

8:30 AND 10:45 AM

AUGUST 31, 2008

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

The Worship of God

Welcome Dr. Bill Hardee

Music for Meditation *Meditation on ASH GROVE* Melissa Kuipers

*Hymn 3 *Worthy of Worship* JUDSON
Children are invited to gather at the front as we sing the final stanza

Children's Sermon Dr. Hardee

Sermon Scripture Acts 3:1-10 Dr. Hardee
Pages 1296 in the pew Bible

This is the Word of God
Thanks be to God

*Hymn 531 *Redeemed* ADA

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Jane Hardee

Offertory *Jesus Paid It All* arr. McDonald

Ministry of Music *I Stand Amazed* arr. Schwoebel

Sermon **What Do You Have to Give?** Dr. Hardee

Celebration of Communion

*Hymn of Response 345 *Now I Belong to Jesus* ELLSWORTH

Benediction

Postlude *Prelude in C Major* Luebeck

**Congregation Standing*

The flowers in the sanctuary today are in memory of David Howington, given by his wife, Dot Howington, and his children, Deryl and Dan Amoss, Tony and Brenda Howington, Dianne and Kent Shalibo, and his grandchildren.

From the Pastor. . .

Lord's Supper—Today, we celebrate the Lord's Supper. At Vineville, all who seek to follow Christ as the One who directs your path is welcomed to share in the bread and the cup regardless of your church affiliation. Eat, Drink, and Remember.

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 our website. Today, we are reminded of that our health is dependent upon the willingness of each member to look at their own lives. What are the gifts entrusted to us which, added to all the other gifts, will create vitality and life? Certainly, our presence in worship and Bible study sends a remarkable message of encouragement to those who lead us and to those who gather each week. We also, however, bring certain interests and passion and longings to serve which can energize our work, allow creativity to surface and prepare a place for God to express his own presence in our midst.

The Sea of Galilee flourishes because it both receives and gives. The Dead Sea is devoid of life because it receives, but cannot give. For life to flow through us, it must genuinely be a flow “through” us in an outward course to bless the people and places around us.

Men's Ministry—Our Men's Ministry will meet Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. Purchase your tickets today.

Vineville Legacy Society—To date, 46 members have returned *signed forms* committing them to be Charter Members of the Vineville Legacy Society. While numerous individuals have given to the Endowment Fund, **only those submitting signed forms are part of the Vineville Legacy Society**. A dinner to honor those committing has been set for October 20. If you intend to be a charter member, please submit your signed commitment by Sunday, September 7. In order to insure the proper number of gifts and to prepare for the banquet, we need to set a cut-off date for those participating. ***To be a charter member, you must have your signed commitment forms in by next Sunday.***

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, Chair of the Christianity Department at Mercer University, 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. Childcare will be provided.

MISSION OPPORTUNITY—One of our local church missions is Habitat. Only donations to the local Macon Habitat are available for local building. In September, Macon Habitat is organizing a 2008 Fall Faith Build that involves many Macon churches. Habitat does not build until they have a suitable family for the home. The family must

completely purchase the home before it belongs to them. Habitat would like for prospective participating church members to fill out a form that denotes your skills and availability. Lunch provided by a class would also be an option. Forms will be available on the tables outside the sanctuary. A drop box for completed forms is on the table outside the Media Library.

THE MID-STATE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SENIOR ADULT BANQUET will be held Thursday, September 11 at 5:00 p.m. in the Activities Building. Tickets may be paid for at the church office until September 3. *Don't miss it!*

NEED HELP FOR MISSION FAIR—Vineville Baptist Church has been involved in an astonishing number of mission efforts, including trips to Morningstar and Zimbabwe, disaster relief trips to Mississippi and a host of local projects such as Habitat for Humanity and A Becoming Sight.

The Missions/Benevolence Committee would like to feature your efforts in a Missions Fair in the fall, shortly before the International Missions Bazaar.

We need help with the following:

- information on who has gone on mission trips
- copies of pictures you would be willing to donate for the display boards, including the kind of work you've done and people you helped
- people willing to discuss their experiences during the fair

If you would be willing to supply any of the above items, please send an email to clincoln@vbcmacon.org or bgreenhaw@vbcmacon.org, or drop them by the library.

We will see you at the Missions Fair!

THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

- 8:30 AM Worship
- 9:15 AM Media Library
- 9:35 AM Bible Study
- 10:45 AM Worship

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

~ LABOR DAY HOLIDAY ~ CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

- 10:00 AM WMU Lead Team
- 10:30 AM Yoga/Stretching Class
- 6:30 PM Men's Ministry Fellowship

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

- 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
6:50 PM Family Worship
7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

10:30 AM Yoga/Stretching Class

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

9:00 AM Mothers' Morning Out

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

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

REPORT- Sunday, August 24

ATTENDANCE

Bible Study	368
8:30 Worship	146
10:45 Worship	296

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Gifts	\$13,508
Budget Gifts (YTD)	\$698,403
Budget Required (YTD)	\$776,758
YTD% Budget Giving	89.9%
Following Christ 2 (YTD)	\$ 22,764