



Our Minister to Youth, Eric Ross, to receive Certificate of License to Gospel Ministry

Eric will be one of our graduates recognized on Graduate Sunday because he will have finished his Masters of Divinity from Liberty Seminary. The church has examined him during the past 6 months of his service here and the Deacons have agreed unanimously that he be granted a "License to Gospel Ministry."

This is not the same as ordination, but it is a big step toward that direction. It is a statement affirming his calling thus far to the point that we publicly state that Eric has been called to Gospel Ministry. He will be recognized at the end of both services on April 15.

Upcoming Special Music

April 8

Sounds of Joy will ring at both services

April 29

Grace Christian Elementary School Choir will sing at the 9am service

May 13

The Jazzy Juniors and Wee Worshipers will sing for Mother's Day at the 11am service



Youth Lock-In

April 13-14 | 9pm-8am
For 6th-12th graders

Meet at the church at 9pm (Doors open at 8:30pm) First we'll play some gym style games, then head to Staunton Lanes for some disco bowling! After that, back to the church for a devo, night games around the church including Alien and Sardines (and some others) followed by movies, video games, and maybe some sleeping.

At 7am, breakfast will be served, then cleanup, then pick up at 8am. If you have any questions contact Eric Ross.

Friday Fun Night

April 27 | 6-8pm
For 3rd-6th graders

Meet by the gym for a night of games, fellowship, and devotion. Bring a snack to share.

End of School Year Bash

Date/Time in May TBD

Watch for emails and the Youth Booth for more information!



Upcoming Dates:

VBS: June 11-15

Youth are always welcome to volunteer with Vacation Bible School. See Eric for more info.

IMPACT VA: July 15-21

We're heading back to Danville, Virginia. Sign up now, only 5 spots left on our team!

MBC YOUTH

The Messenger

April/May 2018



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BAPTIST CHURCH

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Sunday Worship:

9:00 & 11:00am
Sunday School 9:45am

Wednesday Nights:

Supper 5:30pm
Programs 6:30-7:30pm

Sonshine/Sonrise Class Yard & Bake Sale

SATURDAY, APRIL 21st

YARD SALE begins at 8:00 a.m. Saturday April 21st. Donated items may be dropped off in Family Center at the following times:

Wed., April 18th (6:30-7:30pm)

Thurs., April 19th (8am-6pm)

Fri., April 20th (8am-5pm)

We will take any household items with the exception of clothing and heavy TV's.

We are available to pick-up your items Thursday, April 19th and Friday April 20th (until 4:00). To schedule a pick-up, please call

Kenny Page at 540-245-0116 or David Garrison 540-830-0048.

BAKE SALE begins at 7:30 a.m. Saturday April 21st. If you wish to donate food items to our Bake Sale, please contact Sharon Phillips at 540-280-0055.

Baked goods need to be brought to the church on Friday 4/20/18 before noon

(NOTE: all donated baked goods will be packaged and priced by the Sonshine class.)



Sign up for these Youth activities and more at the Youth Booth!

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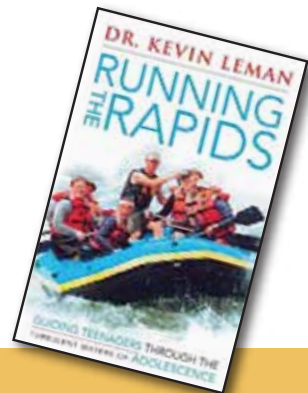
Wednesday Night LIFE

Clower to God. Clower together.

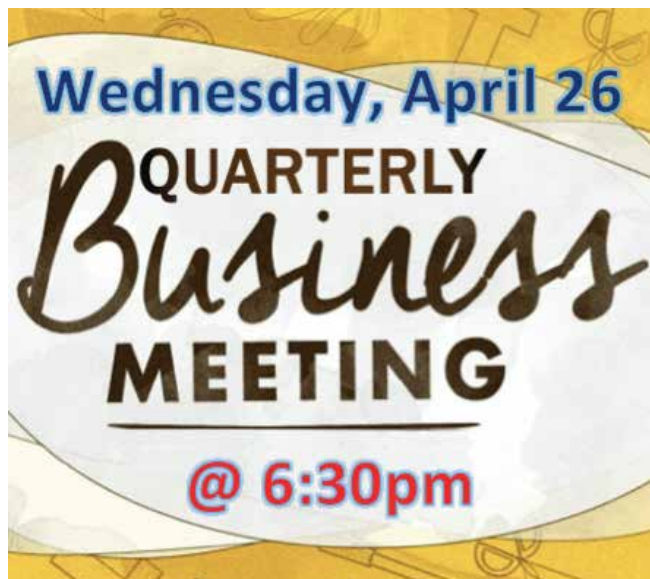
Our Wednesday night programming continues through April and May as usual with meals beginning at 5:30 and Children and Youth programming beginning at 6:15. Meals and children's programming will continue until May 9. However, the youth will be having some meetings past then and into the Summer. It will be dependent on the calendar; so parents look to Eric's emails.

Adult programming will be continuing throughout the Summer. Beginning in April our Interim Associate Pastor, Dr. Bill Smith, will begin his class on Philippians: "A Joyful Spirituality". This class will meet at 6:30 in the Social Hall and will run through much of the Summer.

Beginning April 4, Pastor Mark Jones and his wife Diane will be teaching a class on parenting teenagers: "Running the Rapids: Guiding Teens Through the Turbulent Waters of Adolescence". The class is video and discussion driven and will run through April and May. The class starts at 6:30 with the location TBA (will be on the Adult Sunday School hallway). Invite someone outside of our church!



Be sure to check the menu and sign up for your meal/pizza!



Church Family Night

Church-wide Events For The Church Family!



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Introducing New Books in the MBC Library...

Featured Books

It's a True Story That You Won't Want to Put Down by Henry Howard Smith (Rev. Smith's father)

Stained Glass Hearts by Patsy Clairmont (Given by the Joy class in memory of Luleen White)

Backroads Plain Folk by Lynn Coffey

Backroads 2 The Road to Chicken Holler by Lynn Coffey

Backroads 3 Faces of Appalachia by Lynn Coffey

Adult Non-Fiction

Hope for the Troubled Heart by Billy Graham

Leading with Billy Graham by Jay Dennis

Adult Fiction

An Extra Mile by Sharon Garlough Brown (Sensible Shoes Series)

The Friends of Jesus by Karen Kingsbury
Dark in the City of Light by Paul Robertson

Children

My Own Psalm 91 Book by Peggy Joyce Ruth

Audio Books (New Category)

Adult Non-Fiction

The Purity Principle by Randy Alcorn

Not a Fan by Kyle Idleman

Praying for Your Prodigal by Kyle Idleman



Mother's Day is always a special day at Memorial Baptist Church! We worship God and honor the gifts of our mothers on that day. Be prepared for an especially moving service. Also we have a dedication service for babies and children on that day as well. For Baptists we believe that a person comes to Christ when the Holy Spirit draws them and he or she agrees to accept Christ as Lord and Savior. The dedication service is about the parents agreeing to raise their child in a Christian home and the church agreeing to be supportive of that. It is a very moving time for everyone. Please let us know if you have a child that you would like to have dedicated on the day @ 540-885-8033.



Sunday, May 20 we will be recognizing and honoring our graduates in the worship services. Times and details will be forthcoming. If you have a graduate this May or during the past year in high school, college, or graduate school we would love for them to be a part of this service. Please let our Minister to Youth, Eric Ross, know that your graduate is participating.

The ComfortCare Women's Health Stride for Life Walk and 5K is coming up on Saturday, May 5th. See Jenn Wade or Rebekah Huffstetler for details, or go to SupportCC.org/Stride to register or for more info.



Annie Armstrong Offering for North American Mission is being collected through March and April this year. Our church goal is \$5,000.00 One hundred percent of these funds is used in support of our missionaries.

Upcoming Events:

April - Senior Adult Ministries will be sponsoring an in-gathering of paper supplies needed by Love Inc.

April 16 - Morning Mission Group going to Brookdale memory care unit

May 3 - National Day of Prayer luncheon at FBC, Waynesboro. Speaker: Dr. Bill Wilson, Director of Center for Healthy Churches

June 3-8 - Southwest Virginia Partnership mission to Nickelsville, VA. Register by April 16th. Contact Rev. David Anderson, ABAV Director of Missions at (434) 770-4653 or diraugmissions@gmail.com.

Watch the Sunday bulletin, and check out the MISSIONS/ABAV/WMU bulletin board in the Sunday School hall for additional information on these events.



APRIL 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Easter Sunday Sunrise Service Breakfast Worship 9&11	2	3 10am WMU Bible Study	4 5:30pm Wed. Night Supper & Programs	5	6 6:00pm - ABA Senior Dinner	7
8	9	10	11 5:30pm Wed. Night Supper & Programs	12	13 YOUTH LOCK-IN	14
15	16 10:30am Morning Mission Group 6:30pm Finance	17 10am WMU Bible Study	18 5:30pm Wed. Night Supper & Programs	19 GYM CLOSED - SONSHINE/SONRISE CLASS YARD SALE	20	21 7:30am Bake Sale 8:00am Yard Sale
22	23	24 9am Ladies Breakfast	25 5:30pm Wed. Night Supper & Programs (Business Meeting)	26	27 Journell/Collins Wedding Rehearsal	28 Journell/Collins Wedding RESPITE NIGHT
29	30 6:00pm Pack Food on Friday					

April Birthdays

2 Ashley Heckel	11 Kennedy Eakin	20 Charlie Obaugh
2 Katelyn Robinson	12 Noah Capriotti	21 Shelton Wine
2 Kayleigh Sprouse	13 Phillip Carlton	22 Lindsey Cash
3 Diana Slagell	13 Jim Chambers	25 Danny Flavin
7 R.P. Kirtland	13 Bill Gardner	26 Anita Helpa
7 Avery Morrison	14 Brenda Lickliter	27 Zach Staton
7 June Tinsley	15 Rachel Carlton	28 Brooke Harris
8 Glenn Thompson	15 Addy Fix-Chambers	28 Carrie Turner
8 Lynn White	16 Berkley Adams	29 Mike Henry
8 Leigh Worley	17 Elizabeth Andrews	29 William Koiner
10 Kendall Bennett	17 John Smithkin	30 Roland Carlton
10 Judy Brown	18 Karen Anthony	30 John Wilson
10 Tiffany Davis	18 Nat Crouch	
10 Jack Watson	18 Rhonda Wilmore	
10 Rebecca Watson	19 Jean Wilkinson	

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		1	2 5:30pm Wed. Night Supper & Programs	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 5:30pm Wed. Night Supper & Programs	10	11	12
13 Mother's Day <i>Baby Dedication</i>	14	15 6:00pm Pack Food on Friday	16 Summer Schedule	17	18	19
20 <i>Graduate Sunday</i> Lafon Piano Recital	21 10:30am Morning Mission Group 6:30pm Finance	22	23 Summer Schedule	24	25	26 RESPITE NIGHT
27	28 Memorial Day <i>(office closed)</i>	29	30 Summer Schedule	31		

May Birthdays

2 Peggy Moore	11 Megan Eakin	23 Cindy Staton
3 Rob Atkins	11 Clint Wimer	24 Robert Williams
3 Lillian Jaquier	13 Ellen Carlton	25 Luberta Doyle
3 Michelle Wilson	13 Marshall Kiser	25 Theresa Harvey
4 Jody Fultz	13 Sara Lawhorne	26 Robin Kehoe
4 Pat Gardner	13 Logan Miller	26 Phyllis Michau
4 Chance Staton	13 Brianna Purdue	27 Martha Black
5 Sandy Purdue	14 Calla Tinsley	27 George Goodloe
6 Patsy Sweeney	17 Gary McQuain	27 Alyssa Hernandez
7 Beth Gough	18 Ryan Converse	28 Kathy Lafon
8 Kelly Cook	20 Candy Cline	29 Debbie Reid
8 R.M. Stone	20 Donna Harner	29 Alexis Rodgers
8 Debbie Walker	20 Lucy Harris	29 Toby Wigfield
9 Nell Crist	20 Jerry Smith	30 Reid Black
10 Michelle Fitzgerald	21 Gray Cline	30 Ralph Bowles