

Variations

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

A Bi-Weekly Message from Vestavia Hills Baptist Church

Youth Week March 2-9

During Youth Week our youth will participate in a variety of meaningful events throughout the week. From serving our community to worshiping with one another, they will exemplify the Body of Christ.

Youth Week Schedule

Sunday Morning: Youth Sunday
Sunday Evening: Mission Night
Monday Evening: Youth Fellowship
Wednesday Evening: Youth Bible Study
Thursday Afternoon: Meet at Back Yard Burger
Friday and Saturday: Sexuality Seminar

Leadership in the Youth Ministry

Jason Dearing
Jane Bowick
Lauren Hartzog
Nancy St John
Jim St John
Kathryn Stewart
Robin Cameron

Clark Cameron
Kevin Jaquess
Jennifer Jaquess
Terre Johnson
Linda Griggs
Mary Kathryn Borland
John Andrew Wesley

Michaela Bundon
Laura Chaires
Andy Farmer
Andrew Farrell
Allison Dearing
Brooke Fleming
Taylor Ross

BY THE NUMBERS

Students participating in the Youth Ministry: 51

Schools Represented:

9 different high schools, 6 different middle schools

45% attend in the Vestavia Hills school system

55% attend in other systems

Attention: All Sunday School Teachers

God is working in exciting ways in our fellowship and it is good to know that we are a part of this as SS leaders.

As one of several times of prayer for the Campaign, the SS teachers are invited to meet together in the chapel from 8:30am to 8:45am on Sunday mornings from March 2, 2008 to May 18, 2008 to pray that God would bless both students and teachers. A different teacher will lead each Sunday prayer time.

I believe this will be a wonderful experience to pray with leaders from the Children's, Youth and Adult classes. I know it will be a great blessing to support one another in prayer as we seek to serve the Lord in this way.

Do take this opportunity to join us on Sunday mornings as we seek to draw close to God in prayer.

Regards
Gwen Roxburgh
Stewardship Education Coordinator

Betty Sue SHEPHERD Memorial Scholarship Fund

Betty Sue Shepherd

Dr. Betty Sue Shepherd was legendary throughout the Southeast as a brilliant performer and consummate teacher. She passed away in 2007 after teaching for 50 years at Samford University, and serving 38 years as organist at Vestavia Hills Baptist Church.

The Shepherd Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund was established in order to honor the memory of Betty Sue Shepherd by giving scholarship assistance to music students in colleges in the Birmingham area. The scholarship program is administered by a committee within Vestavia Hills Baptist Church, and students are invited to apply for scholarship awards each academic year. Scholarship recipients are invited to participate in the worship, programs and activities of the church.

The Shepherd Memorial Concert

May 4, 2008 at 7:00 PM

The Shepherd Scholarship Fund will remain viable through the proceeds of an annual gala concert. The 2008 Shepherd Memorial Concert will take place in the **Jemison Concert Hall at the Alys Stephens Center**, and features a festival choir made up of singers from Vestavia Hills Baptist Church, The Birmingham Concert Chorale, The Cahaba Chorale, The Baptist Church of the Covenant, The Mississippi University for Women, and Vestavia Hills High School. They will perform Mozart's *Requiem* in memory of Dr. Shepherd, accompanied by the Southeastern Chamber Orchestra. In addition, one of Dr. Shepherd's former students, Dawson Hull, will perform Tchaikovsky's *Piano Concerto No. 1* as a tribute to his mentor and teacher. It is hoped that the annual gala concert becomes a singular and lasting memorial to an inspiring musician and brilliant performer.

You can pick up a ticket order form in the church office or they will be available on the tables on Wednesday nights.



Make Worship Part of Your Lenten Season

- ◆ Thursday Evenings in Prayer, in the Chapel, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ Palm Sunday Worship Service, March 16, 10:00 a.m.
- ◆ Maundy Thursday Communion Service, March 20, 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ Good Friday Service & Luncheon, March 21, 11:45 a.m.
- ◆ Easter Sunday, March 23, Bible Study, 8:45 a.m.,
Worship, 10:00 a.m.

Welcome New Members

Julie Fort
SU Box 3300
800 Lakeshore Drive
Birmingham, AL 35229

Kevin Jordan
P.O. Box 36040
Birmingham, AL 35236

Mike, Ann & David Steppe
2560 Whetstone Rd.
Birmingham, AL 35243

Roger & Ellen Williams
817 Columbiana Rd.
Birmingham, AL 35209



Easter will be here before you know it. Call Now!

This year we would like to decorate the sanctuary with Easter Lilies. If you would like to place one or more lilies in honor of or in memory of a loved one, you can call Martha in the church office at 979-5920 or email her at martha@vhbc.com by Sunday, March 16. The cost is \$17.00

Remember in Prayer...

Members in the Hospital

Members at Home

*Maxine Ammons	Nancy Lochamy
Grace Barnes	Doris McWaters
Virginia Deaton	Marge Olive
Earl Donegan	Nora Ousley
*Bill Dupree	Elizabeth Quinby
Kathryn Eidson	Martha Ray
Jim & Martha Galyean	Joan Sanders
Elaine Goodwyn	Judy Schlegel
Wyatt Guy	Roscoe Simpson
Leta Holliman	Velma Smyth
Mary Lou Hughes	Arthur Weeks
Deborah Karn	Bob Wilson
Dorothy Lindsay	Jody Wilson
Mildred Kent	Richard Wilson
Faye Knowles	Edith Wood
Elizabeth Lindsey	Nettie Worrell
Sarah Little	

Christian Sympathy

Christian Sympathy is expressed to:

- ♦ *The family of Elwood Goss in his death on February 18.*
- ♦ *Carole Miller and family in the death of her father, Peter Golinski, on February 6, in Florida.*
- ♦ *Portia Franklin and family in the death of her brother, Ken Stasney of Greenville, S.C. on February 12.*
- ♦ *Mindy Bodenhamer and family in the death of her aunt, Irene Price, on Feb. 24, in Huntsville.*



ROUND TABLE
Tuesday, March 4
10:30 a.m.—Fireside Room

Juanita Blackburn will give an overview of the book **Pig in a Taxi and Other African Adventures** by Suzanne Crocker.

Ministry Budget Offering

Budget Needs This Week	\$30,664
Budget Given This Week	\$13,243
Budget Needs This Month	\$132,878
Budget Given This Month	\$84,074
Budget Needs This Year	\$265,756
Budget Given This Year	\$179,024

Unified Missions Offering

2008 Goal	\$52,400
Given to Date	\$14,336

Help Needed on Easter Sunday!

We will have lots of preschoolers on Easter Sunday! Please contact Nancy if you can help in the Preschool area during worship.

Your help will ensure that each preschooler will have a positive and loving Easter Sunday morning experience.

MOM's Brunch Bunch

Saturday, March 8, 2008, 9:30—11:30

RSVP, nancy @vhbc.com, for the brunch and childcare by Wednesday, March 5th.

CPR "Heartsaver AED" Course

Saturday, April 5, 9-noon

Children's Building, Room 205

\$5 Per Person

Course is open to ages 15 and older

To register, call the church office, 979-5920 or email Nancy at nancy@vhbc.com. The CPR "Heartsaver AED" Course teaches:

- ♦ CPR
- ♦ AED (Artificial External Defibrillator) use
- ♦ Relief in choking in adults and children
- ♦ Infant CPR and relief of choking

We Care

Monday, March 3
10:00 a.m.—Fireside Room

Deacons Meeting
Sunday, March 9

5:00 p.m. —Adult Seminar Room

Handbell Concert

This weekend, February 29 and March 1, our Handbell Choir will participate in a festival sponsored by the Central Alabama Division of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers.

The Festival Concert will be on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. in the Spain Park High School gymnasium (at the rear of the school) and is free and open to everyone.

WE INVITE YOU TO COME!

Congratulations

Congratulations to Thad and Marty Mullins on the birth of a grandson, William Foster Mullins, on February 11. Proud parents are Barry & Leslie Mullins of Mobile.

Week of February 28-March 5**Thursday, February 28**

5:30 Communion Service

Sunday, March 2

8:45 Bible Study

10:00 Worship Service-Youth

4:00 Youth Choir

4:30 Women's Bible Study

5:00 YOSE 120

Monday, March 3

9:30 Women's Bible Study

10:00 We Care

4:00 4 to 8

Tuesday, March 4

9:30 International Friends

10:30 Round Table

6:30 Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, March 5

6:30 Prayer Breakfast

10:30 Pastor's Bible Study

4:30 Fellowship Supper—Library

5:00 Handbells

5:30 Music for PS 3's-6th grade

6:00 Prayer Service

6:00 FPU, Youth Group

6:15 Mission Friends, GA's, RA's

7:00 Sanctuary Choir

Week of March 6-12**Thursday, March 6**

5:30 Communion Service

Saturday, March 8

9:30 Mom's Brunch

Sunday, March 9

8:45 Bible Study

10:00 Worship Service

4:00 Youth Choir

4:30 Women's Bible Study

5:00 Deacons Meeting

5:00 Acteens/Adelphoi

6:00 YOSE

Tuesday, March 11

9:30 International Friends

11:30 Prayer for World Missions

Wednesday, March 12

6:30 Prayer Breakfast

10:30 Pastor's Bible Study

4:30 Fellowship Supper-Library

5:00 Handbells

5:30 Music for PS 3's-6th grade

6:00 Prayer Service ,FPU, YG

6:15 Mission Friends, GA's, RA's

7:00 Sanctuary Choir

Volunteers in Service for the week of March 2**Deacons of the Week:** * Julie Roller, Gwen Roxburgh**Counting Team:** Bob Bush, Mel Kukelhan**Sound Technology:** Mike Wells, Lee Watford**Shuttle Service Team:** Mike Oatts, Stuart Collier, Dean Gober**Flower Committee:** Virginia Wood, Jeanie Patterson**Library Committee:** Rachel Fancher (2), Sybil Cox (5)**Worship Care**

Babies Nancy St. John, Amy Hamilton

Creepers Lisa Churchill, Jennifer Carter

Ones Libby Pittman, Margaret Winkler

Twos David & Colleen Burroughs

Threes Steve & Michelle Thackerson

Fours/Fives Laura Griffio, Jan Deagon

Desk Janice Fulks

Volunteers in Service for the Week of March 9**Deacons of the Week:** *Hack Sain, Liz Philpot**Counting Team:** Ann Holt, Jason Dearing, Mike McCrory**Sound Technology:** Allen Fulks, Mike Wells**Shuttle Service Team:** Jeff Baker, Charlie Scott, Emory Gaskins**Flower Committee:** Susan Lebold**Library Committee:** Martha Eskew (9), Jeanne Harrelson (12)**Worship Care**

Babies Jane Bowick, Sharon Hartzog

Creepers Ryan & Meredith Hankins

Ones Erin Burton, Kevin Jaquess

Twos Leigh Whatley, Ellen Sheumaker

Threes Todd & Rachel Jordan

Fours/Fives Bob & Mavis Hardy

Desk Don Baker

FELLOWSHIP SUPPERMarch 5 Pork Chops, Corn Pudding, Baked Apple, Tossed Salad, Jello
Volunteers—Marilyn Tinnermon, Lynn Giles, Bob Eskew, Liz
WellsMarch 12 Lemon Pepper Chicken, Rice Pilaf, English Peas, Apple Ring,
Carrot Cake—Volunteers—Martha Eskew, Hazel Turner, Bob
Eskew, Mindy Bodenhamer

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