

Pastor Newsletter Column - May 2019

Dear Church Family,

Over coming weeks, we will receive nominations for the office of deacon. As we prayerfully and carefully prepare to select these men for this important office, please read and meditate upon two passages of Scripture, Acts 6:1-7 and 1 Timothy 3:8-13.

The church needs in her deacons a calling from God to serve His people. The early church was led by the Spirit of God to select men who were full of the Spirit of God. The men were led by the Spirit of God to assume this role and fulfill these duties. These men answered the call of God to serve the people of God in this particular way. They had a calling from God to serve His people - and they answered it.

The church needs her deacons to demonstrate godly character as godly husbands, as godly fathers, as godly heads of households, characterized by respectability and faithfulness. The Scriptures also teach that a deacon's wife is to be trustworthy and worthy of respect. A deacon's wife is often called upon to minister to others and to be part of the ministry team of the church. The church needs the wives of her deacons to demonstrate godly character as godly wives, as godly mothers, characterized by respectability and faithfulness.

I see the deacon ministry as an extension of the pastoral ministry. Deacons do many of the same things pastors do, so they are able to multiply the ministry and ensure proper response to ministry needs. Deacons pray, call, visit, help, encourage, come alongside, correspond with, and generally serve the Lord by serving His people. God cares for His Bride, the church, through our deacons and their ministry in our midst. I thank God for our deacons - past, present, and future.

In Christ,
Pastor Calvin

Andrews First Baptist Church



2020 VISION: The Bride Adorned

"Prepared like a bride adorned for her husband."

Revelation 21:2

Preparing through Fellowship and Ministry

Sunday Services & Classes:

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

Evening Worship Service 6:00 p.m.

Kids on a Mission 6:00 p.m.

Youth Activities 6:00 p.m.

*****Mother's Day 5/12 No Evening Services or Classes*****

Wednesday Evening Services & Classes:

Triple J's and M&M's Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m.

Bible Study for All Ages 6:30 p.m.

Disciples in Training 6:30 p.m.

Youth Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.

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WMU NEWS MAY 2019

April showers bring May flowers, and the pollen, and the tall grass that needs to be mowed. But even with all that, May is a beautiful time of the year.

May also brings many activities and opportunities for our church. Our special May offering is the Mother's Day offering for the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, NC. You probably know someone who was helped with a hospital bill from there and that comes from this special offering. We have set the goal at \$1000 and will collect for the whole month of May.

May 7th is the Annual WMU meeting being held at Peachtree Baptist Church. The meal begins at 6:00 pm with the program starting at 6:45 pm. Some of the special programs include the "Gutsy Girls" from Peachtree Baptist Church. You will be able to meet Lottie Moon, Annie Armstrong and other outstanding women whose lives made a great impact for Christ. Also, there will be special music by Amy Carter and her youth choir.

This meeting is not just for WMU members, but for all church members who want to come and see what is going on with the WMU and missions. Men can come as well and all you need to bring is yourself and a covered dish. Meat and drinks provided.

And do not forget this date-May 12th-Mother's Day. Give Mom an extra hug and if your mother has already gone "home", give another mother a hug and tell them how much they have meant to you. And kids, this is a special time to tell your Mom that you love her and really appreciate all she does. Mother's love is the closest thing on earth to our Heavenly Father's love. Always honor it.

Helen

Kids Corner



Family Picnic- Sunday, May 5th, directly after morning church service @ Ferebee Park. Children 5th grade & under and their families are invited! Sub sandwiches and all the accessories will be provided. If you plan to attend please sign up in the foyer so we will know how many to expect. Let's enjoy some fellowship at the park!

Schools Out Splash Bash!!!-Friday, June 7th 5:30-7:30. This is a COMMUNITY WIDE event! All children of all ages from everywhere are invited to celebrate school being out with their families! Invite your friends and their parents! We will have a splashing time! There will be water slides and water activities. Food will be provided! Children must be accompanied by their parents/guardians!

CHURCH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SCHOOLS OUT BASH- This is an event where we are reaching out to the community and plan on promoting our upcoming VBS in July. We need your help! We need volunteers to help with the water activities, food, and other activities. Come and help!! If interested please sign up on the sign up sheet in the foyer!

Heather Luther & Children's Ministry Team

"He is not here He has been resurrected." Luke 24:6

This scripture was the emphasis for our Pampering & Prayers Tea Party. Nine of us gathered at our site April 13th. Linda Allen, our sister in Christ Poised & Polished gave a very inspirational, interesting and informative devotion. She told how Easter is celebrated around the world, then gave a personal open invitation to trust Jesus as risen Savior.

Thanks to Marilyn Tyler and Manna for personal hygiene bags for each girl present. Thank you Meredith Higdon for our door prize and the delicious chocolate table and Easter Lily for Ms. Linda. Dorcas Brooks your cheese biscuits so tasty. Linda's blueberry and almond tea refreshing. Thanks Kelley, Laura and Susie for all the food, decorating, gathering tea cups and help to make our Tea such an intimate and enjoyable girl time. Thank you Nancy Huffines for celebrating our Pampering & Prayers girls birthdays with beautiful watches. Thank you Martha West for the colorful planners and pens. We are so blessed to have so many contribute in so many ways to this ministry. Your love, care and thoughtfulness is so appreciated.

Thank you James, Terry, Bill, Victoria, Kathy and Dorcas for all the work with our Kid's Food Bag Ministry. Thanks again to Dr. & Mrs. Garland for another donation. Manna will deliver kid's food bags to AES & AMS for their summer program.

Nancy

GRADUATES!



High School:

Brooke Newton

Andrews High School

Thursday, May 23 @ 8:00 p.m.

Emily Roper

Andrews High School

Thursday, May 23 @ 8:00 p.m.

Master's Degree:

Rebecca Morgan

Master's of Social Work Degree from Western Carolina University; Friday, May 10 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Ramsey Center

Bachelor's Degree:

Mackenzie Higdon

Bachelor of Science Degree from Western Carolina in Communications Sciences and Disorders with a Minor in Special Education; Saturday, May 11 @ 3:00 p.m.

Bristol Brockwell

Bachelor of Science Degree from Appalachian State University in Exercise Science with a Minor in Nutrition; Friday, May 10 @ 5:00 p.m.



SAVE THE DATE for VBS 'IN THE WILD'!

July 21-25, 2019

**ANDREWS FIRST BAPTIST
SPECIAL OFFERING -
MAY 2019**

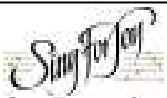
NC Baptist Hospital—Mother's Day Offering

Giving Thanks

"Give thanks to the God of heaven, for His steadfast love endures forever." Psalm 136:26

Week of prayer: May 5-12, 2019

Goal: \$1,000.00



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!!!

Our Easter Cantata and Children's Presentation was such a marvelous and wonderful blessing, as we celebrated the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! We also look forward to our new music we are learning for the remaining spring season and summertime.

REMINDER! Sunday, May 12, 2019 Mother's Day
@ 10:45 a.m. during our Morning Worship Service

We will be blessed by:
The KLASSENS
(Paraguayan Folk Harp & Keyboard Instrumentalists)

May we remember what a blessing a mother can be in our lives and remember the sacrifices she too made for us.

'Tribute to Mother'
By: John Greenleaf Whittier

A picture memory brings to me;
I look across the years and see
Myself beside my mother's knee.
I feel her gentle hand restrain
My selfish moods, and know again
A child's blind sense of wrong and pain.
But wiser now, a man gray grown,
My childhood's needs are better known.
My mother's chastening love I own.



Always at His feet,
Jennifer

1Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. **2**"Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise— **3**"so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." **4** Ephesians 6:1-3



♥ YOUNG AT HEARTS

There were 27 people at the Young At Heart Easter Luncheon on April 18, including 3 guests from the NC Baptist Aging Ministry (BAM): Debra Kuykendall, Anita Davie, and Angie Gregg. Everyone enjoyed the lovely Easter touches that Bill and Nancy Huffines had on the tables.

Following a yummy ham meal, a special program was held in the Fellowship Hall. Priscilla Cope and Helen Wilson shared a beautiful song, accompanied by Jennifer Farr. Debra shared some of the many services provided by NCBAM, Angie had us all laughing with her "Laughter is the Best Medicine" session, and Rev. Al Hood had the main message on Spiritual Wellness. Anita had a table display featuring many of the NCBAM activities.

Our next event will be Thursday, May 16: a picnic at the lower pavilion at the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds. Sub sandwiches will be served. A sign-up sheet is posted in the foyer. Pray for good weather!

Special prayer requests this month include Robert Taylor, who is recuperating at home; Kent Chapman, at the Murphy Rehab Center; Robin Gibson, recovering from brain surgery and anticipating further surgery and treatment; Virginia Adams, Virginia Cox, Marilyn Tyler, Barb Jones and Baby Eli, and others who have ongoing health and other needs. Pray for the health of Christian family relationships, Pastor Calvin and his family, deacons and their families, the youth directors, choir director and musicians, teachers and leaders in the various Sunday ministries and Wednesday evening classes, the outreach to the hungry on Monday nights, and each one who has a unique part in making Andrews First Baptist Church a lighthouse for Jesus. Remember our college students, high school and middle school students, and those in elementary school, as well as teachers and staff in our schools, that they may let their lights shine for Jesus in these closing days of school. Pray also for the end-of-school activities, including testing and graduation.

The Young At Hearts Committee

Linda Buchanan, Ronney Craig, Nancy Huffines,
Dana Jones, Pat Lancaster, Louise Phillips,
and Jeanette Wilson



Deacons On Call/April



Gary Kauffman-828.360.8024
Lucas Luther-828.361.7138
John McLendon-828.361.1557

May Birthdays

1. Brady McLelland 8. Joel Franks 8. Lori Revis 8. Gay West
9. Samuel Preston 10. Dale Crouse 11. Pastor Calvin Bobo
12. Teresa Wood 16. Heather Luther 19. Cindy Gibson
20. Bruce Rickett 22. Eric Arreaga 22. Adam Bobo
23. Madilyn Brooks 23. Robin Gibson 23. Carla McLean
24. Tom Cox 24. Laura Postell 24. Josh Postell 24. Tanner Postell
25. Janet Bobo 25. Bonnie Lloyd 26. Tammie Johnson
27. Brandon Allen 28. J. B. Bettis 28. Shelby O'Neil
29. Meredith Higdon 29. Brady Luther

May Anniversaries

5. Dick & Jackie Higdon 9. Tom & Hazel Cox
10. Ralph & Charlotte Clutton 22. David & Nancy Allen
28. Roger & Gloria Mays

Cherokee County Food Bank 10a.m.-12:00 Noon

Tues May 7 Karen Rogers

Sat May 11 Jeannie Huscusson

Meals On Wheels 10:00a.m. -12 Noon

Tues. May 7 Joe Gibson, Volunteer Needed
Tues. May 14 Lane Raxter, Volunteer Needed
Tues. May 21 Sandra Marr, Lane & Marilyn Raxter
Tues. May 28 Volunteer Needed



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MAY 2019 EVENTS

- Wed 5/1 WMU Meeting 4:30 p.m.
Yokefellow Ministry Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Fri 5/3 Andrews High School Beta Club Induction @ AFBC
6:00 p.m.
- Sun 5/5 Children's Ministry Picnic in the Park/following
Morning Worship Service
- Tues 5/7 Food Bank: Karen Rogers 10a.m.-Noon
- Thurs 5/9 Andrews Elementary School Choral Concert @ AFBC
6:00 p.m.
- Sat 5/11 Food Bank: Jeannie Huscusson 10a.m.-Noon
- Sun 5/12 Mother's Day/ Special Musical Guests
Morning Worship Service/Paraguayan Folk Harpist & Keyboard
The Klasses

No Evening Services or Classes
- Thurs 5/16 Young at Heart Picnic @ GA. Mountain Fair Pavilion
Andrews High School Baccalaureate Service 6:00 p.m.
- Sun 5/19 Mallory Wood's Baby Shower/Church Fellowship Hall
following Morning Worship Service

Deacons Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Tues 5/21 Andrews High School Sports Banquet
6:00 p.m.
- Wed 5/22 Children's Ministry/ Ice Cream Party at Scoops
- Fri 5/24 Game Night 6:00 p.m.
- Sun 5/26 River Baptism following Morning Worship Service
- Mon 5/27 Memorial Day/Church Office Closed

