



The Voice

February 10, 2019

Today: Winter Bible Study



Winter Bible Study this year will be on Revelation 1-3, John's initial vision and the letters to the seven churches. A teaching session for all adults will be held during the Sunday School hour. During worship, Tony will preach on the letter to the church at Ephesus (Revelation 2:1-7). Following worship, everyone is invited to meet in the fellowship hall for a light lunch--thank you, Congregational Life Committee- and a second teaching session. Childcare will be provided.



Salt Shakers

The next Salt Shakers Dinner meetings are tonight, 6:00 pm, in host families' homes.

Young at Heart

The Young at Heart group will meet at noon, Tuesday, February 12, at Montague's Restaurant.



Yard Sale Items Needed

The Rosemary Benjamin Relay team wants your "trash" that may be someone else's "treasure." Donations for the yard sale may be stored behind the stage in Fellowship Hall. Please hold large items until the week of March 4. The Yard Sale will be held Saturday, March 9, 7:00 am--noon. GFBC members are invited to a preview sale on Friday, March 8, at 7:00 pm.



Flower Calendar Openings

The flowers on the Communion Table each Sunday add to the beauty of the Chancel. The following dates are available for someone to provide flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one.

June 30 July 28 November 17

Please contact Dolores Watson (223-7049) to reserve one of these dates. Please remember, the persons who contribute flowers are responsible for making arrangements with the florist of their choice to prepare and deliver the arrangements to the church.



NGO on March 5!



On March 5, 11:15 am, NGO will be "wearing the green" as they celebrate St. Patrick's Day with Rhonda McGinnis, instrumentalist (Irish drum, guitar, and Irish flute). Membership: \$5.00 for the year. Lunch: \$8.00 each meeting (contact Polly Harvin at 223-3240 by Thursday, February 28, for lunch reservations).

Each Wednesday during Lent, there is a brief (less than 30 minutes) worship service at 12:30 pm at an area church. Below is a list of 2018 host churches.



- March 6:** Main Street United Methodist Church
- March 13:** Greenwood Associated Reformed Presbyterian (ARP) Church
- March 20:** St. Mark United Methodist Church (River Street Campus)
- March 27:** First Presbyterian Church
- April 3:** Immanuel Lutheran Church
- April 10:** First Baptist Church
- April 17:** Morris Chapel Baptist Church

Host churches provide a light lunch for \$1.00 at noon and at 1:00 pm. The GFBC church office will be closed 12:10 pm - 1:20 pm on Wednesdays during Lent so that staff may attend these services.



The Global and Local Missions Committee is considering projects for this year's Operation Inasmuch, which will be held on

April 27. Those who have suggestions about projects are asked to contact the church office by phone at 229-5557 or by email at gfbcs@gmail.com by February 15.



Cheerful Cherub Registration



Registration is now open for children ages 1-4 for the 2019-2020 school year. Forms are available in the church office or from Claudia Burch. If you have any questions, please call Claudia at 229-2787.

IS SOMEONE YOU KNOW LOOKING FOR . . . ?

**Community
Spiritual Development
Service Opportunities
Caring Relationships
Bible Application**



GFBC offers all of these things through the small groups that meet during the Sunday School hour, each Sunday at 10:00 am. Every class welcomes people who are single, single again, or married. Though the groups tend to organize around age, you will be warmly welcomed in any class!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

CLASS (typical ages)	ROOM NUMBER
College and Alums (college, 20s)	109
Upper Room (20s and 30s)	104
Faith Builders (40s and 50s)	107
Sojourners (50s and 60s)	108
Bowers (adults over 60)	103
Timms (men over 75)	106
Mauldin (adults over 70)	208
Carpenter (adults over 70)	210



Children's Ministry Spring Semester Dates

- March 16: Arts Center STEAM Day**
10:00 am - 12:00 pm;
Picnic and playground at Noon
- March 22: Movie Night**
5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
- April 14: Egg Hunt**
- April 27: Operation Inasmuch**
- May 4: Strawberry Picking**
10:00 am;
Picnic and playground after
- May 22: Music & Missions Night**
6:30 pm
- May 29: CIA Fun Night**
Pizza supper - 6:00 pm
Games - 6:30 pm
- May 31: Playground Night**
5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Children's Ministry Summer Dates

- June 10-14:** Vacation Bible School
July 16-19: Camp P.R.I.S.M. (3rd—5th graders)

STUDENT MINISTRY

Wednesday Night Youth Snacks

When youth arrive at church on Wednesday evenings, they are hungry! Youth parents can help with this need by periodically providing snacks. Contact Blake to sign up to bring snacks.



Youth and youth families are invited to help serve the Wednesday night family meals on the following dates: March 20 and May 22.

Four volunteers are needed for each of these dates. Volunteers set out plates, utensils, and condiments, serve the meal, put away unused plates and utensils, and store leftover food. Volunteers need to be in the Fellowship Hall from 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm. This is a great way for the church family to meet and interact with youth families. Please email Blake at revblakekendrick@gmail.com to let him know which date you can help.



It Is Time to Make Plans for Summer 2019!

GFBC Youth will participate in Passport Missions at Furman University July 1-6! Those participating will be learning about and serving in local missions projects in Travelers Rest and Greenville.

The actual cost per youth is \$435.00. If youth help with the two fundraisers this spring, that cost will drop to \$115.00. The first fundraiser was February 3 (Souper Bowl). The second fundraiser is April 24 (Spaghetti Lunch) at noon after church in the Fellowship Hall.

Chaperones are needed (male and female). A Passport youth-parent meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 28, at 9:00 am in The Lounge. The deadline to sign-up for Passport is this meeting (on April 28). Email Blake (revblakekendrick@gmail.com) to ask questions or to sign up.