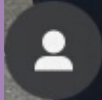


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**mission madness
in columbus, ga**



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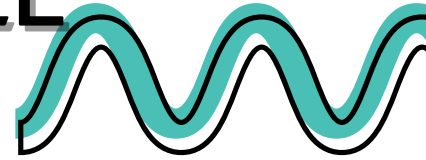
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WEEKLY SCHEDULE



8:45 SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

AM

- Children's Sunday School meets in the Children's Building. Please sign your child in at the front reception desk.
- Find our Welcome Team in the main foyer if you need assistance looking for a class for you and your family.

10:00 WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY

AM

- Worship guides and hymn sheets are available at the sanctuary entrances.
- If you are unable to worship in person with us, please join us online or over the radio at 91.1 FM.
- Worship Care for babies through Kindergarten begins at 9:45 am.

5:00 YOUTH ON SUNDAY EVENING

PM

- All youth meet in the Student Building to play games, listen to a devotion, and prepare for the upcoming week.

4:45 PM

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

- Meet us in the Fellowship Hall starting at 4:45 every Wednesday.
- Register online weekly at vhbc.com to reserve your meal!
- Adults/Youth \$6 per person
- Kids (K-6th) \$4 per person
- Preschoolers & College Students eat free!

4:45 PM

HANDBELLS

5:30 PM

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

6:00 PM

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

6:00 PM

ADULT SESSIONS

6:15 PM

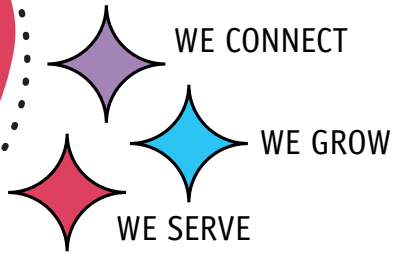
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

7:00 PM

SANCTUARY CHOIR



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Every VHBC program, event, or trip will rest on at least two of these pillars. These are our focuses.

the team



TYLER JOHNSON, VHBC STUDENT MINISTER

- Tyler is married to his wife, Alexis, and they have an almost 4-year-old daughter, Nora.
- Tyler is an avid fan of baseball (Go Cubs Go! Go Barons!) and the University of Tennessee football team (his alma mater).
- He has served churches in Tennessee, Texas, Kentucky and now here in Vestavia Hills, Alabama.

SARA BINET, YOUTH INTERN

- Sara is a former VHBC Youth who started working as our ministry intern in summer, 2022.
- She graduated from Mercer May, 2022 and is so happy to be back in B'ham!
- She is a great addition to our team!



YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

- Jason Cooper
- Merryl Cooper
- Jan Deagon
- Lucas Dorion
- Matt Hutcheson
- Rachel Jordan
- Jay McFarland
- Sara McFarland
- Jerolyn Phillips
- Scott Phillips
- Kathryn Stewart
- Dale Tadlock
- Allison Youngblood



"The success of our ministry does not lay at any one person's feet, it is a collaborative effort based on trust and mutual love for God and our desire to see our students flourish into who God is calling them to be."

TYLER JOHNSON



@vhbcyouth on instagram

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the sTUDenTs

Our youth group consists of over 50 students from all over the Birmingham metro area.

INDIAN SPRINGS HOOVER
HOMewood PELHAM
VESTAVIA

Look out for them serving in various capacities around the church and in our community.

- VBS
- Firehouse Shelter
- IME - global missions
- National missions opportunities like CBF Mission Madness

They meet multiple times a week at the church and have events off campus monthly!

- sunday morning bible study
- yose (youth on sunday evenings)
- 428 on mondays
- wednesday night live
- fall retreat
- holiday lock-ins
- winter retreat
- lake day
- GNOs

tHis WeEk

Youth Week is finally here! Each day, our youth will be gathering either at the church or somewhere around town.

- monday - 428 messy games
- tuesday - ice cream at bruster's
- wednesday - battle of the generations
- thursday - progressive dinner around town
- friday - chill day
- saturday - game day with the birmingham stallions

CoMIng s00n

- IME Training on Sunday, April 30th at 11:30 am
- Youth Ministry Team meeting on Sunday, May 7th at 11:30 am
- Senior Recognition Sunday on May 14th during worship
- 10th-12th graders traveling to Slovakia for IME on June 1st
- 7th-9th graders traveling to Panama City Beach on July 5th



WHAT'S HAPPENING
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VHBC CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

this week

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

Every year we celebrate the WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD in the CDC. This is an opportunity for all of us to recognize the importance of the early years, and work together to ensure all children have safe care and quality learning experiences that will help them succeed in school and beyond.

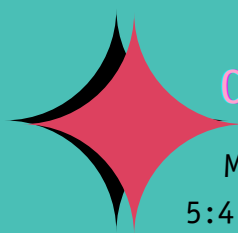


VBS @ VHBC 2023

June 12-15 Children who are rising 9-noon 1st graders through rising 5th grades welcome.

Following Jesus Changes Everything!
"Make your ways known to me, Lord; teach me your paths." Psalm 25:4

Donations needed! Refreshments needed for our VBS volunteers. We love chips & dips, fruit, cookies, etc.!



CDC SPRING PROGRAM

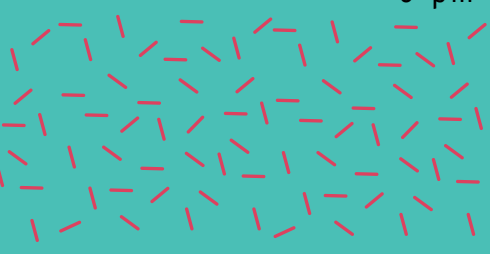
May 4 Support our CDC families alongside our CDC committee and welcome them to our church!

Arrive at 5:15 pm at the Fellowship Hall foyer to greet CDC parents & children before their program begins at 5:45 pm.



MUSIC & MISSIONS

May 10 Join us on this special Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Hall to listen to our VHBC kids share their music & experiences from this past year!



Join us Thursday, June 15 from 5-7 pm in the parking lot for a fun Food Truck Party!

VOLUNTEERS AROUND THE CHURCH

CHILDREN'S RECEPTION DESK

APR 23

Virginia Wood

APR 30

Barbara Kimbrel

WORSHIP CARE (9:45 am until end of worship)

APR 23

Lisa Speegle, Brandi Brownell, Cathy Donze, Abbey Donze, Adam Pouncey, Melissa Pouncey

APR 30

Amy Gillis, Caroline Nordlund, Maria Madden, Hadley McFarland, David Compher, Cathy Compher

WELCOME TEAM

APR 23/30

Sharon Hartzog
Carolyn Slappey
Brandi Brownell
Larry Brownell
Dan Caldwell/Kathy Finch
Chuck Gillespie
LaRue Speights-Gillespie
Sharon Repp
Fred Olive

TRANSPORTATION TEAM

APR 23

Mike Craddock
William Dupree

APR 30

Julia Duffy
Barton Duffy

WORSHIP TECHNOLOGY TEAM

APR 23 Greg Ruff, Hal David, Norfleete Day

APR 30 Greg Ruff, Hal David, Pete LeBerte

A MESSAGE FROM MARTY

We're grateful to all the musicians who made Sunday's Shepherd Memorial Concert possible. In case you missed it, you can access the recording [HERE](#). We're also grateful to everyone who made gifts to the Shepherd Scholarship Fund, which supports area college students who in our Sanctuary choir. Contributions are still being received [HERE](#).

MIDWEEK ADULT BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAYS AT 10 AM

Starting tomorrow, join Pastor Eric for a 4-week study in the Seminar Room.

THE SPIRIT BREAKS IN: A STUDY OF ACTS 1-9

The New Testament book of Acts chronicles the arrival of the Holy Spirit and its impact on the world. This study will examine the first 9 chapters of the book exploring events where the Holy Spirit breaks into the world and the results that follow.

SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON

May 2nd at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall

Spring INTO **SUMMER**

\$10 at the door - register online, sign up in your Bible study class or in the church office!

Entertainment will be provided by Chris Withrow, a great young baritone and new voice faculty member at SU. He will share Broadway favorites, American standards, and maybe a light classic or two.

NEWS & EVENTS



AN INVITATION TO SERVE

WHY THE WORDS BAPTIST &
MISSIONS ARE SYNONYMOUS TO
ME WITH A LIVED OUT FAITH.

BY LAURA TADLOCK



In this season of Mission Anew, we have an opportunity to come together as a congregation and celebrate and participate the good work of God with and through our mission partners.

Our worship time together will have testimonies of collaboration education and invitation as we all seek to find ways to be on mission, to be the hands and feet of Christ to our neighbors. Following worship, those participating in an afternoon of service will join together for a boxed lunch in the fellowship hall.

At 11:30 am we will all disperse to our mission engagements onsite and offsite. We have developed opportunities for participation online, onsite at VHBC, and offsite with our mission partners in Birmingham.

We still have need of YOU to join us! Whether it's baking cookies for community helpers, painting a house for Urban Ministries apprentice program, working in a garden, or making a flower arrangement to take to a homebound member - there is something for the WHOLE family! Our onsite activities are family-friendly and should be a lot of fun! Go to VHBC.com and sign up today!





Growing up in the church, the words Baptist and missions were synonymous in my understanding of a lived out life of faith. In 2023 it's easy to connect with God's work in the world. We can buy livestock for communities in need halfway around the world. We can send money to help provide housing and food for war torn immigrants in Slovakia and Ukraine. We can collect peanut butter and soap for hometown nonprofits that have needs.

But SPRING SERVE SUNDAY provides us a special opportunity of hands-on mission in action, where we give of our time, our bodies, and our gifts to be used by God as we seek to love our neighbors. So this Sunday, wear your work clothes, but most importantly clothe yourself with Spirit-filled joy and passion for service.

As a young girl I was a GA, a girl-in-action, we met every Wednesday, prayed for missionaries around the world, learned about different places in God's great world, and listened for God's voice to call us to his service.

In this fifty-something season of my life, I still feel led to pray for our missionaries, learn more about God's world, and listen for God's call to serve. This Sunday is an INVITATION to do this once again!
Can you hear it? Can you feel it?

Come and be a part of this season of Mission Anew. Let's experience together what we can do for the Kingdom of God right here in our community! See you Sunday.

Laura



SPRING SERVE SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023

**JOIN VHBC FOR A SPECIAL DAY
FOCUSED ON MISSIONS!**

Worship at 10 am
Box Lunch at 11 am
Mission Teams on/off site
at 11:30 am

**FAMILY-FRIENDLY SITES &
CHILDCARE PROVIDED IF NEEDED!**

T-shirts for all participants.
Adults \$10
Children \$5
Available for purchase this
Wednesday and Serve day.



Register online at vhbc.com/springserve



PRAYER

IN THE HOSPITAL

Pat Cottrell STVHS CICU 502
Lorelle Singleton STVHS ICU

UPCOMING PROCEDURES

Tommy Tarvin 4/27

ONGOING TREATMENTS/RECOVERY

Brenda Ammons	Shirley Furr
Linda Anderson	Cordy Grigsby
Roger Bates	Robin Johnson
John Bell	Gaynell Pinson
Julia Booth	Doris Wilson
Jason Cooper	
Mona Fisher	

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to the family of Hazel Turner in her death on Sunday, April 9. Visitation will begin at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, April 18 with service to follow at 2:00 pm in the VHBC Sanctuary.

HOMEBOUND & WE CARE

Juanita Blackburn	Dot Lowe
Libby Brown	Al Lowery
Ann Bush	Mary Lysaght
Mary Creech	Samson Mathangani
Jane Deagon	Kitty Newell
Franciska Dyck	Margaret Northrup
Esther Evans	Jerry Singleton
Milton Fullman	Jean Spivey
Al Furr	Alicia Stigler
Pat Gillespie	Betty Vanstrum
Sandy Gillis	Doris Wilson
Bob & Mavis Hardy	
Ruford Hodges	
Peggy Jones	
Charlotte Kyser	

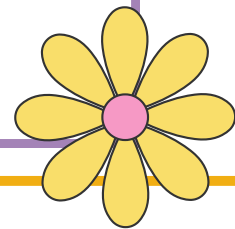
MISSIONARIES AROUND THE WORLD

Dianne & Shane McNary - Slovakia
Awon Shanglai - India
Marco & Omar Vallejo - Mexico
Richard Owiti Kogola, Paul Mbogo, Benson Mwangangi, & Josphat Thiori - Kenya
Chuck Tarter - Ireland
Kandy & Paul Huynh - Cambodia

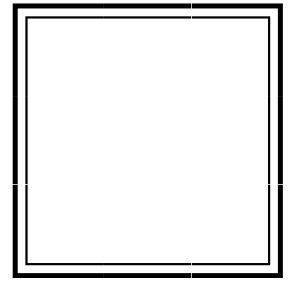
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WE NEED YOU!

July 10-13, 2023
Contact Laura Tadlock
at laura@vhbc.com to
register to serve!



WEDNESDAYS @ VHBC



APRIL 19TH AT 6 PM
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

BATTLE

OF THE GENERATIONS
QUIZ SHOW!



APRIL 26TH & MAY 3RD AT 6 PM
ON THE FRONT LAWN



ORDER YOUR WEDNESDAY DINNERS ONLINE AT VHBC.COM/DINNERATVHBC

APRIL 19 DINNER: BAKED ZITI, SALAD, GARLIC BREAD, DESSERT
ADULTS: \$8 CHILDREN: \$6 PRESCHOOL & COLLEGE STUDENTS: FREE