From the Pastor

Skip Wallace, Regional Field Strategist, BGAV

Sometimes I enjoy getting up at night to read, or work, or watch a silly DVD on TV. Sometimes I get up because
Sermon Topic: “Be Amazed”

Scripture: Luke 7: 1-10 (NIV translation)

Calendar
Wednesday Schedules:
7:00 - 8:00 Prayer/Bible Study

Thursday Schedule:
7:30-8:30 Praise Team

Sunday Schedule:
9:00 am Worship Team Practice
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

I have trouble sleeping. My father was, and my older brother is exactly the same way. This week I have enjoyed going out on the porch at night to just sit, think, and pray a little. It has been fun to listen to the rain, enjoy the night sounds, and try to listen to the Lord as my thoughts drift. The parsonage has a nice front porch!

Last night was awesome. The clouds finally cleared a little, and the moon was full. It was so bright that you could see shadows, and almost see as well as in the day. The moon was really bright. What is a little unexpected about the moon, though, is that it has no light of its own. It only reflects the light of the sun, and I cannot even see the sun at night because it is hidden on the other side of the planet. And the moon is not a very good mirror. It is made out of rocks and dust. Not a shiny surface at all. Not material that we would ever use to make a mirror. But the sun is so bright that you can see its reflection in the rocks on the moon. And it was bright enough last night to see shadows and find your way around.

I think God is the same way. We are mere clay vessels that house his glory and spirit. We are not shiny at all,
but He shines so bright that others can see the Lord in us. We have no light of our own. But the Lord’s light is very bright, and reflects from us even though we are imperfect and fall short of the His expectations.

“Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. . . .”

(Matthew 13: 43, NIV)

Your friend and pastor,

Bill

Wednesday 7:00pm
Bible Study

Special Called Business Meeting
October 10
7:00 pm
There is a special called business meeting scheduled for October 10, immediately following the fellowship meal. The Safety Team will present the details of a camera surveillance system for discussion and approval.

WMU/ WOM meeting
Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study
October 10
After Business Meeting
The WMU/ WOM will start their meeting immediately following the business meeting. For those who want to attend the prayer meeting, it will also meet immediately follow the business meeting.
Update to directory coming soon, please contact Mary Williams for any additions, corrections or changes that need to be made.

Thanks
Mary

Operation Inasmuch
Saturday, October 6
7am to 1pm
(Some projects work until 3 or 4pm)

You can still sign up!!

Join in with members of other churches to
participate in a one day mission event. Participants can be any skill level, any age, and any gender. Hopefully we will have a project for you. The event is sponsored by the Augusta Baptist Association and will be launched from Laurel Hill Baptist Church. This is a great way to develop relationships with others in our community as we work together to serve. If you want to be part of the planning process, or are willing to lead one of the projects, please contact Bill Davis at 688-6235. Sign up sheets will be available soon so that you can chose how you would like to serve.

Youth News

Youth Bake Sale Fundraiser scheduled for September 29 has been Cancelled.

Escape Room, Sunday September 30th, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
August Baptist Association Youth Leaders are hosting an Escape Room event, and the location of this event is Greenville Baptist. Youth that need a ride to Greenville Baptist, we will leave the church at approximately 4:15 pm and return at 9:00 pm.
Our annual Alma Hunt Mission Offering started the first of September. There should be envelopes and a flyer explaining in your mailbox at church. The goal for our church this year is $500. We received $290 for Alma Hunt this week.....$340 total.

Our monthly October Wednesday night dinner will be moved for this month only to October 10th. After the Wednesday night dinner, the GALS will separate and hold their GALS meeting and will be folding 1,000 training program for Valley Program for the Aging to use for their clients. This will be an excellent way of helping with Missions by offering our church, serving a meal and helping get their information packet together.

Thanks to all who unselfishly donate their time, money and gifts to mission work in our church and community.
Harvest Fair

Do you have a craft or hobby that you make and would like to sell for a little extra Christmas money?

We are planning a **Harvest Fair** on Sat., Oct. 27th from 9-3 at the church. This can be woodworking, sewing projects, baked goods, anything you do that you would like share & sell. There will no cost for the table and the money you make, you keep.

We need enough people interested to do this, so, please contact Joy at 480-4255 or Pat at 292 -2321 soon. We would like to keep it to church folks first, but may open it up to your friends. The Fair itself will be open to the public for sales.

Great time to do some Christmas shopping too.

Joy & Pat

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Seeking: Children’s Sunday School Teachers

I can think of few things better that seeing the light in the eyes of young children as they come to
understand how much God loves them and what it means to trust in the Lord. We are seeking teachers to work in our Sunday School Department. Please prayerfully consider that God might be calling you!

**Also Needed:**

**Youth Sunday School Teacher**

**Kingdom Seekers Class Teacher**

Many of our teachers have been teaching for many years in a row. They need a rest. This is also an opportunity for others to step out in faith as they follow the Lord, and get some experience leading. Are you brave enough to pray and ask the Lord if He is calling you?

**Sound Team Volunteers Needed:**

If you would like to work behind the scenes and help run the sound system for Sunday morning worship, and/or during the rehearsals on Thursday night, please contact Logan Lockridge, Jeff Wonderley or Bill Davis. You do not need to have any previous experience to do this.
Children’s Christmas Program  
Sunday Evening, December 9  

We're looking for children and youth and adults to be singers, actors, stage crew, etc. If you want to help, we will find a place for you. Kim and Tammy.

Join Us  
For Supper!  

October Fellowship Dinner.  
October 10, 2018 6:00 p.m.  
Name_________________.  
Adults $7.50_____ Children $7.50_____

Menu: Chicken Tenders with dipping sauces, AuGratin Potatoes. Baked Beans, Banana Pudding, rolls and tea.

The church pays for the number of meals ordered. If you sign up and find you are unable to attend please consider paying for the meal or sending a friend in your place.  
Please RSVP by October 7th, 2018 to Bill and Kay Flavin 248-5093 or 448-2161 or e-mail  
50billy@comcast.net
WRE Fall Fundraiser
Sunday October 14
6:00 pm
Verona United Methodist Church

Benefit Concert with the Faithful Men
This is an evening of entertainment provided by the faithful men to support the local WRE ministry (Weekday Religious Education). A love offering will be collected to support the ministry.

Pastor Appreciation Sunday

Plans are being made to observe Pastor Appreciation Day with a light lunch on Sunday, October 21, in the social hall, following the morning worship service, around noon.
Ladies will be asked later to bring food for this special occasion!
Mark your Calendar:
Dates to Remember

Wednesday 7:00pm Bible Study
Thurs: Praise Team 7:30-8:30

Sept 30: Youth Escape Room~5 pm to 8 pm
Oct 1-4: Ark Encounter and Creation Museum
Oct 6: Operation Inasmuch
Oct 7: Communion
Oct 10: Fellowship Dinner
Oct 10: Specialo
Oct 21: Pastor Appreciation Luncheon