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APRIL YOUTH NEWS

LFW SPRING RETREAT — The ZBCY will be enjoying a spring retreat (Living Faith Weekend) to Banner Elk, NC, to the Old Greer House. We will leave on Friday, April 19 (after school) and return Sunday, April 21. The cost of the trip will be \$120. Please turn in money to Lauren or the church office.

PASSPORT 2024 — Passport is slowly getting closer and we are getting excited! For those that are signed up for Passport (July 7-12), **final payment of \$350 is due on Sunday, May 19**. We will also have a parents meeting in the Blue Room on Sunday, May 19, at 5:45 p.m. for all parents and youth attending Passport. We will go over important information, packing lists, and all the fun Passport activities to go along with this summer's theme. See Lauren with any questions.

TUESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We welcome all ladies to join us for Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in room D11. We will be using Bible studies in the *Nurturing Faith* magazine (available outside the Church Office on the literature rack). All weekly Bible studies are dated using the Sunday date, and each week we will be discussing the study dated the Sunday prior to our Tuesday meeting date. In April, we are studying passages from Acts as we read the following:

“Acts to Remember”

April 9 — Acts 4:32-35 — **True Community**

April 16 — Acts 3 — **Why the Surprise?**

April 23 — Acts 4:1-12 — **This Is the Way**

April 30 — Acts 8:26-40 — **What Hinders Me?**

We hope you will join us as your schedule allows for a time of Bible study, discussion, and fellowship.

APRIL 2024

Dear friends,

May the grace and peace that only comes from Jesus Christ be with you this Eastertide! Now that we have arrived on the other side of Jesus' resurrection, I pray that we can collectively enjoy a satisfying spiritual respite from our emotionally taxing journey through Lent. More importantly, however, I pray that we can continue embodying the joy of our salvation both when we are together at church, as well as when we are out and about in our community.

I'm reminded of Tertullian, the Carthaginian theologian and early church father. Writing around the turn of the third century, Tertullian campaigned for the toleration of Christianity as an officially sanctioned religion within the Roman Empire. Comparing how other sects perceived Christians, Tertullian wrote: “‘Look,’ they say, ‘how they [that is, Christians] love one another.’” Something of which I am in awe at Zebulon Baptist Church is the tangible love our congregation shares. Not only do you love one another deeply. You also love our community deeply.

Lent was a season in which we contemplated the promises of God, which essentially revealed that we are the recipients of a mercy we could not possibly deserve. And just as spring is quickly blossoming around us, creation calling us out to attend to its new life and beauty, we now have the opportunity to blossom in our ministry to our growing community, extending the mercy we have been given, and joyfully embracing our neighbors with the love of Christ you exhibit so well.

“Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.”

—1 John 4:7-8 (NRSV)

Blessings and Peace,

Rev. Ward Page

SUMMER 2024 YOUTH AND JUNIORS MISSION CAMPS FUNDRAISER

The Men's 1 (Fishers of Men Sunday School Class) is hosting a Fundraiser on April 27 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. to support the Summer 2024 Youth & Juniors Mission Camps. We will be selling Chopped BBQ Pints. Each pint is \$15, and pick-up will be in the front church parking lot. Please use the order form below to place your order or contact Justin Howell at jmhowell88@gmail.com.

Order Form Link:



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PASSPORT KIDS NEWS

For those third through sixth graders that have signed up and paid their deposit for Passport Kids this summer, it is almost meeting and balance due time! **On Sunday afternoon, May 19 at 5:00 p.m.** all kids and at least one parent must meet in the Blue Room to discuss all things Passport Kids. A balance of \$300 is due to Shannon by this date. If you have any questions, please see Shannon.

SENIOR ADULT MOVIE AT CHURCH TUESDAY, APRIL 16 AT 2:00 P.M.

On Tuesday, April 16, in our Fellowship Hall, our Senior Adults will enjoy watching the wonderful movie, A Man Called Otto. A lively young family moves in next door to a grumpy widower, Otto Anderson (Tom Hanks), and he meets his match in a quick-witted, pregnant woman named Marisol, leading to an unlikely friendship that turns his world upside down. The movie shows us that grief is part of life, community is important, and to find joy in living. Plan on gathering about 1:50 p.m. to get your popcorn, candy, and drinks. Let's go to the movies!

THE JUNIOR CHOIR PRESENTS: DR. NEWHEART'S NECK-UP CHECK-UP SUNDAY, APRIL 14 AT 6:00 P.M.

Our Junior Choir will present the musical, Dr. Newheart's Neck-Up Check-Up. This is a wonderful musical that shows us that we all need to take a spiritual physical check. I hope you plan to attend and support our Junior Choir (grades 4-7) on Sunday evening, April 14. Join us as we all take a Neck-Up Check-Up.



CHILDREN'S CHOIRS SINGING IN THE MONTH OF APRIL

April 14 — Morning Worship and Evening Musical — The Junior Choir
April 28 — Morning Worship — The Cherub Choir

LOOKING AHEAD TO MAY

Music Mates and Cherub Choir
End of the Year Program
Sunday evening, May 5, at 6:30 p.m. in our Sanctuary

VBS 2024

June 24-28, 2024



Zebulon Baptist Church is excited to welcome your children back this summer for Vacation Bible School. This summer we plan to have one session on June 24-28, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for rising Kindergarteners to rising Eighth graders.

Each day, campers will see Counselor Sam, a new camp counselor, face new challenges. With the help of Lu the Lightning Bug and the Camp Counselor Guidebook, Counselor Sam and our campers explore timeless Bible stories from both the Old and New Testament. These Bible stories will show how to put trust in

God in the face of one's own fears and how to do great things in God's name. Campers will participate in music, arts, recreation, snacks, activities, and Bible lessons to teach us to trust in God to go with us, lead the way, to share wisdom, to give peace, and to spark joy.

On Thursday evening, please plan to join us for a hotdog dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. After eating and fellowshiping, we will gather in the Sanctuary so that the children can share and show all that they have learned during the week.

Registration will open on May 1, 2024 on the church website (www.myzbc.org) and will be open until June 21, 2024. Please make sure to register your children during this time. If you have volunteered, please plan to meet on Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to receive your VBS materials. Please mark your calendars for Sunday, June 2, 2024 (in the Blue Room) for craft day. Craft day will commence right after worship with pizza for all volunteers and last for as long as needed. Please bring all ideas! If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Robertson at erobertson6207@aol.com or Shannon Speller at Shannon.speller@myzbc.org,

"Whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in you." (Psalm 56:3)