

| Sunday School 9:45 | Worship Service 10:45 |

Message from Pastor Mitch

Seeds were planted and watered. We work to keep the weeds out and now we wait for the growth and harvest! Does that produce a memory of your summers in the past? While many of us grew up on a farm or definitely working a garden (and it is garden season!), the seeds I am speaking of are eternal ones! Our Vacation Bible School was a "seed planting" time! At least 2 students made professions of faith and honestly I feel more will let us know in the weeks and days to come! While plans are being made already for our 2025 Vacation Bible School, let's not soon forget the success of what the Lord accomplished through our church this year! Young and old(er) grew in their Christian walk as we learned what it means to be an overcomer through Christ. Let's all press on! Thank you Education Committee, teachers, cooks, recreation leaders, craft leaders, music leaders, and all who made it such a success. As I said, lives were changed as a result! To God be the Glory!

Traditionally, lots of people travel during these summer months and often put church attendance on the back burner. Let's stay strong and constantly invite others to join us as we strive to be a light on this corner. We are called to share the Good News of Christ to all! Let's keep on keeping on! May we be bold and courageous as God provides opportunities for us.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve with you!
Because He Lives,
Pastor Mitch

July Sermons

7/7/2024

Be the Church: The Persecution of the Church Acts 14:1-28

7/14/2024

Be the Church: The Prejudice of the Church Acts 15:1-41

7/21/2024

Be the Church: The Partnership of the Church Acts 16:1-40

7/28/2024

Be the Church: The Prominence of the Church Acts 17:1-34



The Women's Home and Foreign Mission Society (WH&FMS) meets **Monday, July 1, at 6:30 pm**. All Ladies are invited.

We are once again handing out water to parade watchers on **Thursday, July 4**. Set up begins at 10:30. Please bring water to share by July 3.

On **July 7 at 9 am** we are having our monthly Sunday School Breakfast. Join us for a time for fellowship before classes begin at 9:45.

The Deacon Body will meet **Monday, July 8 at 6:30 pm**.

Trustees will meet **Thursday, July 18 at 6:30 pm**.

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Words of Encouragement

Dear friends, what an experience to work in Vacation Bible School this year. I loved VBS as a child. Now as an adult, it is absolutely an honor to serve and experience it through the children and youth. This year, it was a privilege to work with two great friends (Becky and Steve) as well as to see the enthusiasm of the groups as they came to sing. It was amazing the insight they shared on "Why we Sing" and the openness to learn new songs. They certainly kept us on our toes and I for one loved every minute. Now I am looking forward to next year!

After Bible School, I have been catching up on "The Chosen." What an absolutely fabulous series. All episodes of seasons one through three, and as of this writing, episodes 1-5 of season 4 are available on the Chosen app. As I watch the scenes unfold, it takes me back to Galilee. I can smell the sea, feel the heat and hear the birds. It makes me recall all the things I learned last summer in Israel. But most importantly it makes me thankful for a Savior who walked and talked in those places. The One who healed the sick, made the lame walk and the blind to see. The One who broke my chains of sin and set me free to live. The One who knows when I hurt before I even tell Him and will be a

confidante like no other. Jesus is His name! As Peter said: "You are the Messiah (Christ), the Son of the living God!" (Matthew 16:16)

Rejoice today in the fact that Jesus loves you!

Sara



Please send a card, make a call, visit, and pray for these family members.

Week of July 7

RA & Brenda Cornett
800 Baird's Creek Road
Vilas, NC 28692

Week of July 14

Ned Bentley
296 Hickory Lane
Boone, NC 28607

Week of July 21

Nadine Ward
403 Ward Greene Rd.
Vilas, NC 28692

Week of July 28

Marie Jones
355 Evergreen Lane
Boone, NC 28607



God is King

July 7: Becky and Sallie
God is the One True God.

July 14: Tammy
God is Deliverer.

July 21: Sondra
God is Lawgiver.

July 28: Cynthia
God goes before us.



July 6 Youth Tubing Trip
(see Chris for details)

July Memory Verse

"If my people who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and I will forgive their sin and heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14