

Spire

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August 27th, 2010



Youth International Mission Trip Meeting Aug. 29 @ 5p.m.

Join us as we eat dinner, reveal our destination, and share information about the trip planned for June 2011.

Youth and parents will gather in the Youth Room.

Communion
Sunday

August 29th in
Worship



Construction Crew Umbrella

Our Sunday Night program begins the fall session on September 12, 5:00-6:30 p.m. Active Angels for 4 yrs. - K., Bible Buddies for grades 1-3 and Construction Crew for grades 4-6. This program focuses on the Blueprint for Foundational Building Blocks of Faith Development. A copy of this booklet is always available in the church office and contains the things we believe a child should know, understand and experience before becoming a youth.

Weekday Preschool News

"All God's Children were created with gifts and talents to be used for God's work. Teachers have the privilege of helping their students discover those gifts; Christian teachers help their students dedicate those gifts to God." (from *Prayers of a Dedicated Teacher*) What a blessing it is for the Weekday Preschool teachers to be a part of this journey! Continue to pray for the staff as we endeavor to be the hands and feet of Christ in this ministry of the church!

The Grand Opening and Dedication of the Faith Center Warehouse Bagwell Food Pantry



Sunday, September 12, 2010
Light Lunch until Dedication at 1:00 p.m.
207 East Nineteenth Street, Rome, Georgia
For information call Davies Shelter @ 706.232.9990
or Action Ministries @ 706.291.7731

Come meet the volunteers and staff of the Shelters and Rome Action Ministries and tour the new warehouse and food pantry.

Women of the Church

The High Tea has been postponed because of scheduling difficulties. A dinner has been planned for September 28. More information will be given concerning all events following the next WOC Committee Meeting September 1 at 5:00 pm in the Community Room.

Great Date Night This Saturday, August 28th

Begins at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.
Childcare with reservations only.



Youth Upcoming Events

The Edge (12th Graders ONLY!)

September 20th at 7:00p.m. @ the Shippey's Home

The third Monday of every month the seniors will be meeting together in a family's home to discuss life after high school. We will discuss topics that will help them prepare for the real world.

Chick-Fil-A Devotions

Join us EVERY Tuesday at 7 a.m. at Chick-Fil-A for a time of delicious breakfast and an encouraging devotion!

Sunday Nights Resume

Sunday evening activities begin on September 12, with Chapel Choir at 5 p.m., Snack Supper and Youth Bible Study to follow.

Adult Seminars

Wednesdays in September



The following five-week seminars present adults with a tremendous opportunity to explore areas of belief that will enrich our thinking and deepen our faith journey. The presenters are from within our congregation gifted in their fields. Join us on Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. for the seminar of your choice!

Now that I Believe

Led by Dr. Randy Richardson, Merrill Davies, Martha Heneisen
Meets in the Conference Room

Modeled after NPR's "This I Believe" and the 1950's Edward R. Murrow radio series of the same name, "Now That I Believe..." will provide practical guidance and instruction in the creation and delivery of personal narrative essays designed to illustrate principles of faith in action. The objective is to highlight those personal moments of illumination or catharsis that have helped to define one's Christian walk.

Science and Faith: Creative Tension

Led by Dr. Kathy Whatley
Meets in the Dining Room

Are science and faith in conflict? Is it possible to be a scientist and a person of faith? What are the major questions a scientist should ask about faith – and that people of faith should ask about science? We will examine these issues from an historical perspective, through the lives of Copernicus, Galileo, Mendel, Darwin, and Einstein. No science background is required. Come prepared to discuss ideas in small groups.

The Gospels

Led by Dr. Joel Snider
Meets in the Chapel

Have you ever noticed the similarities between the four gospels? Have you noticed the differences? This seminar will give an introductory look at the way the four gospels give us a comprehensive view of Jesus' earthly life and ministry.

Expressions

Congratulations to:

Michael Taylor and Lisa Blake, who were married on August 14th.

Myra Hall on the birth of a great-grandson, Sidney Alexander Hall, on July 21st in San Antonio, Texas. The parents are Technical Sergeant Sidney and Barbara Hall. The great-aunt is Lee Petusky.

Todd and Michelle Sparkman on the birth of twin daughters, Lyla James and Mary Connor Sparkman, on August 10th.

Kent and Ashley Ellington on the birth of a daughter, Anne Walker Ellington on August 19th.



Flowers In the Sanctuary

Flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, August 29th, are given to the glory of God and in honor of Jana Weidemann on our 10th wedding anniversary, by Bill Weidemann.

Flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, August 29th, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dennis Sullins and Sara Worthington by Pauline Sullins.

Flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, September 5th, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dan Hanks, Sr., former trustee of FBC, on the 100th anniversary of his birth on September 11, 1910 by Dr. and Mrs. Dan Hanks, Jr.

Flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, September 5th, are given to the glory of God and in honor of Gaynelle Grizzard on her 81st birthday by Parrish and Mary Owens.

Memorials and Honoraria

William S. Davies Homeless Shelter

In Memory of Dr. Terry Woods

By: Bob and Martha Cates

In Memory of David Lester

By: John and Ruthy Countryman

FBC Foundation

In Memory of Lola Bradshaw

By: Tim and CeCe Wallis

In Memory of Bernard C. Harris

By: The Harris Family

In Memory of Jean Jones Rhodes

By: Ann Glass

Music Ministry

In Memory of Oxford Robertson

By: Millie Ruland

CBF World Hunger Relief

In Memory of Rubye Robertson

By: Millie Ruland

Calendar of Activities

August 28th - September 10th, 2010

Saturday, August 28

Childcare Drop Off

5:15pm

Great Date Night

5:30pm

Minister on Call: Tamara Smathers @ 706-266-7141

Sunday, August 29

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ) 9:00am

Bible Study (all ages) 9:45am

Worship- Comcast 62 11:00am

World Hunger Offering

Youth Mission Trip Information Meeting

5:00pm

Monday, August 30

No Activities Planned

Tuesday, August 31

Children & Youth Chick-Fil-A Devotional 7:00am

Wednesday, September 1st

Circle of Friends, Conf. Rm

10:00am

Family Night Supper, FH 5:00pm

Bible Study Preparation, DR 5:20pm

Youth Gathering, YR 5:30pm

Children's Choirs 5:45pm

Prayer Meeting, FH 6:00pm

Youth Connection, YR 6:15pm

Adult Seminars

6:20pm

FBC.com 6:30pm

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, CR 6:45pm

Thursday, September 2nd

RIEI Board Meeting

5:30pm

Friday, September 3rd

No Activities Planned

Saturday, September 4th

Minister on Call: Joel Snider @ 706-235-7099

Sunday, September 5th

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ) 9:00am

Bible Study (all ages) 9:45am

Worship-Comcast 62 11:00am

Monday, September 6th

Labor Day - Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 7th

Children & Youth Chick-Fil-A Devotional 7:00am

Roundtable Book Group, Parlor

10:30am

Wednesday, September 8th

Trip to Crossville

Two Broadway Hit Musicals

A Senior Adult trip is planned for October 21-22 to Crossville, TN. We will see *A Little Night Music* and *Brigadoon*. The trip includes admission to two musicals, transportation, lodging, two meals and fall colors all for \$165 (double occupancy). Please sign up with Karen in the church office by calling 706.291.6850.

Giving to God

Year-to-Date: Ministry Support Needed \$1,369,630.11

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Sunday Worship

August 29, 2010

Sermon: What I Believe: The Present
Christ

Preacher: Dr. Joel Snider

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:3-8

Anthem: Beautiful Savior...Fettke

Minister on Call

Tamara Tillman Smathers
706-266-7141

Family Night Menu September 1st

Mixed Green Salad/ Three Dressings
Baked Chicken with Rosemary
Roasted Quartered New Potatoes
Sautéed Green Beans
Squash Casserole
Chocolate Mousse

Children's Options:

Spaghetti and Meatballs
Applesauce
Chocolate Pudding

Sunday Worship

September 5th, 2010

Sermon: What I Believe: Help My
Unbelief

Preacher: Dr. Joel Snider

Scripture: Mark 9:14-25

Anthem: Be Still My Soul...Courtney

Minister on Call

Joel Snider
706-235-7099

Family Night Menu September 8th

Mixed Green Salad/ Three Dressings
Condiments/Sliced Red Tomatoes
Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Glazed Carrots
Key Lime Pie

Children's Options:

Hamburgers with French Fries
Fruit Cocktail
Ice Cream Bars

Pastor's Column

I'm extending to you an opportunity to participate in the "Now that I Believe" journey. On Wednesday evenings, beginning September 1, we will offer a five-week seminar on writing your own faith statement about the difference that believing in Christ makes in your life. You can participate in this seminar at one of two levels. First, you can simply discuss and write whatever you'd like to say about the difference faith makes in your life. Perhaps putting words to your faith will help solidify your own convictions. Or, you can look at future worship topics and write about one of the specific subjects we'll use on upcoming Sundays. Because the worship emphasis is on the personal changes brought about by faith, we hope that some members will participate in worship by offering brief testimonies to accompany the worship themes. Merrill Davies, Martha Heneisen, and Randy Richardson will be leading the seminar. They will offer encouragement for writing about your faith, provide a list of upcoming worship topics, and provide help in formatting testimonies from those who may wish to read their faith statement.

One thing I know about this congregation is the reluctance members have to draw attention to themselves. I'd like to encourage you to consider writing about the difference faith makes in your life, AND to consider using it as a way to participate in worship. Perhaps your words, your experience, will be just the support someone else needs to grow in their own faith. Before you decide not to try this exercise, come see what topics are planned for worship. You never know which one might speak to your heart and lead you to express your faith in a new way.

Joel

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