



The Voice

May 5, 2019

Opportunity to Express Appreciation and Offer Well Wishes



Blake Kendrick's last Sunday is May 19. Immediately following worship, we will have our annual Spring Picnic. The Congregational Life Committee will provide the meat and drinks (water and tea). The congregation is asked to provide sides and desserts. This event will also give the church family an opportunity to say thank you to the Kendrick family and offer them our blessing as they transition to their new place of service. There will be a basket for personal notes and gifts.



Taylor Festival Choir

Join Greenwood Performing Arts for the final performance of the 2018-2019 season, **Taylor Festival Choir**. Serving as the flagship ensemble for the Piccolo Spoleto Celtic Arts Series, this Charleston, S.C. based ensemble brings its harmonies and professional fiddlers to present its international Celtic program in the sanctuary at the historic First Baptist Church in Greenwood, SC.

When: Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 2:00 PM

Where: Greenwood First Baptist Church Sanctuary

Tickets: \$45.00/person (Greenwood First Baptist Church members may enjoy a discounted ticket of \$20/person in advance of the show by calling the Greenwood Community Theater box office at 864-229-5704.)

Information and Tickets: 864-229-5704 or visit www.greenwoodperformingarts.org



Connections Class Begins Today

GFBC is offering an intentionally inter-generational Sunday School class for anyone grade 6 through adulthood. The class, which began today and will meet every Sunday at 10:00 am through August 11. The class meets in the Youth Lounge (across the hall from the Bowers Class on the ground-level under the Sanctuary). The class features engaging conversations about contemporary culture, videos, and ice-breakers that invite participants of all ages to connect. Potential topics include: social media, religious and social history, pop culture, and more. Contact Blake (revblakekendrick@gmail.com or 229-5557) if you would be interested in facilitating/leading a session of the Connections Class.

Calling All Graduates



The church family wishes to honor any student (high school, technical school, college, or graduate school) associated with GFBC who graduated in the Fall of 2018 or who will graduate in the Spring or Summer of 2019. These students will be recognized during worship on Sunday, June 3. The church office needs the graduate's name, school, graduation date, degree (if applicable), future plans, and a recent photo. **The information and photo is needed no later than May 17.**



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.



NGO in May!



Come join NGO on Tuesday, May 7, 11:15 am, as *Sounds of Grace* leads the group on a "Sentimental Journey through the 1940s." A selection of tunes popular from 1940 through 1949 will carry listeners back to a time when Big Bands were at a peak; Cagney, Hepburn, Sinatra, and Rooney were at the height of their careers; and bobby socks, bikinis, and flattops made their debuts.

"Sentimental Journey through the 1940s" ENCORE Performance



Can't make the NGO performance on May 7? Then, consider **Tuesday, May 14, at 6:30 pm** in the church Fellowship Hall. *Sounds of Grace* will present an ENCORE performance of "Sentimental Journey through the 1940s" featuring popular selections from the decade. Designed for people who work, attend school, want to hear it again, or just prefer night concerts, this early evening event is "just right"! **REMEMBER:** Tuesday, May 14, 6:30 pm, GFBC Fellowship Hall. Bring the entire family and friends too!



GFBC Is Collecting "Box Tops for Education"

Please place "Box Tops for Education" in the basket on the table by the restrooms in front of the office. Donations will be given to Greenwood School District 50.

Transportation Need



Jo Stevenson comes to GFBC every Monday to arrange the flowers used during Sunday worship into smaller vases. These vases are taken to shut-ins and hospitalized members. Jo enjoys this ministry and wishes to continue it. She can no longer drive. Jo is seeking volunteers to drive her to the church at 9:00 am on Monday mornings and to drive her home around noon or 1:00 pm. Drivers do not need to stay at the church and will not be responsible for delivering the flowers. Anyone willing to drive Jo at least one Monday per month is asked to call her at 223-7567.



STUDENT MINISTRY



Camp P.R.I.S.M.



Camp P.R.I.S.M. is July 16-19 at Bonclarken Conference Center in Flat Rock, NC. This year's theme is "Free to Be God's People." Camp P.R.I.S.M. is for children completing Grades 3-5. The cost is \$160.00. A deposit of \$50.00 is due by May 24. Contact Anna Burch (229-5557 or aeburchfbc@gmail.com) to sign up a child or to volunteer to chaperone.

Summer 2019

Summer 2019 is just around the corner. Here are some dates to save on your family calendars:

- June 2:** Graduate Recognition Sunday
- June 5:** Pool Party at the Youngs/Smiths in Cherokee Hills
- June 10-14:** VBS at GFBC (youth volunteer)
- June 14:** Youth VBS volunteers go out to lunch together (church's treat)
- June 22:** Zen Tubing in Asheville
- June 30:** 5th Sunday - Connections Class in Fellowship Hall
- July 1-6:** Passport Summer Missions Camp
- July 20:** Youth volunteer at the Hospice Store (9:30 am-Noon)
- August 7:** Daytrip to Carowinds

Other events coming soon - stay tuned!



2019 Vacation Bible School June 10-14, 2019 Age 3K* through 5th Grade

Children 3K* through 5th grade are invited to GFBC's annual VBS, June 10-14, 2019, from 8:30 am to 12:00 noon. Children will experience Paul's journey in Athens to share the truth of Jesus. Children will travel back in time to see Paul begin his second missionary journey. Please complete registration form in today's bulletin or online at <http://www.fbcgwd.com/vacationbibleschool>.

*Children must have turned age three on or before September 1, 2018 to participate.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH



End of the Year Pool Parties



Children's Pool Party is Sunday, June 2, time TBA.
Youth Pool Party is Wednesday, June 5, time TBA.
Both parties are at the Youngs' Home (106 Amherst Dr.).