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The Banner

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11:00am Limited In Person & Live Stream

The Challenge Before Us

Haggai 1:1-15

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From Our Pastor. . .



Fall is in the Air – I love each season with which God blesses us, but I admit that my favorite season is the fall. A hike through our majestic mountains when they are robed in the glory of fall and backed by a bright blue sky is hard to beat. Simply sitting on the porch with a cup of coffee in the cool crisp air of a fall morning while enjoying a beautiful God-painted landscape is amazing.

With the changes of the fall season, we reflect on the changes—many of them not so beautiful—that have come upon us in 2020. Things are different and many things

may never be as they were before. However, that does not mean that things will not be good or even better in the future. They will just be different. In this fall season of change, I want us to reflect together on changes that are taking place in our church services and ministries.

The little book of Haggai presents a time of change for God's people. The great Temple of Solomon remained in ruins seventy years after the Babylonians had destroyed it. God's people had been freed by Cyrus, the Persian. They had returned to Jerusalem and rebuilt their homes. However, the temple remained in ruins. God challenged His people through the messages of Haggai to not only rebuild the temple but to trust Him to make the glory of the rebuilt temple even greater than the glory of the previous one.

I believe that God has a message of hope and promise for His church today as we face a season of rebuilding our ministries and services into the future that He opens before us. This season of change can also be a season of renewal and revitalization as we follow God's leading together. I pray that you will gather, either in person or by livestreaming, for worship on Sundays in November as we consider the message of God to us through Haggai concerning "Rebuilding to the Glory of God."



BGAV Virtual Annual Meeting – This year's Baptist General Association of Virginia annual meeting is completely virtual and free for anyone who would like to participate. You can register now to gain access to the special worship celebration service on Monday night, November 9 and also to a variety of excellent online breakout sessions that will be offered throughout the day on Tuesday, November 10. To register and see the details, please go to: https://meeting.bgav.org/.

The keynote speaker for Monday night will be N. T. Wright, one of the foremost New Testament scholars with an unparalleled ability to interpret and apply scripture in a way that reaches through the local church to engage society as a whole. Worship music will include a preview from singer/storyteller Kate Campbell, who will be singing a song written especially for our gathering.

Another feature of the BGAV Virtual Annual Meeting this year is a BGAV Mission Walk/ Run 5K. This event can be completed any time before Sunday, November 8. Registration is \$25 per person, and all proceeds will go toward this year's mission offering - to assist BGAV and ministry partners in purchasing building materials to repair and rebuild homes. I plan to participate in this event by doing a walk on a local trail. If you would like to join me, with appropriate social distancing of course, give me a call or send me a text. If you can't go, you can always donate something to this special offering to assist in repairing and rebuilding homes.



Deacon of the Month - November Jimmy McKemy 423-433-9265

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Attendance for Sunday, October 25 Zoom Study Groups - 51

§ Worship Technicians:

Bill Klose Tony Roberts Ray Minor Angella Skeens

Financial Update October 25, 2020 **Budget Funds**

Weekly Budget Needs \$8,615.00 Received 10/25/2020 \$7,131.00

YTD Budget Needs \$370,445.00 YTD Receipts \$322,476.77

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Building Fund

To-date \$100,860.99



FRIDAY October 30

6:00pm KidZ Cruz-in Treat Pick up Church Parking Lot

SUNDAY November 1

> Want to join a ZOOM class? Check out the website or find a group in REALM or call the church office

10:45am Limited in-person or Livestream Worship

Facebook, YouTube, Vimeo

ZOOM Bible Study

WEDNESDAY

November 4 6:00pm Online Bible Study

Facebook KidZ Zoom Overview of Music@Home

w/Vicki Burkett & Parke Deans & KidZ time with Carrie Via Zoom

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Sanctuary

SATURDAY November 7 9:00am Prayer in the Park Veterans Park





Hospital:

Recuperating:

Treatments Continuing/Pending:

Nick Abel, Ken Callahan, Lendy Dunaway, Tristan Duncan, Judy Ferrell, Carol Fuller, Denise Gobble, Charles Grogan, Bill Heddrick, Ron Hicks, Jane Hilt, Harold Jackson, Ken Johnson, Deborah McKemey, Scyrethia Mullins, Hannah Moore, Glenda Pollard, Rita Reynolds, Margaret Roe, Marsha Terry.

Long Term:

Curtis Burkett, Gene Compton, Wayne McCall, George Owens, Will Roberts.

Independent Living/Retirement/Assisted Care & Rehab Facilities:

Anna Bell Callahan, Sue Goodman, Lucille Heath, Marie James, Christine Kohr, Janet Lambert, Luke Martin, Genevive McCall, Bonnie McCracken, Jean Moore, Virginia Moore, Joanna Owens, Mary Pace, Anne Smith, Howard Smith, Sally Stevens.

Homebound:

Eva Cunningham, Eddie Dunn, Bea Jones, Jim Jones, B.R. Munsey, Sue Munsey, Dale Orfield, Jake Turner, Shirley Turner, Jimmy Repass, Doris Southerlin.

Homebound of the Week Jimmy Repass

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Continued from Pastor Bill...

Prayer in the Park – I truly believe that only God can heal our land and that prayer moves the hand of God. Remember that our scheduled times for prayer together in Veteran's Park have changed with the season.

Here is the prayer schedule for the remainder of 2020:

Saturday, November 7 9-10am

Saturday, November 21 9-10am

Saturday, December 5 9-10am

Saturday, December 19 9-10am



Please join with me and other believers in these special times of concentrated prayer for God's healing of us, our churches, our community, and our land. If you can't make it to the park, please pray along with us wherever you are. God hears and answers the prayers of His people.



Again this year, our church will be a collection point for our area

Shoebox Collection Week November 16-23



Fellowship Hall M-Th 1:00pm-4:00pm Fri. 1:00pm-5:00pm Sat. 12:00pm-4:00pm Sun 1:00pm-5:00pm Mon 23rd 9:00am-11:00am



Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes will be available in Sanctuary and at the church office. Please stop by the church office if you need boxes. Packing instructions are included inside of each box along with envelope for the postage. Your postage envelope is to be placed inside of your box. Postage is \$9. The envelope will be taken out during inspection at the transfer warehouse in Boone.

Checks are to be payable to Samaritan's Purse.

Ministers **Entire Congregation** Pastor bbryan@abingdonbaptist.org ext. 32 Rev. Dr. Bill Bryan Minister of Music and Worship pdeans@abingdonbaptist.org ext. 24 Rev. Parke Deans Church Organist Mrs. Carol Clifton Church Pianist Mrs. Rose Payne Secretary tvickers@abingdonbaptist.org Mrs. Trina Vickers ext. 21 Children's Ministry Assistant Miss Carrie Trivett Youth Ministry Assistant Mr. Jimmy McKemy

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Church office hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 5:00pm, Friday 9:00-12:00pm

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