14, from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., and then on Saturday, October 15, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you can help in any capacity during those times, please let Harold know. Spaghetti supper tickets are on sale for the dinner to be served on Friday night, October 14. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$4 for children aged 10 and under. There is a \$22 maximum dinner cost per family, and you can eat the meal in the gym or enjoy takeout.

We welcome you to World Communion Sunday, as we observe the Lord's Supper in frank acknowledgment of our kinship not only with Christ, but with Christian believers around the globe. Remember also that we will hold a reception in the guest reception room honoring our newest members, so stay a few minutes after the service and give our newest members a warm welcome.

We still need candy – lots and lots of it! We are planning on Halloween night to distribute bags of candy containing information about the church to trick-or-treaters in two places this year – on Hines Terrace and at the junction of Vineville and Pierce. We hope this year to fill 600 bags. Please bring your candy to the church as soon as possible, and know that for this event, chocolate candy is permissible.

I know it is early, but not too early to put your "thinking caps" on and start planning your entry for this year's Advent Devotional Booklet. This year's theme is "Angels in Our Lives." I know that by nature some of you are procrastinators, but I urge you to start working on your submission soon. Every year Jody Thornton, Leigh Halverson and Melissa Kremer engage in a frenzied dash to get the booklet ready for distribution on the first Sunday of Advent, which this year is November 27. Please make life easier for them by getting your entry in by early November, if at all possible. They will be profoundly grateful.

Other October dates to remember: Friday evening, October 21, children's pumpkin carving and decoration in the Kremers' back yard. That is also the weekend for the youth's fall camping retreat. Chill at the Grill is at the Kremers' house on Saturday, October 29. Our yearly All Saints' observance will be Sunday, October 30.

Again, with COVID rampant in our area, please take precautions to safeguard your health. And if you are feeling sick, please don't come to church, but worship with us remotely, via our livestreaming service.

A word from your pastor, Dr. Richard Kremer

## **SYMPATHY**

We extend Christian sympathy to the following families:

The family of Hazel Porter.

Roy and Bonnie Mann in the death of their son, Alan.

## IN MEMORIAM

Hazel Porter June 1, 1929 - September 26, 2022

#### NEW MEMBER

Charlie Whitehead

#### FLOWER S

The flowers in the sanctuary are given in loving memory of Mary Anne Edge for her birthday on October 3 by her husband, John, and son, Gary Clinton.

#### R EPORT FROM BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Two recommendations, one concerning committee membership, the other concerning church business meetings, will be voted on at the November 9 business meeting. The third recommendation, related to our Articles of Faith and marriage has been tabled.

## OPEN PRAYER

Beginning October 20 and continuing on for the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of November and December the Sanctuary will be open from 10:30am-11:00am for a time of open prayer. The purpose of this time is to create space for us to gather together as we intercede for the many needs of ourselves, families, church, community, country, and world. This will be a largely unscripted time together. We will provide the space, some soft music, and a few prayer prompts but it will be you who provides the "voice" to the experience. Your voice may be silent as you pray to God, you may mumble your words at your seat, you may desire to stand and voice a prayer loud enough for all to hear, you may simply desire to sit and read scripture silently or aloud. However you feel the spirit moving you in that time is how you should move in that time. And when we don't know what to pray, scripture reminds us that the Spirit will intercede on our behalf, but we can be present with our brothers and sisters in Christ along the way. We hope you'll join us.

# LADIES' DINNER

The ladies' dinner will be Monday, October 24 at 6:00 pm at Chicken Salad Chick.

## FALL BAZAAR UPDATES

**Brunswick Stew:** Our delicious Brunswick Stew will be available again this year! A quart is \$10.00 and a gallon is \$40.00. Payment is due when the order is placed and the deadline for ordering is October 10. Please see Pat Schaible, Kent Russell, Martha Goodrich, Harold McAbee or Ginny Ferguson if you would like to place an order.

**Homemade Baked Goods:** We would greatly appreciate homemade baked goods for the Fall Bazaar Bakery Shop. These items always sell quickly! VBC cooks are the best!

**Spaghetti Supper:** Spaghetti supper tickets are available from Pat Schaible, Kent Russell, Martha Goodrich, Harold McAbee and Ginny Ferguson. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children, ages 10 and under. There is a \$22 maximum dinner cost per family, and you can eat the meal in the Activities Building or enjoy a take out.











# STEWAR DSHIP REPORT AS OF SEPTEMBER 25

Budget Offering \$8,802 Following Christ 2 (YTD) \$4,860 YTD Budget Contributions \$533,864

# DEACON OF THE WEEK

The Deacon of the week is Jim Jones. Next week is Don Kendrick.

# A CONVENIENT OPTION FOR GIVING



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

# **OUR STAFF**

Richard Kremer	Pastor
Angela Blizzard	Minister of Music
Leigh Halverson	Minister to Family & Education
Peggy Jones	Financial Administrator
Jody Thornton	Administrative Assistant
Ginny Ferguson	Receptionist
Sandra Head	Music Ministry Coordinator
Mary Catherine O'Neal	Weekday Morning School
Kathy McCray	Higher Life

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:15 AM Media Library 9:15 AM Coffee and Donuts

9:35 AM Bible Study

10:45 AM Worship/Communion

12:00 PM New Member Reception

4:30 PM Youth Activities

## Monday, October 3

No Activities

# Tuesday, October 4

10:00 AM Exercise Class

#### Wednesday, October 5

9:00 AM Media Library

5:30 PM Vineville Brass

5:45 PM Family Supper

6:15 PM Children's Choirs

6:30 PM Youth Bible Study

6:30 PM Tables Set Up for Bazaar

7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

10:00 AM Exercise Class

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

No Activities

# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:15 AM Media Library

9:35 AM Bible Study

10:45 AM Worship

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4:30 PM Youth Activities

# OUR LAY LEADER SHIP

Church Council	Mark Wood	957-7540
Deacon Ministry	Kathy Kendrick	256-3468
Grief Ministry	Nell Jones	960-6195
Homebound	Ann Purser	361-0021
Media Center	Kay Defore	476-9986
Men's Ministry	<b>Todd Smith</b>	474-6333
Senior Adults-XYZ	Jackie Odom	746-1716
Sunday School	Kent Russell	770-548-3372