

Plan for Connection

If there is something that we really want to see happen, it's best that we plan for it. If you want to have a great vacation this summer, you have to plan for it. There is something to be said for spontaneity, but when you want to aim for a sure thing, it's best to do a little planning.

One of the things that we really want to happen this summer is that our church remains connected. It is easy with varying summer schedules to lose connection with our church family. We really want our church family to stay connected through the summer, therefore we are making plans! Most of these plans are already in place. Vacation Bible School, Summer Camp weeks at Cheraw, the Kentucky mission trip, New York mission trip, and Uganda mission trip are all in the final planning stages. All of these ministry and mission opportunities will help us stay connected with the call of the Great Commission and each other.

To further enhance our connecting opportunities we are also planning to have a new Sunday morning schedule for the summer. **Beginning June 4th we will have Sunday School at 9 a.m. and Worship at 10 a.m.** This schedule will allow us to be connected in one vibrant worship service during a season when some of our families are away on vacation. The schedule will allow folks ample time to spend with family after having attended Sunday School and our worship service.

Let's plan, work, and pray for a summer of continued connection and spiritual growth. Let's plan on staying connected to church throughout this exciting summer season. Let's pray that God does a mighty work in our lives as we remain connected in our commitment to glorifying Him and making disciples.

For Him,
Chad

This Sunday at Berea First Baptist Church

Encounter Service at 8:15 am, Cornerstone Service at 10:30 am

Message by Dr. Chad Rickenbaker
There Is Help: The Holy Spirit Has Come

Evening Worship



Make every effort to be here Sunday and invite someone to join you in worship.
Our Lord deserves to have a building filled with joyful worshippers!

All Ladies of the Church are Invited

Tessa Shockey serves in Thailand with the International Mission Board. She will be speaking on **Tuesday, May 9 at 7:00 pm in the Senior Adult Building.** Mark your calendar to hear her life's journey from missionary kid to a commitment to serve. Refreshments will be served.



On May 31st we will have a summer kick off celebration. During this celebration worship service, we will highlight each of the ministries that will be taking place this summer through BFBC. These ministries include: VBS, Community outreach at the Berea House, Camp weeks at Cheraw, Kentucky mission trip, New York mission trip, and Uganda mission trip.

This will be a wonderful time for everyone to gather together, and in faith, praise God for all that He is going to accomplish through this exciting summer of ministry and mission. We will also spend time praying for everyone who will be a part of these trips. Therefore, we are asking everyone who will participate in any of these activities to be a part of the service. This includes everyone from children to adults.

After the service, we will head out to the parking lot for a time of fellowship over snow cones and ice cream. The Kona Ice and Pink Mama's trucks will be here. Bring a few dollars for you and your family and let's have some fun celebrating all that God has in store for us this summer!

The service will begin at 6:30 in the auditorium!



RSVP to rstark@bereafbc.org with the following by **May 7**;

- number from your family attending the breakfast, service, luncheon
- digital copies of graduate's senior picture and baby picture
- name of graduate's high school and his/her future plans
- graduate's favorite Bible verse

College Graduates

If you are a college graduate and plan to participate in the graduation recognition service on May 21, please contact Ricky at 246-1921 or rstark@bereafbc.org.

**Grades 1-5 Choir
Dress Rehearsal & Dinner**
Friday, May 5, 5:30-8:00 pm

BFBC Book Club

Monday, May 8, 6:00 pm
Welcome Center
"Miss Julie Weathers the Storm"
By Ann B. Ross

**Wednesday, May 10 is the
deadline to register for camp!**



Registration Fee: \$50, Total cost: \$215
Counselor Fee: \$40

All fees are due by May 17

Camp Forest, Cheraw State Park
Junior Week, Grades 2 – 5, June 18–22
Senior Week, Grades 6 – 12, June 25–30

Financial Report Sunday, April 30, 2017

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,353,255.76
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 4-30.....\$20,063.60
Legacy Gifts.....\$565.00
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$2,177.00
Total Deposit.....\$22,805.60

Attendance

Sunday Morning Services.....481

Sympathy

Sympathy to Teresa Clayton in the death of her father, Calvin Lursen.

Memorial Gifts

Gifts have been given in memory of:
Jean Ammons by:
Jim and Diane Harrill

Gifts have been given in honor of:
Catherine Brockman by:
Robbie Batson
Joyce Clayton

Baby Dedication Service

Sunday, May 14,
10:30 am

Friendship Group

Tuesday, May 16, 11:00 am
Senior Adult Building
Program: Bud Moon, Comedian from the Anderson Follies
Menu: Chicken Salad with Croissant, Pasta Salad, Fruit, Brownie
Reservations Required by
Thursday, May 11.

The Three Little Pigs

Presented by the Preschool Choir
Wednesday, May 17, 6:15 pm

G.A. Recognition Service

Sunday, May 21, 6:00 pm

Kentucky Meeting

Thursday, May 25, 7:00 pm
In the Patio room
All payments are due at this meeting

Opportunities

SUNDAY

8:15 am Encounter Service
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Cornerstone Service
6:00 pm Children's Musical

WEDNESDAY

5:15-6:30pm Supper
6:00pm Praying @ the Dock
6:00-6:45pm Preschool Choir
6:30-7:30pm 1st-5th Grade Choir
6:45-7:30pm Bible Study (Sanctuary)
7:35-9:00pm Student Worship
Preschool Mission Friends
Grades 1-5 G.A.'s
Grades 1-5 R.A.'s
Worship Choir

THURSDAY

7:00am Men's Prayer Group
6:30pm Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday Night Supper Menu for May 9

Hamburger Steak with Gravy and Onions,
Rice, Corn, Lima Beans.
Cancellations or reservations must be made by **9:00 am Monday**.

Reaching Center

Food items needed this week:
macaroni and cheese, corn,
beef stew, fruit

Mark Your Calendar!

Vacation Bible School

June 5-9, 9:00 am-12 noon
3 Year Olds—Grade 5
(Must have turned 3 by Sept 1, 2016)

Vacation Bible School Craft

Please save all of your paper towel rolls and toilet paper rolls for a VBS craft. You can bring them to the church office or

May Mission Action Project

Hygiene Bags for Uganda

Pack the following items in **QUART-SIZED BAGS** (as many as you can fit):
toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, soap, shampoo, conditioner, band-aids, antibacterial gel, razors, and any kind of basic toiletries that you can easily pack. You can pack them as a bag for men, women, or for either.