

Ardmore BAPTIST CHURCH

Connecting People with Jesus Christ

WORSHIP CONNECTION

February 18
Morning (8:15 & 10:45)

“Back to the Basics”
Romans 12:1-2, 9-13
Dr. Bill Wilson

Churchwide E-mails

In order to ensure that you receive the e-newsletter and churchwide e-mails, please add these to your e-mail contact list/address book.

- Ardmore Baptist: notifications@onrealm.org
- Ardmore Baptist 2: notifications@onrealmmail.org

Contact Debra in the church office if you need help.

Our Mission:

“To connect people of all ages with Jesus Christ and each other in life-changing relationships.”

Ash Wednesday Service

Join us Wednesday, February 14, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary for this meaningful service. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent. The 40 days of the Lenten season remind us of the 40 days Jesus was in the wilderness as he reflected on his mission and prepared for his ministry. During these 40 days, we, too, are called to reflect on our own commitment to follow Jesus.



This is a family-friendly service; all are welcome. Children’s Choirs (1st - 6th grades) will end at 5:55 p.m. so that families may attend the service together.

Lenten Devotionals

Small devotional booklets entitled *Christ Our Hope*, written by Henri Nouwen, are available at the Welcome Desk and Sunday Bible Study office. You are encouraged to take one and use it during the Lenten season. There is no charge for the booklets.

Pledge Cards

If you were unable to participate in the time of commitment on New Consecration Sunday, but still have a desire to do so, you may return the Estimate of Giving Card directly to Susan Griffin at the church or e-mail it to sgriffin@ardmorebaptist.org. Please call with any questions (336-725-8767).

Church Office Closed

The church office will close at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 15, due to a transformer being changed out by Duke Energy. Phones, lights, e-mail, will be out and no personnel will be here. If you have an emergency and need to contact a minister, please call Gina (336-970-9117). We expect to be up and running by Friday morning.

Paying/Registering For Events On Realm

Whether you use the app or the Realm website, registration and payment for events is available online. Go to Events and scroll to the date the event will take place. Click on the event name and it will take you to the Register/Pay section. The easiest way is to use the link (or QR code) in the *Announcer* and Connecting Link for your specific event (hyperlinks in the online version of the *Announcer* are live). Please do not use the Giving tab to pay for events. If you have questions, contact Debra (dnorris@ardmorebaptist.org).

Brock's Block

Sunday, to the Christian mind, is a "little Easter." It is the collective memory of the moment when the tomb opened, empty of the death it promised, and new life began. It is the moment when the Christian community remembers again that death does not triumph, that evil cannot prevail, that the death of the spirit is not final, and that Jesus lives yet – in us.

- Joan Chittester, *The Liturgical Year*

Gathering for worship is the heartbeat of Ardmore Baptist Church. Every Sunday we come together in the sanctuary as a community of faith to encounter God, listen for God's direction, and remember and recommit to live like Jesus. During this interim time, worship will continue along with all the missions and ministries of Ardmore. Even though leadership may change, our calling remains the same.

Over the next couple of months, we'll see some familiar faces in the pulpit. This Sunday, Bill Wilson will lead us. Bill is a long-time member of Ardmore and the Director of the Center for Healthy Churches. Mike Nuckolls, our Minister of Missional Engagement and Church Administrator, will preach February 25, and Lee Ritchie, our Minister with Children, will preach March 4. On March 18, our youth will lead us. Through the years, we've seen how capable our teenagers are and have discovered how much they have to teach us. On March 25, Dave Odom will return to be with us. Dave and his family moved to Durham in 2009 when Dave accepted the call to be the Executive Director of Leadership Education at Duke University. And then I am excited to say I have the privilege of filling the pulpit on Easter.

Together, we continue to be the body of believers at Ardmore Baptist Church connecting people of all ages with Jesus Christ and each other in life-changing relationships. The heartbeat goes on ...

- Gina Brock

Heck-Jones® Offering

This special offering is vital to the missions and ministries of WMU NC. It supports SHINE (myMISSION), a unique WMU NC missions approach that seeks to challenge, inspire, and mentor young women who seek to engage in ways to share and be God's light. The one common goal is missions for life! Missions for life happens when you Serve God, Help Others, Inspire Believers, Network Community, and Experience Christ.

Pathways Launch Take 2



Let's try again! All adult Sunday Bible Study classes are invited to join us on Sunday, February 25, at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for the unveiling of Ardmore's Pathways Faith Formation

Plan. There will be muffins, coffee, and orange juice. Join us as we discuss the future of faith formation at Ardmore for you and your family! (*Children and Youth SBS teachers are asked to come at 8:30 a.m.*)

Dane's DownLow

Babysitting Team

Are you looking for a babysitter for date night, for evening events or for a more regular commitment this summer? Well, we have a resource for you! The youth group has developed a babysitting team. These are high school-aged youth who love kids and are interested in babysitting. If you are looking for someone to watch your children or grandchildren, contact me (dmartin@ardmorebaptist.org; 336-725-8767) and I will provide you with a list of students and their contact information.

Youth Basketball

The Ardmore youth basketball teams had a great season this year. The girls' team set an Ardmore record with the most wins in a single season in the history of Ardmore girls basketball! They finished 5-4. The two senior high boys' teams had lots of fun, made great progress in their skills and teamwork, and showed great sportsmanship throughout the year. The intermediate boys' team went undefeated (8-0) in the regular season and had several games in which every player scored. We are thankful for all the participants and know that God has used sports to change lives

- Dane Martin

Youth Registrations

Big Stuf: June 21-26 - Deadline to register is March 31. The next payment is due February 18. Register/pay via Realm (<https://tinyurl.com/y8559fa3>).

Youth Summer Missions Camp: July 17-20 - Cost: \$90 for students and \$70 for adults (includes food and housing), due upon registration by May 23. Register/pay via Realm (<https://tinyurl.com/y8559fa3>).



The contact for all trips is Beverly Whitfield (336-765-8312). Checks should be made payable to Ardmore Baptist Church and mailed to Beverly.

Thursday, March 22: Travel to Mill Creek General Store in Mt. Airy and the Wohlfahrt Dinner Theater in Wytheville, Virginia for a four-course lunch and the 50s & 60s music show, *Smokey Joe's Café*. Cost is \$70, due by February 22.

Thursday, April 26: Travel to Raleigh to tour the NC State Capitol, NC Legislative Building, NC Museum of History, and the NC Executive Mansion, home of the Governor. Cost: \$30. *Deadline to register is March 26.*

Express Choir

In order to provide a time that is more suitable for young families, the Adult Choir will hold a short and quick "express" rehearsal for the first half hour of choir rehearsal. The Express Choir will run from 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Young adults who have children will be able to rehearse the anthem for the coming Sunday, along with a few upcoming anthems. They can then leave to get their children home early. Childcare will also be provided during this short and quick half hour rehearsal. The Express Choir begins this Wednesday, February 8. Come join us this week and try it out!

Announcing Guest Clinician For The Children's Music & Arts Camp

Our Music and Arts Camp Team is excited to announce that Bethany Jennings will be the guest Choral Clinician for our camp this summer. Bethany is a High School Choral Director in Belmont, NC and is in great demand as a choral clinician for youth and children's choir festivals throughout the state and beyond. She is the founder of North Carolina's Collegiate Choral Symposium and also freelances as music director for community theater organizations. The dates for this year's camp are July 23 - 28. Register/pay at <https://tinyurl.com/y838f7a4>. Last year's camp was filled to capacity, so please register as early as possible. We are limited to an enrollment of 70 children.

Fully Engaged

Serving in Puerto Rico

From a rooftop view I witnessed Kathy Stewart talking with Abraham. From the ground, I could hear Paul Young laughing with Adria on the roof. I was standing by Jose when Jeff McIntyre plunged forward to give him a big man-hug. From across the street I saw Mark Ernstes holding hands with Ana and praying with her. I was nearby when Henry Walters was pleading with Abraham to let him help so as not to aggravate his pneumonia. I was fortunate to see Christ every day serving his children in Puerto Rico.- *Mike Nuckolls*

Deacon of the Week



February 12 - 18
David Niblock
Phone: (336) 760-0098

Weekend Call

February 17-18
Gina Brock
Phone: 336-970-9117

ABC Preschool Registration

Registration for 2018 - 2019 will begin February 19. You may pick up a registration form from the preschool counter or online at www.ardmorebaptist.org. Contact Mrs. Julie to take a tour or for more information (jsugg@ardmorebaptist.org; 336-725-3530). We would love to have your family join us.



Artist Showcase

March 18 at 3:00 p.m.

Our Arts at Ardmore Series continues to connect with our music and arts community and is excited to present its first visual art showcase in March. Betty Vettor will be the featured artist. We invite you to join us for a time to meet the artist, view her works, and experience the creative passion and inspiration of this local Winston-Salem artist.

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Memorials & Honoraria

HANDICRAFTERS

In Honor of Linda Cline & the Handicrafters

Barry & Carolyn Tilley

HECK JONES OFFERING

In Honor of Sandra Bovender & Patty Stockner

Jean Phillips Bible Study Group

MUSIC MINISTRY

In Honor of Dianne & Lindsay Robertson's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Doug & Brenda Sprinkle

SPECIAL MINISTRIES

In Memory of Jim Hagaman

Daisy Hagaman

In Memory of Jacque Spaugh

Jean Phillips Bible Study Group

UNIFIED BUDGET

In Memory of Ralph Farmer

The Gathering SBS Class

WORLD HUNGER-GAZA

In Honor of Debra Norris

Carol Polk

CBFNC Annual Gathering

March 15 - 17

Knollwood Baptist Church

Gather with Cooperative Baptists from across NC to celebrate the ministry of all of God's people and our shared mission together. Register online at <http://www.cbfnc.org/events/fitchurch>.



Financial Peace University

Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.

March 21, 28; April 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23

Jay Van Nostrand will lead Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, which can help you take control of your money and start planning for your future. Register at <https://fpu.com/1050977>. The cost is \$109 per family. Limited scholarships are available. For more information, contact Jay (336-793-6124). Childcare will be available through regular Wednesday evening activities.

Samaritan Inn Volunteers Needed

The cold weather continues to create harsh and unsafe environments for our homeless neighbors in our community. In order to keep providing shelter, we need some overnight volunteers. Groups of 1 - 6 people can pick a night to serve in the shelter. Contact Anna Donze (anna.donze@samaritanforsyth.org) to sign up. Team members work overnight, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. Dinner, breakfast, and separate sleeping quarters are provided.

For the Record

February 11, 2018

Sunday Bible Study:		489
Morning Worship:	8:15AM	105
	10:45AM	448

Stewardship

Weekly Budget Needs	\$	36,806
Budget Receipts 02/11/18	\$	49,514
Needs-To-Date	\$	220,836
Receipts-To-Date	\$	209,203
Over/(Under)-To-Date	\$	(11,633)

Donations Needed

Ashley Academy needs items for the PBIS store (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports). Items include: small stuffed animals, Match Box/Hot-wheels cars, costume jewelry, small posters, college pennants, small balls (foam, nerf or rubber - not super bouncy balls), small plastic dinosaurs or farm animals, pencils, pads of paper, colored pencils, washable markers, small plastic figurines for girls (fairies, unicorns etc.). Collection boxes are located at the steps off the covered drop off area. Thank you for your donations.