



THE BANNER

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Five Year Service Anniversary

August 29 will mark the completion of five years of service for Shawn Howell at Abingdon Baptist Church.

Shawn came to us in April 2021 as interim Minister of Music after the retirement of Parke Deans. Shawn quickly found his place in ministry with us and was elected by the church to the role of part-time Minister of Music and Worship in August 2021.

As Minister of Music & Worship, Shawn has revitalized our choir Sanctuary Choir program, added a Praise Team and

Bluegrass Team, and brought back our Handbell Choir. He has also led us in Cantatas at Christmas, Tenebrae and Good Friday services at Easter, and other musical services and events.

Two years ago, the church affirmed Shawn's move to full-time ministry with us as we added Minister of Young Adults to his portfolio. As Minister of Young Adults, Shawn began Common Ground, our young adult ministry which is growing in both numbers and service.

This past March, Shawn organized and led our overseas mission trip to the Dominican Republic. In his spare time Shawn is a Master of Divinity student at B.H. Carroll Theological Seminary at ETBU and has been an accompanist for school events and community groups.

We are blessed to have such a talented servant-leader ministering with us at Abingdon Baptist Church. Shawn is supported in life and ministry by his wife, Liz, and Adley, their daughter. We will honor Shawn this Sunday during worship as we mark his five year service anniversary. Please be here to give him your personal thanks and encouragement.

SUNDAY

AUGUST 30
11:00am
In Person & Live Stream

“In the Day of Trouble”
Psalms 77

Listen to [sermon recordings](http://www.abingdonbaptist.org/sermon-recordings) at
www.abingdonbaptist.org

WORSHIP



Discovering Abingdon Baptist Church

On Sunday, September 20 at noon following our morning worship service there will be a luncheon in Fellowship Hall for new members, those attending Sunday School or Worship, or those simply wanting to know more about the ministries of our church. You will be blessed by meeting new friends, enjoying a great meal, hearing from our Ministry Team, taking a tour of our facility, and having an opportunity to ask questions. If you would like to join us for this event, **please RSVP to Trina** at the church office on (276) 628-8126 or by email at tvickers@abingdonbaptist.org no later than Wednesday, September 16.

Deacon Election

Deacon Election 2026 – It is once again time for our church to elect deacons. The deacon nomination and election process is underway.

Nomination Procedure – Nominations will be received from now until Sunday, September 13 at noon. You may nominate someone by completing a Deacon Nomination Form, which is available in the church office and at the sanctuary entryways. **Your completed Nomination Form should be returned to Pastor Bill in person or dropped-off at the church office no later than noon on Sunday, September 13.** The pastor will add each qualified nominee to the slate of candidates. Please note that the following deacons rotate off this year, and they are not eligible for re-election until next year: Roger Garrett, George Hodnett, Mike Overstreet, Matt Perry, and Stewart Spradlin. We thank them for their service over the past three years.

Election Procedure – The slate of deacon nominees will be published in *The Banner* the week of September 14. **We will hold an election at a called church business meeting on Sunday, September 27** immediately following our morning worship service. Deacons, including the newly elected ones, will meet after the business meeting to elect officers for the coming year. Results of the deacon election will be announced in *The Banner* the following week. Those elected will begin serving on October 1, 2026.

F.Y.I...

Deacon of the Month – August

Andy Stiltner (606)-791-5133

SUNDAY SCHOOL & WORSHIP

Attendance for Sunday, August 23

Sunday School & Bible Study - 92

Worship Service - 121

Wednesday - 28

Dinner Church - 18

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Worship Technicians:

Tim Barnett

Jerry Culberson

Laura Harris

Paxton Matney

Ray Minor

Amanda Perry

Tony Roberts

Cathy Shelton

Mel Shelton

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Extended Session Workers

August 30, 2026

Holly Stiltner & Annie Parsons

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Car Ministry

August 30, 2026

Kevin Abel 276-698-4710

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Financial Update

August 23, 2026

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Budget Funds

Weekly Budget Needs \$10,992.00

Received 8/23/26 \$7,564.00

YTD Total Receipts \$340,216.15

YTD Total Expenses \$357,524.00



SUNDAY

9:45am

August 30

Sunday School

In-Person/Zoom

11:00am Worship In-person or Livestream
Sanctuary, Facebook, YouTube, Vimeo

TUESDAY

2:00pm

September 1

Friends of Audrey & Jill Circle
Home of Lois Campbell

WEDNESDAY

5:00pm Fellowship Meal

September 2

Fellowship Hall

Hamburger Steak, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Rolls, Dessert

5:30pm Youth *Youth Room*

6:00pm Adult Bible Study *Chapel*

Team Kid *Ext. Session Rm*

Young Adult Circle *Common Ground*

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *ChoirRm*

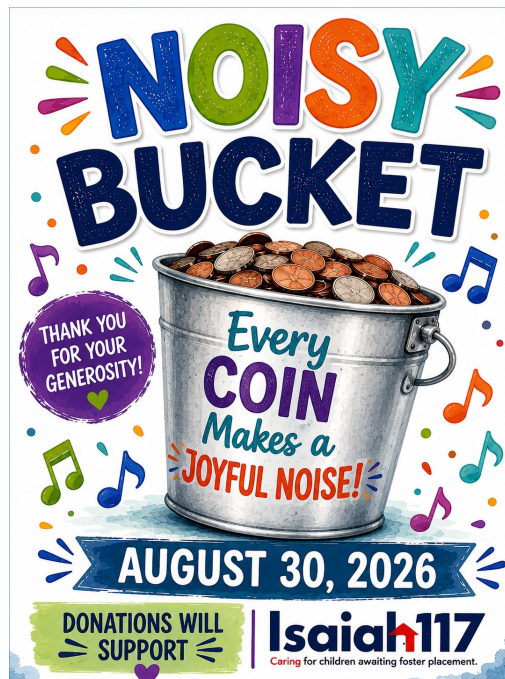
THURSDAY

6:00pm

September 3

Dinner Church

Abingdon Terrace Apts.



To call in by telephone to listen to our Sunday morning

Worship each week:

Call: (929) 205 6099#

ID: 851 6607 5347#

Participate ID #

Passcode: 957729#

Prayer Concerns

Hospital:

Treatments Continuing/Pending:

Terry Christian, Kelly Davis, Cindy Farmer, Denise Gobble, Joel Piazza, Angie Smith.

Long Term:

Barbara Back, Geraldine Belcher, Ainsley Berry, Curtis Burkett, Kylee Coleman, Barbara Compton, Geraldine Culberson, Barbara Dunn, Allen Garrett, Lee Garrett, Barbara Gillespie, Debbie Crigger, Karen Hand, Kenna Henderson, Bruce Hicks, Ron Hicks, Sarah Johnson, Paulina Joyce, Kevin Leonard, Conner Mays, Wayne McCall, Karen McMurray, Julia Newkirk, George Owens, Ronnie Perkins, Charlie Pickle, Joyce Powers, Paul Rich, Park Shropshire, Jimmy Singleton, Archer Skeens, Angie Smith, Rachel Stout, Candy Tignor, Michael Woodyard, Stephanie Wyvill.

Independent Living/Retirement/Assisted Care & Rehab Facilities:

Linda Belisle, Becky Corvin, Mary Davis, Orville Davis, Jan Derting, Mase Dunaway, Renna Gunter, Pearl Hayter, Trula Harris, Jim Hughes, Virginia Moore, Joanna Owens, Howard Smith.

Homebound:

Nadine Culberson, Nadine Farmer, Grace Kiser, Nora Milsap, Joyce Vanover.

Sympathy:

Love & Christian Sympathy go out to Jessica Berry & family in the passing of her father, George Schaffer.



This week we want to lift up
Sergeant M. Fields
Abingdon Police Department
Kevin Wilson
Truman Worthington
Washington County Sherriff's Dept



Friday, September 4

- Ed Eller

Sunday, September 6

- Janette Orfield
- Charlene Phelps



**OPERATION
CHRISTMAS
CHILD**

SHARING GOD'S LOVE, ONE BOX AT A TIME!

Item for
**AUGUST
IS
SOCKS!**



 Thank you for helping us
share God's love around the world! 

We start streaming at 10:45am

Tune in to check your connection
and to prepare for Worship.
Service will begin at 11:00am



Full in-person or Livestream Worship.
Doors open at 10:45am

HOPE RISING

...THE HOPE TO WHICH GOD HAS CALLED YOU

EPHESIANS 1:18

ALMA HUNT OFFERING

for Virginia Missions

SEPTEMBER 13-20, 2026 | ALMAHUNT.ORG

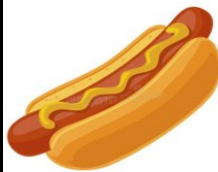
OUR CHURCH GIVING GOAL:



\$5,000



SENIOR ADULT FALL PICNIC



WE'RE GRILLING
HAMBURGERS
AND HOTDOGS,
BUT WE NEED
YOU AND YOUR
DELICIOUS SIDE
DISHES!!



***EVERYTHING ELSE WILL BE PROVIDED!!!

WHEN: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 AT NOON

WHERE: SUGAR HOLLOW PARK
SHELTER A



Bring your camp chairs
and a musical instrument
if you play one so we can
sing the old hymns.

***Hymnals will be provided!!



Ministers			Entire Congregation
Pastor	bbryan@abingdonbaptist.org	ext. 32	Rev. Dr. Bill Bryan
Minister of Music/Worship & Young/Median Adults	showell@abingdonbaptist.org		Mr. Shawn Howell
Minister To Students	lwolfe@abingdonbaptist.org		Rev. Lisa Wolfe
Administrative Assistant	tvickers@abingdonbaptist.org	ext. 21	Mrs. Trina Vickers
Children's Ministry Assistant	hstiltner@abingdonbaptist.org		Mrs. Holly Stiltner
Church Organist			Mrs. Carol Clifton
Church Pianist			Mrs. Rose Payne

A church with a world mission and a world program in association with the Lebanon Baptist Association, Baptist General Association of Virginia, Southern Baptist Convention, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, and Baptist World Alliance.

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

Phone: 276/628-8126

PRAYER LINE: extension 42, FAX: 276/628-5743

Website: **www.abingonbaptist.org**