

8:30 AND 10:45 AM

AUGUST 17, 2008

VINEVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
Alice Ridgeway, pianist; Dr. Ann Caldwell, organist
Vineville Instrumental Ensemble, Kelly Graves, director
The Worship of God

Welcome Rev. Jeff Allred

Music for Meditation *Like a River Glorious* arr. Ham

*Hymn 39 *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* MARION
Children are invited to gather at the front as we sing the final stanza

Children's Sermon Lisa Allred

Ministry of Music *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken* arr. McMichael
Joanna Pepple and Katheryne Richardson

Sermon Scripture Luke 8:26-39 Dr. Walter Shurden
Pages 1228 in the pew Bible
This is the Word of God
Thanks be to God

*Hymn 411 *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* TRUST IN JESUS

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Dr. Ed Corson

Offertory *His Eye Is On the Sparrow* arr. Sorenson

Ministry of Music *I Am His and He Is Mine* arr. Wright

Sermon **One of the Greatest Joys of All** Dr. Shurden

*Hymn of Response 605 *Because I Have Been Given Much* SEMINARY

Benediction

Postlude *Toccata in G Major* Pachelbel

**Congregation Standing*

The flowers in the sanctuary today are in honor of Bill Hardee on the occasion of his birthday, August 18, and for his love and faithfulness to Vineville Baptist Church.

From the Pastor. . .

Welcome our Neighbor—We are pleased once again to welcome Dr. Walter Shurden to the pulpit of Vineville. “Buddy” (as he is known by his friends) and his wonderful wife,

Dr. Kay Shurden, have had a remarkable journey. Each has excelled in their own areas of calling and expertise—Buddy in preaching and teaching and Kay in Marriage and Family Therapy and as a teacher, author, and speaker. They have three grown children and six growing grandchildren.

Dr. Shurden has authored or edited 15 books and published numerous articles. One of the great passions that has driven his writings has been affirming and applying our Baptist distinctives in our present time of cultural change. Dr. Shurden is the founding executive director of the Center for Baptist Studies at Mercer University. He taught at McMaster Divinity College (1965-66) in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada; served as pastor of the First Baptist Church (1966-69) in Ruston, Louisiana; was Professor of Religion at Carson-Newman College (1969-1976), Jefferson City, Tennessee; was Professor of Church History (1976-1983) and Dean of the School of Theology (1980-1983) at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

It is a rare treat to welcome someone of Dr. Shurden's stature to the pulpit of Vineville Baptist Church. Today, he builds on our theme of creating a healthy church.

Empowering the Church—This fall, our emphasis is on building a healthy church. Dream with me throughout this series what a healthy church looks like. A full listing of sermons is found on the internet. Today, we are reminded that our health is in some measure dependent upon the actions and gifts of each one of us.

For Your Information—There may be a number of members in our church who would like to speak with Johnathan Gray, a representative of the Georgia Baptist Foundation. Johnathan has helped us with numerous endowment issues and will be present on Wednesday, August 20 from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. If you would like to schedule a time, contact Ginny Ferguson at the church office or you may speak with Charles Jay.

Old Testament Survey—One of the great ironies of our time is how much we study the Bible, but see often only a very selective cross-section of ideas which apply to us. We often need someone to help us dig deeper and see things we had overlooked. As part of our effort to deepen our faith, we have asked Dr. Rick Wilson to lead us in a survey of the Old Testament. The classes will be held beginning Sunday, September 7 from 4:00–6:00 p.m. The classes will be held each Sunday through October 26 (with the exception of October 12). The 7th session will cover the Apocrapha—a collection of 14 books not in Protestant Bibles but which deal with events from the end of the Old Testament period to the birth of Jesus.

Fall Church Conference—We will hold our time of reporting this Wednesday, August 20, at 6:45 p.m. in the Activities Building.

MEN'S MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP—TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2008 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE ACTIVITIES BUILDING. Join us as we resume our fellowship after the summer break. To purchase your ticket, please see Greg Winters. We hope to see you there!

LADIES—BUSY? TIRED? FEELING DISCONNECTED FROM GOD AND OTHERS? Come and enjoy continental breakfast and coffee from Joshua Cup on Saturday, September 20 from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon in the Activities Building. Our conference leader, Joy McHale will inspire us to *stay connected*. Tickets are only \$5.00 and are available for purchase now. See Candace Fry or Lynn Collier.

FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES—The Adults on Mission have been collecting school supplies and are continuing to do so. All teachers of public and private schools may come by the church office and pick up any items for their own use in their classrooms. Hopefully all supplies will be claimed within the next two weeks. This is our way of saying "thank you" to all of our teachers for all you do for our children!

Mid-State Baptist Association Senior Adult Banquet, Thursday, September 11, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. in the Activities Building. Tickets may be paid for at the church office until September 3.

REPORT- Sunday, August 10

ATTENDANCE

Bible Study	373
8:30 Worship	153
10:45 Worship	314

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Gifts	\$24,463
Budget Gifts (YTD)	\$645,741
Budget Required (YTD)	\$731,066
YTD% Budget Giving	88.3%
Following Christ 2 (YTD)	\$ 22,426

THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

8:30 AM Worship
9:15 AM Media Library
9:35 AM Bible Study
10:45 AM Worship
4:00 PM Youth Choir
5:00 PM Youth Supper
5:30 PM Youth Bible Study

MONDAY, AUGUST 18

9:00 AM Fall Bazaar Meeting

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

9:00 AM Mothers' Morning Out
10:00 AM WMU Prayer Group
10:30 AM Yoga/Stretching Class

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

9:00 AM Media Library
5:30 PM Vineville Brass
5:30 PM Children's Choirs
5:45 PM Family Night Supper
6:15 PM Media Library

6:20 PM Mission Friends
6:30 PM Youth Bible Study
6:35 PM Kingdom Kids
6:45 PM Church Conference
7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

9:00 AM Mothers' Morning Out
10:30 AM Yoga/Stretching Class
12:00 PM XYZ Luncheon

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

8:30 AM Worship
9:15 AM Media Library
9:35 AM Bible Study
10:45 AM Worship
4:00 PM Youth Choir
5:00 PM Youth Supper
5:30 PM Youth Bible Study