

Ardmore Announcer

CONNECTING PEOPLE WITH JESUS CHRIST.

Announcing the Mission and Ministries of Ardmore Baptist Church, Inc., Winston-Salem, NC

Volunteer Of the Year

Congregational Nurse and Health Ministry/The Shepherd's Center

Last Tuesday, Debra Norris received the Volunteer of the Year award from The Shepherd's Center for her role in their congregational nurse ministry. According to Lori Carter, co-director of the CNHM program, Debra has been a strong supporter of the program since its inception.



"This year we are giving this award to an outstanding nurse with steadfast dedication

and enthusiasm for the health and wellbeing of others," said Carter. "She has served her congregation since 1995 in an administrative capacity and has been their Faith Community Nurse since 2008."

Debra has made herself available to our congregation for health questions, help navigating the health system, medical and medicine consultation, blood pressure checks, setting up flu shot clinics, and educating about healthier eating.

"You have been an inspiration to me, and are one of the best examples of a quiet, effective presence I can think of," co-director Judy Iannuzzi said of Debra.

- Mike

Baptist Church

Worship Connection

April 2 Morning (8:15 & 10:45): 5th Sunday in Lent

"I Believe in the Communion of the Saints"

Dr. Don Gordon

KidNection (10:45)

"Jesus Performed Miracles"

Bring a Friend!

CBF NC General Assembly: "As You Go"

Thursday, March 30 - Saturday, April 1 (see http://tinyurl.com/k86mt3n for additional events)

Annual Gathering

Friday, March 31; 8:30 a.m. - 8:15 p.m. First Baptist Church, Hickory; Cost: free

Worship, workshops, exhibits, fellowship, and more! This day will include all of the traditional elements associated with the CBFNC General Assembly and will feature keynote preacher, Susan Sparks.

Pre-registration is encouraged. There will be limited meal tickets available at registration. Register at http://tinyurl.com/l6f4ojm.

"All Are Called" Forum

Saturday, April 1; 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. First Baptist Church, Hickory; Cost: free

Featured Speakers: Suzii Paynter, CBF Global; Kelly King, CEO, BB&T Join CBF as we explore ways to reclaim the need for all of God's people to live out God's call in their families, neighborhoods, workplaces, and leisure time.

And the Lord Added

Jeff and Gena Cook Rudina Tahiri

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, March 30, 2017 3:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Blood donations are needed in our area. Please sign up now (www. redcrossblood.org) to give. Enter the words "Ardmore Baptist" (leave off the word "church" in the drive search box). Thank you for giving!

OUR MISSION:

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Dinner Theater A Rousing Success!

What a night it was! The dinner theater started strong and ended with the youth ministry raising over \$5,000 for their summer mission trip and other trips for the coming year. All participants were invited to walk down Hollywood Blvd. and view the stars. As they stepped onto the red carpet they had to watch out for the paparazzi who were excitedly taking pictures and looking forward to seeing all who were attending the gala. Everyone was a star and was able to take pictures along the red carpet with their date, family, and friends. The attendees were amazed by the variety and value of the silent auction items. Guests mingled with each other in anticipation of the highly-touted group who was to present *Suspect Hollywood*. The night was full of laughter, mystery, and intrigue. The audience



participated on stage at one point and were thrilled to guess who the culprit was towards the end of the performance. The critics who attended raved about the show, their great service during dinner, and how well the silent auction was organized.

We are truly grateful for everyone who attended and supported the students throughout the night. We hope you all had a great time. We enjoyed being your hosts and entertainment for the evening. The students were amazing and I am proud of each and every one who was there - for the work they did, and the commitment they made to the night. A huge thank you goes to all the parents who put in many hours in the weeks leading up to the event. David Fitzgerald and Cynthia Nordskog did an amazing job with the performance and getting us all ready. We look forward to using this money for these trips, and can't wait to see how Christ is going to use us to bring transformation to this world.

- Dane

Experiencing Jesus Through Scripture

I remember falling in love with scripture. I was 15 and striving to emerge from my childhood chrysalis. I needed to hear words of encouragement and support. I needed to know someone else understood. I needed to feel like I wasn't alone. Remembering my mother's wise counsel to go to God in scripture, one night I picked up my father's Living Bible – only a paraphrase, yes, but a paraphrase whose words were much more accessible than King James English. I landed in the psalms. Those centuries-old words leapt from the page, transforming into prayer and presence. They spoke on my behalf, expressing my cries and needs in ways I could not. God met me in each encounter. I remember thinking, "I can understand this. It's like it was written just for me." And it was.

In fact, it was written for us all. The words and stories in our Bible are one of the ways God meets us – comforting us in times of sorrow, confronting us when we're stubborn, challenging us when we're self-righteous, and giving us words for prayers we cannot express.

During this season of Lent, we're reading through the gospel of Mark. We're reading not just for information but for transformation – asking Jesus to meet us in our time of contemplation and reflection and to help us be more like him. It's not too late to join in the reading. Copies are at the Welcome Desks and it can be downloaded from our website (http://tinyurl.com/lejc724).

If you've experienced Jesus through the gospel readings, come tell me about it. I would love to hear how God is meeting you. May you encounter Christ in the words of scripture and may he transform you with his grace.

Ardmore Baptist Neighbors

For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command:
"Love your neighbor as yourself."

— Galatians 5:14

ike doing odd jobs? Want to put Lhandy work skills to good use? Looking for a way to express your love for Christ? Become an Ardmore Baptist Neighbor and help folks who are unable to perform minor, home-based tasks themselves. Jobs may include raking leaves, yard work, cleaning homes (inside or outside), changing bulbs, moving furniture, removing trash or debris, etc. If you do it at your house, it needs to be done at someone else's! Kindness, helpfulness, and friendliness are the only skills necessary. More involved projects are available as well. Contact Mike (336-725-8767; mnuckolls@ardmorebaptist.org) to become an Ardmore Baptist Neighbor!

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Ardmore ABCs ...

Our sympathy and Christian concern are expressed to the following in the loss of loved ones:

Les Davis in the death of his mother, Evalyn Davis; Norman Jameson in the death of his father, Marvin Jameson

Gracious notes of appreciation have been received from the following and are posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall:

Jerry and Reba Jennings family

Congratulations to:

Chris Hull and Brooke Parise on their marriage on March 18th

Past And Present WMU Members

Lynda Phillips is writing the History of ABC's Woman's Missionary Union. If you are a past or present member of Ardmore's WMU and have gone on a foreign mission trip, contact Lynda (336-659-0800) to give her your information.

Family Easter Celebration

Saturday, April 8 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

All families are invited to join us for a morning of using our five senses to experience Holy Week. Children and parents will step into the sights and sounds of Holy Week and consider Jesus' love for us. We will participate in the retelling of the Easter story in a way that welcomes holy imagination. Families are asked to *bring a snack to share* as we conclude our celebration.

The Living Last Supper

Maundy Thursday, April 13; 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary One of Christianity's most significant events was brilliantly portrayed by Leonardo Da Vinci centuries ago: The Last Supper. This Renaissance masterpiece is brought to life in "The Living Last Supper," a dramatic musical experience for Holy Week presented by the Adult Choir, instrumentalists, and dramatic monologues of Jesus and the 12 disciples.

Stations Of The Cross

Good Friday, April 14

7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Ardmore Baptist Sanctuary

We will once again offer the "Stations of the Cross." This individual, self-guided devotional experience, also known as the Way of the Cross, will include ten stations with symbols, visuals, scripture, meditation, and prayers for worshipers to use as they meditate on the different scenes from the Passion and death of Christ. You may go through the stations anytime during the day or evening. It usually takes about thirty minutes to go through the stations.

Deacon of the Week



March 27 - April 2 **Becky Bryant**Phone: 336-945-2860

Weekend Call

April 1 - 2 **Don Gordon** Phone: 919-972-1933

PMBA Senior Adult Luncheon

May 25; 12:00 noon
Old Town Baptist Church
Join us for a meal, entertainment by
pianist Joni Hanna, door prizes, and
great fellowship. Meal tickets are \$6.50
each and may be purchased from the
PMBA (336-830-8189) by May 18.

Tee 2 Green Golf Tournament

Friday, May 19
Reynolds Park Golf Course

Registration brochures are at the Welcome Desk in the main lobby. Complete the form and return it, along with your fees, to Susan Griffin in the church office. If you have questions, contact Jeff McIntyre (jeff@mcintyre mfg.com). Net proceeds benefit our H2H Ministry at Ashley Academy.

This year, a complimentary lunch will be served 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Registration and practice will begin at noon. There will be a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m.



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Memorials and Honoraria

Facilities

In Memory of Mary Ellen Hopper Billy & Bonnie Whitaker

Handicrafters

In Memory of Dewey Heggie The Joy Sunday Bible Study Class

<u>Music Ministry</u>

In Memory of Evalyn Davis

The Deacon Council Billy & Bonnie Whitaker The Gathering Sunday Bible Study Class Doug & Brenda Sprinkle

Unified Budget

In Memory of Mary Ellen Hopper The Deacon Council

Vision Fund

In Honor of Don Gordon Richard & Evalyn Bell

Maintenance

ive a special thanks to these for Thelping maintain our property:

- Jeff McIntyre welding repair of a rusted handrail:
- Kathy Stewart and Darlene Osborne for painting rooms.

For the Record March 26, 2017		
Sunday Bible Study		456
Morning Worship		
8:15 a.m.		112
10:45 a.m.		430
Stewardship		
Weekly Budget Needs	\$	35,220
Budget Receipts 03/26/17	\$	30,732
Needs-To-Date	\$	457,861
Receipts-To-Date	\$	447,846
Over/(Under)-To-Date	\$	(10,015)

Movie Night

oin us on Friday, April 7, for Chocolat. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Movie starts at 7:00 p.m. Bring your favorite chocolate! You may view the trailer at http:// tinyurl.com/m2zcfjn.

Vacation Bible School

June 26 - 30; 9:00 a.m. -12:00 noon daily

Things you should know:

- ◆ To volunteer, contact Lee Ritchie (lritchie@ardmorebaptist.org) or Cathy Irwin (cathy.irwin@ymail.com). We need volunteers to work with preschoolers, elementary aged children, in the nursery, and lead the lessons and activities.
- ♦ Volunteers, mark your calendar now for VBS Training May 21, 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
- ◆ You may register your children at ardmorebaptist.org/vbs. VBS is open to all children 1st - 6th grade, and Ardmore Baptist children 3 - 5 years old.









Training

Interested in helping people recover from the effects of natural disaster? Train-Ling for mass feeding, recovery/clean-up, childcare, counseling, and support functions is being offered through NC Baptist Men, April 21 - 22 in Rockingham County. This training will lead to certification to serve with the NCBM Disaster Relief Ministry. There is a fee, but check with Mike about support from the church.

Interested persons may visit http://tinyurl.com/m9uuf5w for more information or contact Mike to sign up (336-725-8767; mnuckolls@ardmorebaptist.org).