

CHILDREN'S CORNER

AWANAs concluded on Wednesday, May 18th with a total enrollment of 49 students who had been in the program during part or all of the 2021-2022 school year. All students received awards for completion of the program, with many other accolades bestowed for the completion of their books and memorized Scripture verses. The Kids Summer Club will replace AWANAs until it resumes in the fall after Labor Day. This program will occur at the same place and time (the Kay Building), Wednesdays from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm, with the last day falling on August 31st. Vacation Bible School is right around the corner! From Tuesday, June 7th to Friday, June 10th, children from 4 years old to 5th grade are invited to "*Sparks Studio*" where they will learn about how they were created in Christ and designed for God's purpose. This event is free to all children in the community. Unlike in previous years, Friday's session will *not* last all day – although families are encouraged to return at 6:30 pm for parents' night, regular VBS events will last from 8:30 am to noon each day.

Our beloved nursery worker of many years, D'Aun Divine, retired from her position and served her last day on the inside of the nursery on May 25th. She is eager to begin attending church services and support the children from the other side of the nursery. Additional help has arisen to serve in the nursery, but as our church grows, extra support is always welcome, as it allows our nursery personnel the opportunity to occasionally attend Sunday or Wednesday services themselves. We are always blessed by the excitement your children bring, their eagerness to learn, and their good-natured willingness to include newcomers and guests. Thank you for the prayers and support.

Children's Ministry Team

Happy Father's Day!

Ephesians 6:4

"Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger,
but bring them up in the
discipline and instruction of the Lord."

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 1 Mid-week Services: Prayer Meeting, Adult Bible Study, Kids Summer Club, 6:00 PM
Safe Church certification, 6:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall
Choir Practice, 7:30 PM
- June 2 WMU, 10:00 AM
Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 AM
- June 6 VBS Workday
- June 7-10 Vacation Bible School, 8:30 AM—12N daily
- June 12 Building & Grounds Committee, 12 N
- June 13 Budget & Finance Committee, 5:00 PM
Deacons Meeting, 6:00 PM
- June 14 Precept Bible Study, 10:00 AM
- June 15 Mid-week Services: Prayer Meeting, Adult Bible Study, Youth, Kids Summer Club, 6:00 PM
Choir Practice, 7:30 PM
Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 AM
- June 16 **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**
- June 19 Precept Bible Study, 1:00 PM
- June 21 Mid-week Services: Prayer Meeting, Adult Bible Study Youth, Kids Summer Club, 6:00 PM
Choir Practice, 7:30 PM
- June 22 Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 AM
- June 23 M-3 Youth Camp @ Highland Lakes
- June 27-July 1 Precept Bible Study, 1:00 PM
- June 28 Mid-week Services: Prayer Meeting, Adult Bible Study, Kids Summer Club, 6:00 PM, *No Youth*
Choir Practice, 7:30 PM
- June 29 Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 AM
- June 30 Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 AM



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**MISSION STATEMENT: WE
DESIRE TO HONOR GOD BY
LEADING PEOPLE TO BECOMING
FULLY DEVOTED**



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A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

I can still smell it, taste it, feel it with my little red headed childhood memory... grape kool-aid and cookies, popsicle crosses, red-rover red-rover let the little red-headed curly top come over, and “if the devil doesn’t like it he can sit on a tac.” Oh boy, did we think we were being edgy with that terrible “tac.” I don’t know what we thought that “tac” was gonna’ do to the evil one, but we sang it with vigor. And then with the four cord, “da-da, da-da,” we’d sit down like we’d done our part to quell the demon for the Summer so we could get on with fruit basket turn over, and being a “Sunbeam” for God. And if you have one clue to what I’m talking about you just aged yourself... you must be at least over 60. Sorry about that! But pretty nostalgic stuff! Right?

I have such vivid memories of Vacation Bible School growing up in “Mayberry-esk” Kyle, Texas. Our poor exhausted moms would send us off to every VBS available in town just to get us out of their harried way for a few days, and who could blame them. We didn’t have technology to babysit us... nor much past a fuzzy black and white tv to try to tune into. So we did Bible School, and we learned about Jesus and the B-I-B-L-E and making stuff out of craft sticks and white glue. And if we were real good at it we would get a gold foil star for showing up. It all sounds pretty trivial, simple and maybe even a bit silly, but I assure you it’s not. Not any more so than planting a little tiny seed in the dirt, then watering it, and sheltering it, making sure nothing digs it up, or some grub worm doesn’t come along and eat it. Over time that tiny seed you placed in the dirt grows into a fruit bearing plant that can pass its seed on to others.

That’s the stuff of VBS, and don’t discount what God does with the seeds planted... some become Sunday School teachers, some deacons, or leaders in the church. Some become preachers like me, or missionaries, or evangelists. You never know what watering them with a little “grape kool-aid” can do! No, really! Don’t underestimate the life-shaping and potentially life-changing nature of how God uses VBS! It’s real! I know! I’ve seen it... experienced it!

We are going to have VBS again this year, and this is the month. Start praying now for every little life that will cross the threshold of our church, that God might plant seeds, and grow seeds and produce a great crop for His kingdom through VBS. And pray for each one of those who will be investing in the

lives of these children, for wisdom, patience, and clarity in pointing these young lives to Jesus. Vacation Bible School is June 7-10, from 8:30 a.m. to noon daily. For more information or to help you can contact the church office, or one of our VBS directors, Joyce Roach, 512-431-2773 or Nancy Johnson, 512-739-5701. We are going to have Vacation Bible School and if the devil doesn’t like it he can sit on a tac! Ha! Pray for VBS!
God bless you, Bro. Buddy

YOUTH NEWS—REMIND+

“Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.” – James 5:13-18 ESV.

I am always so blown away by the generosity of this church. I am so honored and proud to be serving in a place that time in and time out steps up to the plate to give out of the overflow of their heart for the work of the Lord. From the bottom of my heart, I would like to thank each and every individual that gave to help our students and their families send them to camp this summer. Thank you, thank you, may the Lord use your financial blessing to shape and mold these students this summer into the likeness of Christ.

For the remainder of this article I ask for another offering from the people of the church, but one that is of much more value than money. I am asking for the saints of this church to remember our students as they go before the King of glory in prayer. This passage in James is so rich with truth about the power of prayer, and knowing the heart of our church; the prayers on behalf of my students will be honored by our Lord. I firmly believe God is going to do some great things this summer in the lives of our students. I also believe the Lord is not just simply inviting us as a church to be a part of that, but through our prayers and pleas this will happen. Thank you all so much, may the Lord bless you and keep you. **Trey**

MUSIC NOTES

It’s **summer!!!** Finally. The choir is going to be working on a 4th of July special. It would be a great time to join our **AMAZING** adult choir. Come join us Wednesday nights right after Bible Study. **In His name, Nancy**

WMU

The WMU is introducing a new ministry, “Tabitha’s Sewing”. We are looking for anyone interested in sewing dresses and skirts to donate to TruChoice Pregnancy Resource Center. All items will be cut out and ready to sew with all accessories and instructions included. Please contact Andree Brunk by text at 512-522-0130 or by e-mail at andree@austin.rr.com. Please be in prayer as we start this new adventure.

We will have another project coming in the next few weeks. Thank you for always supporting our mission endeavors. WMU meets the first Thursday of each month. We would love to have more ladies come join us!



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