

Vinton Baptist Church
Morning Worship
August 9, 2026

This Week's Events
Sunday, August 9th:
9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Morning Worship
Monday, August 10th:
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Food Pantry Open
9:30 AM Fun & the Son (room 127)
6:30 PM Budget Meeting (SDR)
Tuesday, August 11th:
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Staff Planning
10:00 AM JOY Council Meeting (PCR)
Wednesday, August 12th:
3:00 - 6:00 PM Mobile Blood Drive
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, August 13th:
9:30 AM Fun & the Son (room 127)
Saturday, August 15th:
8:00 AM - 8:00 PM JOY Senior Mystery Trip

A Note to Parents of Small Children:
We are glad to have children worship with us as they grow in Christ! You may hear the "sounds of a growing church" from our pews. A couple tips:

1. Relax! God put the wiggle in children - don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.
2. Encourage your child to sing and pray with the congregation. Children learn good behavior in church by copying yours.
3. Nursery is available for newborns - 2-year-olds in room 127. A Mother's Lounge is also available in room 124. PreK children are welcome in Next Step (room 130). Kindergarten - 1st graders are invited to Children's Worship when kids are dismissed after the Children's Time. 2nd - 5th grade students can fill out a worship worksheet and see Ms. Jodi for a prize!

Our services are being filmed & broadcast live on the internet. Recordings can be found at vintonbaptistchurch.org.

*If you are visiting with us today, welcome! Please complete a green Connect Card, which is located in your sanctuary pew pocket; you may drop it in the offering plate or in a wooden prayer box before you leave today. Or you may complete the Connect Card online at vintonbaptistchurch.org.

*Prelude	Wanda Melchers
Welcome & Opportunities at VBC	Whitney Russell
Call to Worship	Chancel Choir
	"Forever"
Invocation	Chris Monroe
Hymn No. 13	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
Passing the Peace of Christ	
Blessing of the Backpacks	Jodi Estienne
Leader: Now, your ministers, your families, and your congregation will speak words of blessing. Listen closely to these voices of love and support as this new school year begins.	
Church Ministers: God invites you to a fresh start. Every day brings a chance to renew your mind and grow in new ways. As you learn, create, and explore this year, may God help you make choices that are kind, wise, and full of courage.	
Family Members: God is with you - in the easy moments and the hard ones. As you meet new teachers, make friends, solve problems, and discover new things, may your thoughts and actions reflect God's love.	
Congregation: God loves every person in your school and loves you too. Sometimes renewing our minds means thinking in new ways, trying again, or doing something brave. We are excited to journey with you and pray for you as you grow into the person God is shaping you to be.	
Leader: You are an important part of God's blessing of your family, your school, and our congregation.	
Congregation: We promise to pray for you now and during the school year. Let us know how we can pray for the things happening in your life and in your school.	
Leader: We thank you, God, for the chance to bless the students, trusting that you will guide, renew, and transform them each day.	
ALL: Amen.	
Prayer of Blessing	Whitney Russell
K - 1st graders are invited to attend Children's Worship in room 200.	

Hymn No. 133	"Shout to the Lord"
Morning Prayer	Whitney Russell
Offering Our Gifts	Wanda Melchers
Today's Message	Travis Russell
	"Huldah"
	2 Kings 22:11-20
Invitation	
Hymn of Invitation No. 435	"Just As I Am"
Recognition of Response	Travis Russell
Benediction	Justin Rodgers
Postlude	Wanda Melchers

Church Classroom Training: Universal Design for Learning and Behavior Response

Join us at 6 PM August 17th in the small dining room as we explore teaching to a variety of learning styles and needs, responding to undesired/unexpected behaviors, and sharing ideas for working with neurodivergent children and families. This training is open for anyone church-wide. To prepare, see the Neurodivergence 101 series of videos available at cbf.net/children.

Wednesday Women

Ladies, mark your calendars for a brand new study this fall: *The Way of Wisdom*, which is a multi-author study of the Book of Proverbs, led by Susan Jones. We will meet Wednesdays, 10 AM - 12 PM in the Disciple Center beginning September 9th and concluding October 28th. Please secure your own book and sign up through the church office (540-343-7685). See Susan with any questions.

Please Note the Following:

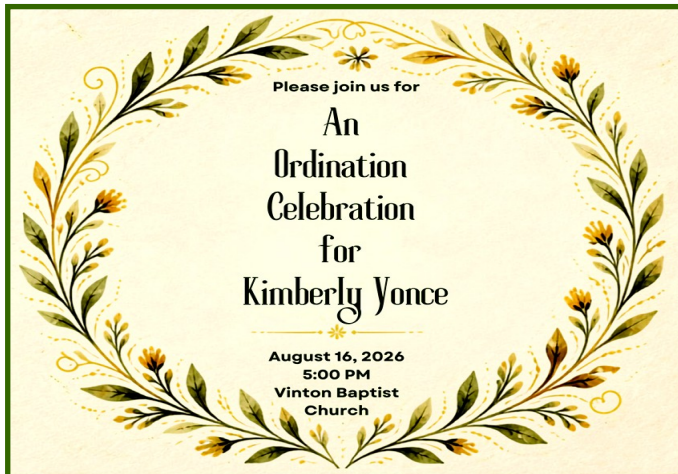
Our annual **Budget Committee Meeting** will take place tomorrow, August 10th at 6:30 PM in the small dining room. Anyone is welcome; committee chairpersons are encouraged to attend.

Sign up for our **Blood Drive** this Wednesday, August 12th, 3 - 6 PM. Walk-ins are also welcome. A \$60 e-gift card will be awarded to every donor, and a \$10 donation will be made to VBC for each unit of blood collected. Simply use this QR code and enter sponsor code 12213.



The **Chancel Choir** will rehearse this Wednesday at 7 PM in the choir room. Our weekly rehearsals will resume September 9th. ALL singers are welcome. You do not have to be a member of the church to join us!

Youth, mark your calendars for Sunday, August 23rd, 1:30 - 3 PM for a Volleyball Open Gym/Coaches' Birthday Bash! This event is open to all youth. We will celebrate birthdays for Joanna, Ken, and Bobby!



Attention: Parents

We have handouts available at the Welcome Center with suggested exercises and devotions to prepare your student(s) for their return to school. Please let us know if we can help you with any other resources.

Upcoming JOY Senior Events

Our annual JOY Senior Mystery Trip is this Saturday, August 15th. The cost is \$109/person and includes 3 meals and all admissions. We will depart VBC by Abbott bus at 8 AM and return at approximately 8 PM. **The deadline to sign up and pay is TODAY.**

Mark Thursday, August 27th on your calendar for the JOY Senior Break-out, which will take us to Booker T. Washington National Monument/Homeplace. We will leave VBC at 9:30 AM and have a tour, picnic lunch, and a stop at Homestead Creamery for ice cream. Our lunch will be a sandwich and salad from Homestead Creamery, chips, watermelon, and water. Cost is \$12/person. Sign up/pay at the JOY Senior table.

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Sermon Notes