



ARDMORE ANNOUNCER

CONNECTING PEOPLE WITH JESUS CHRIST.

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

June Is Name Tag Month

Based on feedback from guests and church members alike, name tags help to invite conversation by building rapport and connection. You will find name tags and pens conveniently located at the entrances. We encourage you to wear one each Sunday/Wednesday throughout the month of June.

Thanks for helping us connect with one another!



ARDMORE
Baptist Church

Worship Connection

June 11

Morning (8:15 & 10:45):

"The 10 Commandments"

Exodus 20:1-17

Dr. Don Gordon

Bring a Friend!

Vacation Bible School ... It Is Closer Than You Think!

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

- ◆ **Volunteers Needed:** Contact Lee Ritchie (lritchie@ardmorebaptist.org) or Cathy Irwin (cathy.irwin@ymail.com) to volunteer.
- ◆ **VBS Work Days:** Wednesdays, June 7, 14, and 21; 9:00 a.m. - noon.
- ◆ **Register Your Children:** VBS is open to all children rising 1st - 7th grade, and Ardmore Baptist children 3 - 5 years old. You may submit your registration online at ardmorebaptist.org/vbs.

Children's Summer Music And Arts Camp

We are getting very excited about our first Ardmore Baptist Children's Summer Music and Arts Camp. The dates are July 31 - August 4. The camp will run all day, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The cost is only \$50 for the entire week. It is open to children who have completed 1st - 6th grades.

Our Choral Clinician for the week will be Ms. Terri Vancil, Assistant Pastor: Music and Worship at First Baptist Church Greensboro. Terri directs choirs of all ages, and has a special passion for children's, youth, and handbell choirs. Terri enjoys leading choral festivals and is Camp Director of FBC Greensboro's "Worship in the Arts" summer camp for grades 1 - 7, now in its fifteenth year. We are also privileged to have Mr. William Kossler as our guest guitar instructor for the camp. Mr Kossler has degrees in Guitar Performance from the University of South Carolina, is a co-author of the Suzuki Guitar Method, and serves on the Guitar Committee of the Suzuki Association of the Americas. He is currently director of the Winston-Salem Suzuki School, and also conducts workshops in Suzuki-based guitar pedagogy around the U.S. and internationally.

We encourage our Ardmore children to register online (<http://tinyurl.com/mc7aywb>) as soon as possible. Next week's *Announcer* will have information about other guest clinicians and class offerings.



Movie Night

Our next movie night for adults is Friday, June 9. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the movie will start at 7:00 p.m. This month's movie will be "Lion." You may view the trailer at <http://tinyurl.com/hw89deq>. The group is looking forward to a "roaring" good time.

- David Fitzgerald

OUR MISSION:

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

Our Pastor Writes ...

Theology of the Cross

We have begun a book study on First Corinthians on Wednesday nights during Prayer, Praise, and Proclamation. I hope you will join us for an in-depth look at this scintillating letter the Apostle Paul wrote to a beloved but troubled congregation. Bible study teachers especially will benefit from a thorough review of this epistle since the principles used in its interpretation will translate into other New Testament epistles as well.

The cross of Jesus Christ is central to Paul's message to the Corinthian church. He writes, "We preach Christ crucified" (1:23) in the opening chapter, laying down his thesis. He continues in the next chapter, "I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified" (2:2). Is Paul really saying he doesn't know anything other than Christ crucified? Does he know nothing about the virgin birth, the miracles Christ performed, the teachings he conveyed in the parables, the resurrection? Why does Paul say he "knows nothing" except Jesus Christ crucified when he continues teaching about sexual morality, the Lord's Supper, and the proper use of spiritual gifts?

The answer lies in his primary message contained in his proclamation. The cross is not everything, but it is at the heart of everything. The entire Christian faith must be interpreted through the cross of Jesus Christ. What does this mean? It means the primary revelation God wants the world to know about himself is grounded in sacrificial love. The death of Jesus on the cross is definitive evidence that God was willing to sacrifice himself out of pure love so the world might be redeemed. The sacrifice on the cross is a bold and unanticipated act of submission by the Son of God. Jesus, the submissive servant, revealed the "power of the cross" through his act of submission to his heavenly Father. Suffering in a most humiliating way was the radical expression of love offered by Jesus to his heavenly Father on our behalf.

All of life should be viewed through this lens of the cross. Our behaviors should be driven by the question, "Is this in keeping with what Jesus did on the cross?" This doesn't mean we have to be crucified on a tree like Jesus did. It does mean, however, that we should be motivated by sacrificial love for others. When selfishness and ego control us, we are no longer following Jesus. When the well-being of our neighbor – regardless of our neighbor's religion, sexual orientation, or ethnicity – is no longer a matter of concern to us, it is evident we have chosen the way of the world instead of the way of the cross. When winning becomes more important than loving, then we have attempted to adorn the cross with gold and diamonds. But the cross is nothing more than rugged wood bearing the body of a sacrificial lamb. The cross is not only central to First Corinthians and 1st century Christianity, it is central to our own life in Jesus Christ in modern day America.

- Don Gordon

Children's Mission Morning

Tuesday, June 13; 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

We will bake healthy cake squares for H.O.P.E. (hopews.org) and deliver them. Then we'll go to Miller Park and do some clean-up work. Children younger than 1st grade need to be accompanied by an adult.

- Lee Ritchie

Seeking Adult Faith Formation MALT Members

Do you have a love for the Bible? Are you interested in seeing people mature in their faith? Does watching a faith community grow in their relationship with Jesus make your heart sing? Then we have a place of service for you! The Adult Faith Formation MALT (Ministry Area Leadership Team) exists to provide the vision and guidance for this ministry. Our overall goal is to nurture mature followers of Jesus. We meet no more than once a month. Interested in hearing more? See me.

- Gina Brock

Maintaining

Give a special thank you to Foy Crouse this week. Foy took a load of old paint and used bulbs to the dump for us.



Ardmore Baptist Church

Tuesday, June 13

3:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Cameron Oakes (one of our 11th grade youth) is hosting a blood drive for a community service project and scholarship opportunity. Please consider donating. Contact Cameron Oakes (336-414-2505; cameron811@yahoo.com).

Children and Families Night

Dairi-O in Clemmons

Thursday, June 15

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Bring the family to Dairi-O for dinner and you'll get to see church friends. It will be a casual time to visit and since they serve ice cream, it's a double win!

- Lee Ritchie

Ardmore ABCs ...

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

John Sanders in the death of his father, **John Sanders, Jr.**;
Becky Bryant in the death of her uncle, **Wayne Parker**;
Jerry Isley in the death of his sister, **Berlie Mabe**;
Wilford Thames in the death of his wife, **Sue Thames**;
Amanda Garber in the death of her uncle, **Jeff Royall**;
Helen Mize in the death of her sister, **Doris Brantley**

Congratulations to:

Bob & Christie Buwalda – 15th wedding anniversary on June 8th ;
Wes & Julie Jones – 15th wedding anniversary on June 10th ;
Tommy & Nancy Elrod – 45th wedding anniversary on June 11th

Next Baptism Date

Our next baptism service will be July 16. As we approach Vacation Bible School, we anticipate the Holy Spirit working in the lives of children, youth, and adults. If you feel God leading you to become a disciple of Christ, we hope you will seek out, and talk with, a minister and take part in this act of baptism symbolizing our faith.

Dane's DownLow

What's In A Group?

In this day and time we are part of so many different types of groups that make up our hectic lives. We have friend groups, the larger school group, athletic groups within school and outside of school, dance groups both within and outside of school, drama groups, and the list could continue with things like Boy Scouts and more. We participate in more and more activities, running around each day from one thing to another. When the day is over everything is a blur. You joined these groups and wanted to participate in an activity because you are good at the activity and/or enjoy being involved in it. But the more you do, the less it seems that depth, connections, and belonging is really felt. Yes, you have friends in all of these different groups and you are part of the group but can there be more? The search continues as you look for the place you can belong, where the pressure isn't insurmountable, where you can be yourself, have fun, and do things that are not only fun but are meaningful. You look for the place where you can share about what is happening in your life and people actually stop to listen and support you. It's hard to find an authentic and real group who accepts you for you and not because of your talents or other agendas. Where is that group? That group you are searching for is our Youth Group! As we begin the summer and end another school year, I hope you have time to slow down the pace of life and join us for fun times where we accept each other as we are. We have a variety of activities this summer that reach towards the fun, others that have food and time of reflection, and more. One chance to come together and enjoy food, Bible study, and conversation will be at our Breakfast and Bibles gatherings on June 13, July 25, and August 8 at 10:00 a.m. This will be a time to eat together, check in to see how everyone is doing, and open up the scripture with devotion. Youth, I look forward to seeing you this summer and hanging out together!

- Dane Martin

Deacon of the Week



June 5 - 11
Ann Canupp
 Phone: (336) 998-2644

Weekend Call

June 10 - 11
Lee Ritchie
 Phone: 706-247-0376



Free Cardiovascular Screening

Ardmore Baptist Church
 Thursday, July 6; 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Take advantage of this free screening conducted by Novant Health. **Appointments are required!** Call (336) 277-1880 to sign up. Appointments are limited and this screening will be open to the public, so call soon. I am told they can screen two people every ten minutes.

Screening includes blood pressure, cholesterol (total, good, bad), triglycerides, blood sugar, hemoglobin A1C (for diabetes), body mass index, and waist circumference.

- Debra Norris



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Memorials and Honoraria

Handicrafters

In Memory of Charles Stevens, Jr. and Steven Carter

Maurice & Mabel Hall

Kitchen Fund

In Honor of Esther, Laura, and crew

Howard & Alcie Byars

Organ Fund

In Memory of Jim Cogdill

Margaret Cogdill

Unified Budget

In Memory of C. C. Brown and Mrs. E. G. Updegrove

Cliff Brown

World Hunger

In Memory of Mary Ellen Candillo

Cliff Brown

Youth Missions – Bahamas

In Honor of the Class of 2017

Gene & Jo West

Pivot News

- ◆ **Gratitude:** At the church's last business meeting, you voted to continue financial support for Pivot Ministry for another year. Words cannot begin to express my deep, overwhelming gratitude for the church's vision, commitment, and support for this ministry. The free office space is pretty special, as well. Thank you!
- ◆ **Announcement:** Pivot Ministry now has two fabulous Volunteer Coordinators, Stephanie Daniel and Gail McAlister. With deep Ardmore Baptist roots, both have strong leadership and organizational skills, equipping them to make a significant difference.
- ◆ **Update:** Thirty volunteers attended initial orientation for the ministry, and there were individual follow-up meetings to explore appropriate roles and interests. Volunteer teams and projects will prepare us to launch the ministry with participants. There will be additional orientation sessions for others interested in being involved. Stay tuned!

- Carol Polk



Congratulations College Graduates

Charles Dyson – Guilford Technical Community College with honors in Computer Programming. Proud parent is **Sharon Harrington**;

Benjamin Helm – College of William and Mary with a BA in government and a minor in Philosophy. Proud parents are **Todd and Karen Helm**;

Jake Hutcherson – McIntire School of Commerce, University of Virginia with a BS in Finance. Proud parents are **Jim and Elizabeth Hutcherson**;

Abby McAlister – Harvard University with a M. Ed. In Education Policy and Management. Proud parents are **Larry and Gail McAlister**;

Graham McAlister – University of San Francisco with a MS in Analytics. Proud parents are **Larry and Gail McAlister**;

Mary Margaret Todd Waterer – University of South Carolina with a BS in Business Administration. Proud parents are **Margaret and David Todd**

If you or one of your children are graduating from college this year, please e-mail Janet (jhellard@ardmorebaptist.org) with name, degree, and school.

For the Record June 4, 2017

Sunday Bible Study	384
Morning Worship	
8:15 a.m.	72
10:45 a.m.	476

Stewardship

Weekly Budget Needs	\$	35,220
Budget Receipts 06/04/17	\$	49,932
Needs-To-Date	\$	810,061
Receipts-To-Date	\$	808,618
Over/(Under)-To-Date	\$	(1,444)