

News from the Mountain

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF
GLEN ALLEN BAPTIST CHURCH



WHAT DOES A HEALTHY CHURCH SOUND LIKE?

Squeals from the playground.
Laughter across a picnic table.
Cries from a scraped up knee.
Cheering from a cornhole game.
These are the sounds of a healthy church that is growing and serving and playing together.

In a couple of weeks, these sounds will amplify as we welcome our children and community into our space for Vacation Bible School. We will start by worshiping together on July 9 as the culmination of our first day of VBS.

Worship will look a little different that day, and we encourage you to dress like you're attending VBS because you are! Our sermon will be based on the memory verse of the week, Hebrews 12:1-3.

We will fill the sanctuary with the sounds of laughter and squeals of joy as we worship the living God together and pass on our faith to the next generation. I encourage you to pray now for how we can support our children and families and reach new people with the love of Jesus during VBS week!

Playing Together,
Melissa Fallen

THIS MONTH AT GABC

- 7/4 *Independence Day*
- 7/9 *VBS Begins*
- 7/15 *Arkansas Mission*
- 7/18 *Lunch Bunches*
- 7/25 *Deacon's Meeting*
- 7/27 *Quarterly Business Meeting*
- 7/30 *Summer Book Club*

CHURCH NEWS

Quarterly Business Meeting & Fish Fry

Our quarterly business meeting will be on July 26 at 6:30pm in the sanctuary. We will hear motions from our Nominating Committee for Sunday School and other positions. Our summer fish fry dinner begins at 5:45pm.



What Kind of Baptist Are We?

In June, the Southern Baptist Convention made news for their stance on women in ministry. That may have left you wondering what kind of Baptist are we? GABC is a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship church who affirms women in ministry, but more importantly affirms the basic Baptist doctrine of the autonomy of the local church to ordain and call who it feels led to call. If you have questions about our Baptist heritage, please contact a member of our staff.

Summer Book Club

Summer Book Club is back! We will meet again at 4pm on July 30 and August 27. Our July book is *The Mission-Minded Guide to Church and School Partnerships* by Jake McGlothlin. Get started reading it today so we can have a fruitful discussion to prepare us for our school partnership launch.

School Partnership Prayer Guide

As we prepare for our school partnerships with Dumbarton, Brookland, and Hermitage, we have a prayer guide available for you to pick up in the Welcome Center. Here are the topics for the month of July:

Week of July 2: Hermitage High School

Week of July 9: Vacation Bible School

Week of July 16: Teachers and Administrators

Week of July 23: Bus Drivers, Food Service Workers, Support Staff

Week of July 30: Extracurricular activities



Lamb's Basket Donations

A record 281 pounds of food were delivered to Lamb's Basket on June 13!! The summer is a critical time for food needs in our area as students are out of school. We encourage you to give generously towards our Lamb's Basket food collection. Food items can be placed in the armoire in the first floor hallway.

Out With the Old and In With the New!

Boiler replacement has begun. The 45 year old oil boiler is gone, and in its place are 2 new high efficiency gas boilers. Thank you for your generosity in making this happen.



Children's Ministry

Plans continue for an exciting Summer at Glen Allen Baptist - Sign up now so you don't miss the fun! Popsicles on the Playground is on July 18 from 3-4:30pm and VBS begins on July 9th. See you there!
Darie

GABC SUMMER KIDS

Popsicles on the Playground
3:00-4:30pm
June 13, June 27, July 18, August 8

Meet on the playground for play and fellowship. Planned activities will be available for anyone wanting to participate.

VBS!
Vacation Bible School
Ages 4yrs - 5th grade
Glen Allen Baptist Church
3028 Mountain Road
Glen Allen, VA 23060
Register at: tinyurl.com/GABCVBS2023

READY, SET, MOVE!
FOLLOW JESUS HERE, THERE, EVERYWHERE

July 9 (9:30-11:30am)
July 10-12 (5:30-7:30pm)
Supper provided - Monday-Wednesday

Children's Church
10:30 am Every Sunday following the children's sermon

To give our teachers a much deserved break, Children's Sunday School will not be meeting during the summer. Children's Sunday School will resume in the fall.

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Youth Ministry & Music News

This summer, the focus of youth ministry is on building community and getting to know each other. We kicked off the summer with a Party at the Pavilion and this week we went to Top Golf.

Here's what's coming up in July! I hope you will join us.

July 6 - Lunch and a Movie

July 27 - Flying Squirrels Game



ADVENTURES WITH ANN!!

Grab a friend
Pick a date
&
Choose your adventure

Eat at meal
Go to a Movie
Play Putt Putt
Go Swimming
Run around a Park
Get Ice Cream
Go to Starbucks
Hang out at the River

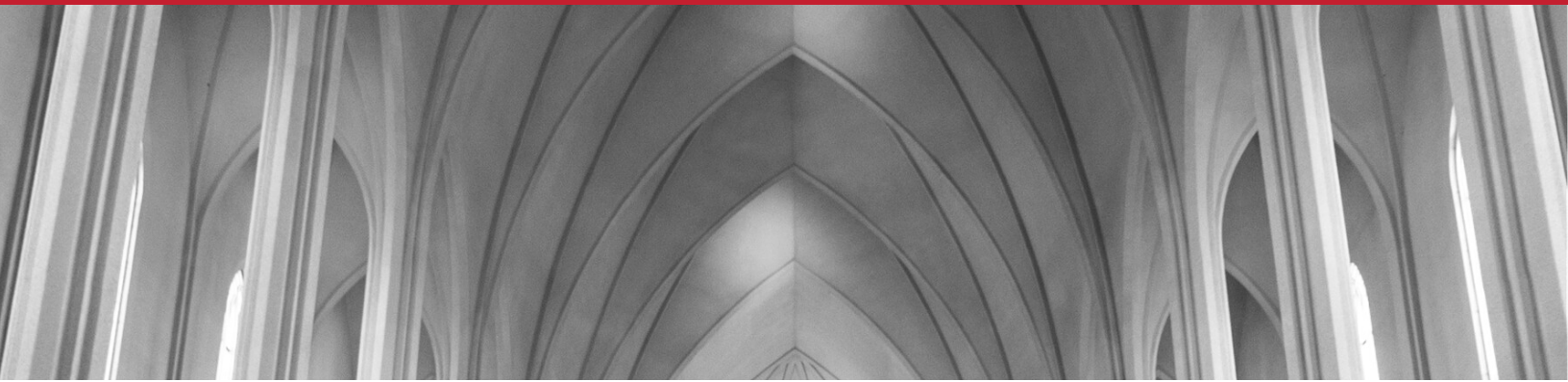
Don't forget to plan your very own Adventure with Ann! She's down for whatever you want to do.
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Summer Choir Rehearsal Schedule:

June 28 @ 6:45
July 26 after the fish fry & business mtg.
August 23 @ 7:30

Anyone is welcome to join us in our summer choir. You can even just join us on Sunday morning. Meet in the choir room at 10 - our summer music is simple enough to learn before worship!





Preaching Schedule:

- 7/2 *Genesis 22:1-14*
Ann Carter Preaching
- 7/9 *Hebrews 12:1-3*
Let Us Fix Our Eyes on Jesus
- 7/16 *Acts 17:16-34*
To A Known God
- 7/23 *Judges 2:7-23*
Failing to Tell the Story
- 7/30 *Judges 6-8*
From Fear to Fame to Failure

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Our Adult Sunday School classes continue to meet Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. throughout the summer. We would love for you to visit one of the classes listed below.

Genesis class continues its study of Jeremiah and Lamentations during the summer. In July the focus continues to be on Jeremiah. Personal Study Guides are available in the Genesis classroom, Room 311.

Ruth Fidelis Class' emphasis this month is "Tests, Trials, and Opportunities" from the book of Genesis. The lessons will be about Abraham and Isaac, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Esau, Jacob and the Lord, and Jacob and Laban. All women are welcome. This class meets in Room 312. We are excited that this class is growing!

Open Door Class will be studying "The Prophet Isaiah" in July. Scripture comes from the book of Isaiah. Open Door class meets in Room 305, and everyone is welcome.

We hope to see you! Come early for donuts and coffee or juice in the Welcome Center.

Lunch Bunch(es)

Our ladies continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 11:30am at O'Charley's on Brook Road. Contact Brenda Anderson if you have questions.

Thanks to Matt Davidson, our guys have also launched a lunch bunch at the same time. In July, they will meet on July 18 at 11:30am at Kitchen 33. Please contact Matt if you have any questions.