

COMMUNICATING THE VISION  
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We are in the midst of Summer with all the activities that take place and with opportunities to serve. This week we are having Vacation Bible School, which is one of the most important events in our year. **What a privilege to have an entire week dedicated to teaching our children and those in our community about Jesus!** I am praying for at least ten children to give their hearts to Jesus this week.

Next **Tuesday, June 25**, our choir and orchestra, along with others from the community, will present the classic musical, ***Celebrate Life***. This timeless musical presents the good news in a simple but profound way. If you know some people who need Jesus, invite them to come with you. If you know some believers who need an inspiring experience, invite them to come. I am looking forward to this worship experience together. Please do not miss it!

Other big events are scheduled for July 2024. One thing that will be new is that **every Sunday in July is a "Gathering."** We will be meeting in joint worship at 10:30 am each Sunday and Sunday School at 9:15 am.

We will experience blended worship where everyone will enjoy something they like and we will have the opportunity to get to know our family at Parker better.

Bro. Derrick Hartley will be preaching all four Sundays during the month of July while Lynn and I will be away for a sabbatical. Thank you for allowing us to have this time away to get refreshed and to hear from our Heavenly Father about His future plans. I look forward to hearing how the month of Gatherings is used by God to help us celebrate being "one family."

Also during the month of July **Music Day Camp** will take place and hopefully more children will come to know Jesus. I will miss seeing the kids' presentation this year. Their presentation is always a blessing and they amaze me at how much they can learn in five short days.

I appreciate you, Parker Family, and feel blessed to be your pastor!

Bro. Mack

*We Welcome to Our Fellowship. . .*

**Lisa Banks (MC)**  
Joining by Baptism

The Gatherings

Gathering as ONE Family  
Each Sunday  
During the Month of July

9:15 AM - Sunday School

10:30 AM - Worship Service

DEARMANVILLE CAMPUS BRO. JOEY & BRO. JASON

**Times are a changing!** Yes, this certainly applies to our culture and our worldview. But, we have changed our Sunday schedule times too. We are now adjusting to the new and earlier times of 9:00 AM for Small Groups and 10:30 AM for Worship Celebration. We are excited about this change as it gives us more time in Small Groups AND allows us to let out a little earlier as well. The early feedback has been great!

We are preparing for something different in the Fall. Burdened by the growing religious pluralism in our community, we are offering an *Evangelism: Contemporary Religious Faiths* class on Wednesday nights at 6 PM. The group will look at basic beliefs of other religions and cults and discuss ways to engage people with the gospel. Group starts on Wednesday, August 7th back in the North Wing at ParkerDC.

- UPCOMING EVENTS -



**Wild Wild West VBS... June 25-28, 2024 / 8:30 - 11:30 AM.** This year we are taking it back to the cowboy days and learning about a faithful God amidst a wild and chaotic landscape. *WWW VBS* is for kids, K4 thru 6th grade (completed.) Registration now open at [www.dclivelove.com](http://www.dclivelove.com). See Meagan Lanier for all the details and to volunteer!

**Forward Youth Camp... July 8-13, 2024.** Please pray for our youth at they head to Orange Beach to serve and grow in faith. We will be serving alongside Baldwin Baptist. Pray for Nick Gregory as he leads.

**CentriKid Kids.... July 29th - August 2nd.** Please pray for our kids as they venture to WorldSong in Leeds for an awesome week of camp. Pray for Meagan Lanier as she leads this group.

**The Curb Campaign...** Pray about helping support an emphasis to raise \$40,000 to help repair and reseal our church parking lots and replace our church sign with an LED digital sign. Our first goal is \$15,000 by the end of June so we can repair the parking lot. We are over half way to that goal now. These updates will help update the curb appeal and help us communicate to our community better. Donations can be made to the DC Building Fund.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY CAROLYN CLIFTON

**Summer SIZZLE**

**5:30 pm until 7:30 pm**

**A Study in I Peter: Persevering in Faith**

June 26 - Chick-fil-A Oxford - Chapter 1  
July 10 - Mata's Pizza - Chapter 2  
July 17 - Baja Jacksonville - Chapter 3  
July 24 - Lisa Askew's Home - Chapter 4  
July 31 - Lisa Askew's Home - Chapter 5

This is a "ladies only" Bible study, with the exception of nursing infants 🍷 Call or text Carolyn by Noon on Wednesday to let us know you're coming: 256-453-0372. Food will be provided when we are at Lisa's home.

*Christian Sympathy. . .*

Vicki Brock & Family.....	Death of Mother
Family of Charlotte Willingham.....	
Family of B.J. Dunn.....	
Carol Strum & Family.....	Death of Sister
Shane Feazell.....	Death of Grandfather
Anna Bush & Family.....	Death of Uncle

MUSIC NOTES DON GOBER

**Music Day Camp 2024**

For 1-6 Grade Completed

**\$25 Fee**

**Let's ROCK!**

**July 15 - 19**  
8:30am - 12:00 noon

**Register Today**  
in the office or @ [ParkerMemorial.com](http://ParkerMemorial.com)!

**The Christian Life is not a solo act. We are the body of Christ!**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY & LEARNING CENTER CANDICE FEAZELL

What a fun week we are having at VBS! Vacation Bible School is always a wonderful time to share the Gospel with children in our community. We are sharing meals, Bible lessons, crafts, games and so much more during our "Drive" VBS. All children in attendance are having a wonderful time while learning about Jesus. We also are having so much fun making and racing our boxwood derby cars.

Thank you so much to all who volunteered your time and talents for VBS 2024. What a blessing it is to serve others and you showed that in such a precious way!

The Learning Center is having a wonderful Summer session and just completed our first off campus field trip to the Anniston Museum of Natural History. We shuttled 50 children to and from a great experience at the Museum. Summer Camp is going great and our next venture off campus will be to attend Parker DeArmanville's VBS.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY KIM SONNBERGER

Greetings.

I want to thank Pastor Derrick for his leadership of our Senior Adult Summer Bible Study, and I also want to thank those of you that attended. We were taught or reminded of how important it is to disciple others younger than we are and those who are new believers.

Our next Pacesetter Luncheon will be Tuesday, July 16th. Dr. Andrew Morris from Anniston Orthopaedics Sports Medicine and Physical Therapy will speak on "Staying Active As You Age." He will speak for about 10 minutes and then he wants to open up the floor for questions from you. So, prepare some questions ahead of time. Cost: \$6 per person (lunch included) ♦ 11:00 am ♦ 3rd floor of Martin Building.

Mission Project Report: The Kid's Camp and Youth Camp were successful camps! If you gave of your time and/or money to assist Candice or Kevin, then I want to thank you for your assistance.

YOUTH HAPPENINGS KEVIN ANDERSON



We've just returned from an amazing week at Shocco Springs summer camp, themed "Seen, Heard & Known" with Psalm 139 as our guiding passage. It's common for us to feel unnoticed at times, regardless of our age, job, or family role. Do we ever wonder if anyone really sees, hears, knows, or cares about us? While people may unintentionally overlook us, Jesus never does. This message deeply impacted our students, and we're thrilled that one of them committed her life to Jesus at camp.

A huge thank you to Brandon and Deborah Ransbottom, Greg White, and Jamie Anderson for joining us throughout the week. Special appreciation to Pastor Derrick for delivering a couple of powerful sermons during our time at camp. And most of all, thank you church family for giving so generously for students to attend.



