

WORSHIP CONNECTION

March 31 Morning (8:15 & 10:45)

> Our Youth will be leading us

Beauty In Brokeness



Ecclesiastes 3:11

Our Mission:

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

YOUTH WEEK is here!



Everyone in the youth ministry is excited about youth week. We aren't excited about the once a year focus or that the youth get to lead in worship and lead adult Sunday Bible Study. Those are all great. But the reason why we are so excited is because you, the church, get to talk to and experience these amazingly gifted students. Each one of these students are uniquely talented and continue to change our lives with their words, actions, and our experiences together. Youth Week is great but the greatest is when the whole church can see what we in the youth ministry see each and every week. Our hope and prayer is that one day we can experience the youth week connection with the larger church every week! Our prayer is for empathy to flow through our hearts, that understanding would seep into our consciousness, and that we would desire to better know Christ and in doing so have a longing for intergenerational relationships within and outside of this church. We invite you to speak with a student this week, engage with them, and I promise they will talk right back. I hope your life is changed by Youth Week because our lives are changed constantly by these students.

Homeland Missions Month

North American Mission Board and Global Missions workers are involved in church planting, college ministry work, meeting individual needs, and more. Through refugee ministries, God has given the church in the United States an unprecedented opportunity to restore hope and bear good news to the nations on our doorstep. When you give to Ardmore's Homeland Missions Offering (Annie Armstrong or Global Missions), you make it possible for these workers to preach and live the word of Christ in the margins of our country. Prayerfully consider how you can give to these offerings and be a part of this opportunity.

Our Pastor Writes...

It is interesting that I heard more feedback from last Sunday's sermon on "change" than any message I have shared in my time at Ardmore. Several of you lamented how much you dislike change. Some even expressed a longing to "go back" to how things used to be. Yet everyone owned the inevitability of change. The truth is that a lot of change is good. I did not hear anyone long for going back to the days of out-house toilets or cars that had to be cranked to start or the days before antibiotics. Others seemed to embrace change. They even expressed impatience with slow pace of change.

What I tried to say on Sunday and what we read from the Bible was that it is not an "either/or" approach to change, but rather a "both/and" approach. The scriptures teach us to "remember the rock from which we are hewn", that is, to remember who we are and whose we are. It also teaches us to affirm that God is always and forever "doing a new thing."

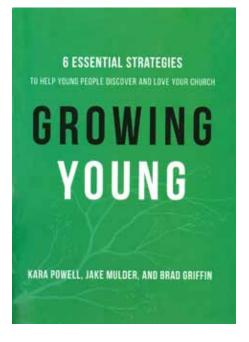
For the church, we have to be intentional when it comes to facing change. Most of us are comfortable with things as they are. It is why we may have joined here in the first place. But what if the church is to be about reaching those who are not in the fold? What if church needs to be more outwardly focused than inwardly focused? What if church is not all about us and what we want, but rather is about God and what God wants?

It is something to ponder, isn't it?

- Mike Queen, Interim Pastor



Youth ministry team at the downtown bus terminal



You have now heard of Growing Young and the team that will be working on this initiative for the next year. Maybe it's the first time you have heard of this initiative or maybe you have heard of it before. Wherever you are, we would like to invite you into the conversation through getting a copy of the book. You might not be sure what this is all about, you may be cautious, you may be optimistic, or you might not know what to think...all approaches are alright. We would like for those who are interested to let the church office know that you would like a copy of the book. We can get a great deal by purchasing in bulk and will ask that everyone pay a small fee of \$10 to help defray the cost. We look forward to hearing back from you as you read through the book, form questions you might have, spark ideas from something you read, and more.

Ardmore ABCs...

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

Helen Norris in the death of her husband, Bill Norris; daughters, Debra Norris & Laurie McBride; grandchildren, Lola & Reece McBride; Beverly Whitfield in the death of her brother, Eddie Blackley, Jr.

Congratulations to:

Jim & Laminda Willard – 55th wedding anniversary on March 28th; Mike & Lisa Nuckolls – 10th wedding anniversary on March 28th

Churchwide Picnic

You may recall that Hurricane Florence caused us to cancel our annual picnic in September. As an alternative, we have rescheduled the picnic for Sunday, April 7 at Tanglewood Park – Shelter #4 beginning at 5:00 p.m. Bring a friend, lawn chairs, and food to share (drinks and paper products will be provided). Just a friendly reminder to bring \$2 per car for entry to the park.

It will be a perfect time to share in friendship, enjoy great food, and have fun in a relaxed atmosphere. We hope to see you there!

CBFNC Annual Gathering

Called Together

25th Anniversary

Thursday, March 28 &

Friday, March 29

First Baptist Church

Greensboro, NC

https://www.cbfncag.com/

Movie Night For Adults

"The Left Hand of God."
Friday April 5 • Youth Place

Here's a clip from the movie: https://www.videodetective.com/movies/the-left-hand-of-god/626974

The doors opened at 6:30 p.m. and the movie will start at 7:00.

Come join us. Bring a friend and some snacks to share!

32nd Annual Used Book Sale

Thursday, May 2 and Friday May 3 • 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Saturday, May 4 • 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. (1/2 Price on all items)

The Shepherd's Center's annual used book sale proceeds enables life-enhancing programs and services for over 5,500 older adults throughout the Winston-Salem community.

Education Building at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds. Entrance for parking is through Gate 5 from Deacon Blvd. Parking and Admission are FREE!

Deacon of the Week



March 25 - 31 **Tod Bryant** Phone: 336-970-9461

Weekend Call

March 29 - 31 **Gina Brock** Phone: 336-970-9117

Ardmore Journeys

This trip is open to all ages. Make checks payable to Ardmore Baptist Church and give/mail to Beverly Whitfield.

- Grandfather Mountain - Thursday, May 16; bring lunch or purchase from Mildred's Grill. Cost: \$50 due by April 16.

2nd Chair Exercise Class

The LaVon Thomas Chair Exercise Class has expanded to two days a week. Class now meets each Monday and Wednesday at 11:15 a.m. in room F226. Senior adults are invited to attend either or both. No need to register, just come join us!





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The Joy Class



VBS 2019 Registration

Who Is My Neighbor?

June 24 - 28; 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. For children preschool to 6th grade Register at:

https://tinyurl.com/yc32adwp

For the Record

March 24, 2019

Sunday Bible Study: NA Morning Worship: 8:15AM 103 10:45AM 424

Stewardship

 Weekly Budget Needs
 \$ 37,492

 Budget Receipts 03/24/19
 \$ 17,903

 Needs-To-Date
 \$ 449,901

 Receipts-To-Date
 \$ 416,125

 Over/(Under)-To-Date
 \$ (33,776)



Support Our Team

Adult League Softball
April 1; 7:30 p.m.
ABC Men vs. First Presbyterian
Washington Park; Field 4



See our camp brochure for complete information (https://tinyurl.com/MAcamp2019).