

This Week's Events
Sunday, September 13th:
9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Morning Worship
11:45 AM Youth Choir Rehearsal
4:00 PM Weeknight Worship Rehearsal
5:00 PM Handbells Rehearsal
5:30 PM Youth Dinner/Extreme
Monday, September 14th:
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Food Pantry Open
9:30 AM Fun & the Son Playgroup (127)
Tuesday, September 15th:
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Ministerial Staff Planning
2:00 PM Helen Siner Wood Circle (lib)
6:00 PM Finance Committee (library)
6:00 PM Steel Drums Rehearsal
Wednesday, September 16th:
10:00 AM Wednesday Women (DC)
10:00 AM Staff Meeting (library)
6:15 PM Children's Choirs
6:15 PM Youth Missions Group
6:30 PM Weeknight Worship
7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, September 17th:
9:30 AM Fun & the Son Playgroup (127)
10:00 AM Thursday Small Group (SDR)

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.

Vinton Baptist Church
Morning Worship
September 13, 2026

*Prelude	Wanda Melchers
Welcome & Opportunities at VBC	Whitney Russell
Call to Worship	"All the Way My Savior Leads Me" Chancel Choir
Responsive Reading	Chris Monroe
Leader: We lift our voices in praise to the Lord, the source of all gladness.	
ALL: With grateful hearts, we honor the God who is always leading us.	
Leader: The Lord is our strength and our song, steady in mercy and rich in compassion.	
ALL: Lord, guide our steps and cover us with grace.	
Leader: From morning light to evening rest, God does not slumber nor sleep.	
ALL: The Lord provides for all our needs, sustaining us with faithful care.	
Leader: Let us walk in confidence with Christ, for God's presence is with us each day.	
Invocation	
Hymn No. 149	"Praise Him! Praise Him!"
252	"Down at the Cross"
Passing the Peace of Christ	
The Children's Time	Jodi Estienne
K - 1st graders are invited to attend Children's Worship in room 205.	
Hymn No. 514	"Be Still, My Soul"
Morning Prayer	Whitney Russell
Offering Our Gifts	Chris Monroe
Today's Message	"I Am the Bread of Life" Travis Russell
John 6:25-40	
Invitation	
Hymn of Invitation No. 82	"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"
Recognition of Response	Travis Russell
Benediction	David Semones
Postlude	Wanda Melchers

Sunday Activities Resume Today!
Youth Choir rehearsal at 11:45 AM (6th - 12th grades)
Handbells rehearsal at 5 PM
Youth Dinner/Extreme at 5:30 PM



Next Sunday, September 20th
Next Sunday is a day chock full of important events:

- ⇒ The Youth Choir will hold a **Salad & Potato Bar Fundraiser Lunch** in the gym immediately following worship. Dessert and drink are included. Carryout is available. The cost is \$10/person, and proceeds benefit next summer's Youth Choir Mission Tour. Please purchase your ticket(s) **TODAY** at the Welcome Center so that food can be prepared using an accurate count. See Terry Hough with questions.
- ⇒ There is a **Church-wide Fellowship** at 4:15 PM in the gym, sponsored by our Hostess Committee. Please take time to enjoy one another's company.
- ⇒ The **Ministry Matters** business meeting begins at 5 PM. Next year's budget will be presented and discussed. Copies are available in the church office and through a link in The Witness. (There will be a special called business meeting at the conclusion of worship Sunday, October 4th to vote on the proposed budget.) The Human Resources Committee will also recommend the transition of Rev. Kim Yonce from Communications Coordinator to Minister of Communications & Pastoral Care. Details of this position and process will be presented and discussed. If you are a church member, please plan to attend. If you are not yet a member but are thinking about membership, you are welcome, as well.
- ⇒ **Art from the Heart & Mission Kids** (for all elementary age children) will also begin at 5 PM.
- ⇒ **Extreme** will start at 6 PM for all youth. There will be no youth dinner Sunday night so that Whitney can attend Ministry Matters.
- ⇒ During the course of Sunday's events, there will be over 50 VBC pictures, plaques, and trophies on display in the gym from days gone by. These items are available first-come, first-served for anyone interested. They are offered by the **History Committee**, as the committee is cleaning out. Any pictures that remain after Sunday will be donated to Goodwill, and trophies/plaques will be disposed of. Questions? See Terry Hough or Rob Lyon.

*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. Thank you!

Sunday, September 27th

- We also have important events scheduled the last Sunday of September:
- ◇ During **Morning Worship** we will celebrate Patsy Talbert and the 43 years that she has devoted to Vinton Baptist Church. There will also be a **Retirement Celebration Reception** for Patsy from 3 PM until 5 PM in the gym, and everyone is invited! Patsy's final day of work will be September 30th.
 - ◇ The **Preteen Ministry** will kick off a new school year with games, gaga ball, pizza, and ice cream at the Vinton Community Play-ground across the street. All 3rd - 5th graders are invited! See Jodi with any questions.

Upcoming JOY Senior Events

- Sign up now for our day trip to the Christiansburg Hobby Lobby and Red Lobster Saturday, September 26th. Your cost is only what you spend. We will depart VBC at 9 AM.
- See the JOY Senior table for details on the following:
- Our next JOY Senior Luncheon is Tuesday, September 29th. Our guest is Dr. Sarah Bailey from Univ. of Lynchburg, who will discuss brain health.
 - We will take a trip to Williamsburg October 12th - 14th, including tours of Jamestown and Colonial Williamsburg.
 - Join us for a JOY Senior Break-out to the Peaks of Otter Tuesday, October 27th. We will enjoy lunch (cost on your own) and the beauty of the mountain peaks, lake, and (hopefully) fall foliage.



Thursday Morning Small Group

Travis' Thursday Morning Small Group is scheduled to begin weekly meetings this Thursday, September 17th. There will be no lunch this week. Monthly lunches at Pok-E-Joe's (for those who want to attend) will begin the first week in October.

The **Steel Drum Ensemble** has a few openings for new players this fall. If you can read music and would like to get involved, see Chris. The **Chancel Choir** is also recruiting singers for our Christmas Musical. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7:30 PM. Come, get involved!

Christian sympathy is extended to Emilie & Kevin McCaskill, Dennise Westland & Justin Meyers, Kyle Westland, and Chris Plucker and families in the death of Angela Peterson, who passed away September 2nd; and to Marie & Travis Chattin and family in the death of husband and father, Charlie Chattin, September 5th.

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