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Warrenton Baptist Newsletter

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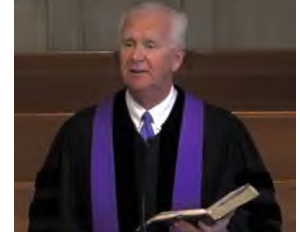
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Imagination and Faith

Imagine! We cannot have faith unless we have imagination. Imagination is the vehicle through which faith is expressed. Imagination is the fuel in the engine of every inventor, every explorer, every entrepreneur, and every creative genius. Imagination also fuels every child of God - we dare to imagine a better life filled with meaning, purpose and hope. We dare to imagine a new and glorious world coming, and also to envision what this present world might look like if we respond to it with love, generosity and compassion.



Truett Cathy was a man with that kind of imagination. The founder of **Chick-fil-A** began with imagination and \$10,600 in 1946 when he opened his first restaurant just outside Atlanta. Now the **Chick-fil-A** name is recognized around the world as a symbol of success. Cathy viewed success much differently than most. As I was cleaning out some files, I ran across a speech Cathy delivered before he died. "Most people think success is measured in dollars, but it's not," Cathy said. "I believe success is when we seek the Lord's will and become what He has created us to become. The Lord desires for every one of us to be successful. I think we were all created for success, which is why we all want to leave something noteworthy behind on earth. I believe we are truly successful when we become what He has made us to become and through that we bring Him glory and honor."

Cathy's Christian commitment led him to become a model of generosity and philanthropy - establishing children's homes, funding scholarships and providing funding for numerous worthy causes internationally. His heart and spirit are captured in the organization's mission statement that hangs at the corporate headquarters: "To glorify God by being a faithful steward of all that is entrusted to us. To have a positive influence on all who come in contact with **Chick-fil-A**." Another statement follows: "To live out our purpose and honor Truett's legacy, we are focused on creating a culture of care, both at the Support Center and our restaurants."

Imagine the difference we could make in Warrenton and Warren County if we lived with that kind of spirit!

With gratitude and deep affection for you,

Dr. A. Richard Childress

Highlighting Sunday School

Dear Friends in Christ:

Warrenton Baptist Church and all of the Christian community are currently in the midst of one of the most sacred and meaningful seasons of our faith. It is the season of Lent when we as Christians are encouraged to reflect and seek forgiveness as we prepare to celebrate Jesus's Resurrection and Easter.

Attending church services and participating in Bible Study are ways to enrich our faith life. We would like to invite you to join us for Sunday School on Sunday mornings. Warrenton Baptist has a history of active Sunday School classes to include the Euzelian Class, the Allen Bible Class, the Couples Class and Children's classes. Last fall a decision was made to combine all adult Sunday School classes into one class and it was felt by those attending that choosing a new class name was in order. The name chosen is The Pilgrim Class, with the thought that we are all pilgrims on a journey to grow as Christians and serve the Lord.

Sunday School fosters fellowship with church members, taking advantage of mission opportunities as well as sharing prayer requests and needs of the community. In-depth Bible study allows us to continue to learn and discover the many insights and lessons provided in God's Holy Word. We can all find strength and the love of God for the past, present and future by studying his word.

Please prayerfully consider joining us on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM and making Sunday School a part of your weekly worship experience.

Blessings always,

The Pilgrim Sunday School Class
Warrenton Baptist Church

Romans 15:4 NIV

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

LET'S CELEBRATE TOGETHER!

During worship on April 23, we will celebrate 174 years of ministry as the Warrenton Baptist Church, with former pastor Dr. Jody C. Wright preaching. We look forward to the gathering of our church family and friends for worship at 11:00 a.m, and the catered lunch to follow.

Please pass the word and invitation for this time of celebration and notify the church office of your plan to be present for the meal. A **sign-up sheet** will be available on the counter in the **church office**, or you may notify by leaving a message on the church voice mail at **252-257-3130**, or by email at warrentonbaptistchurch1849@gmail.com or by U. S. Mail at **226 N. Main Street, Warrenton, NC 27589**.

Please give your name and the number of persons attending, including yourself, and notify by **Sunday, April 2**.

Easter Sunrise Celebration

Dr. Richard Childress will lead a sunrise service in the Allen Carpenter Prayer Garden on Easter Sunday at 7:00 AM. Please invite friends in the community to join us for this time of celebrating the Resurrection. Remember to bring a lawn chair.

Following the service, we will gather in the fellowship hall for coffee, juice, sausage biscuits, and pastries, hosted by the Brotherhood.

2023 April Lectionary

2023 April Calendar of Events

- 4-2 Liturgy of the Palms/Passion**
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Matthew 21:1-11
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54
- 4-9 Easter Sunday/Resurrection of the Lord**
Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10
- 4-16 Second Sunday of Easter**
Acts 2:14a, 22-32
Psalm 16
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31
- 4-23 Third Sunday of Easter**
Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35
- 4-30 Fourth Sunday of Easter**
Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

- 4-2 Palm Sunday/Communion**
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
Deacons' Meeting Following Worship
- 4-5 Lenten Service**
11:30 AM Oak Chapel AME
- 4-9 Easter Sunday**
7:00 AM Sunrise Service
Allen Carpenter Prayer Garden
Fellowship and pastries to follow
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
- 4-16 Second Sunday of Easter**
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
Quarterly Conference Following Worship
- 4-23 Third Sunday of Easter**
174th Anniversary/Homecoming
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
Catered Lunch Following Worship
- 4-30 Fourth Sunday of Easter**
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
- Every Wednesday**
9:00 AM Lectionary Discussion

2023 Calendar For Sanctuary Flowers

Shown below is the calendar for placing flowers in the sanctuary for worship, with open spaces indicated for reserving a time. You may use the flowers for two Sundays in succession. If the Sunday you wish to reserve falls during Lent, please reserve it and we welcome your flowers in place of greenery. Please direct any questions to Michelle Bugg, 252-213-2075.

Date	Communion	Name	Name	Name	Name
Apr	2-Communion - Palm Sunday (palms)	9-Easter Sunday (lilies)	16-Christy Serls	23-Christy Serls	30-Christy Serls (3)
May	7-Communion	14-Lea Hamilton	21-Walter Gardner	28-Walter Gardner	
June	4-Communion Walter Gardner	11-Cathy Gardner	18-Cathy Gardner	25-	

Remember In Prayer & Ministry

Last Update 3-31-2023

In Town and Near By:

Jimmy Allen, 637 Robinson Ferry Road, Macon, NC 27551
Mike Aycock, 1971 US Hwy 401 S
William Brannock, 672 Limertown Rd.
Joy Burnside, Robert Burnside's mother, 128 Battle Ave
Margie Clayton, Coventry House Inn Rm 4, 20 Medical Court, Henderson, NC 27536
Tom Hardy, 222 Fairview St
Karla Hehl, 210 N. Bragg St.
Phyllis and Earl King, 118 Dogwood Acres Rd
Larry Lynch, 420 Rodwell St
Luke McCullough, 316 N Main St.
Ethan Neal, 218 Anderson Creek Rd, Henderson, NC 27536
Norma and Dennis Retzlaff, 109 Battle Ave.
Harrison West, 351 Hwy 4, Littleton, NC 27850
Ann Duncan Wilson, PO Box 8, Macon, NC 27551
Donald Wimbrow, PO Box 533, Norlina, NC 27563



Out Of Area:

Bryan B. Burnside, Robert Burnside's father, Rice, VA
Wayne Jenkins, 3064 NC Hwy. 35, Woodland, NC 27897
Emily Johnson, Dogwood Village, West Wing Rm 20, 120 Dogwood Lane, Orange, VA 22960
Seth McCullen, Shepherd Center 2020 Peachtree Rd NW, Atlanta, GA 30309
Myra Johnson Powell, 4616 Pinehurst Dr, Wilson, NC 27896
Jason Taylor, 12184 Taylor Store Rd, Nashville, NC 27856
Keith Tharrington, Selma's son, 455 Buggs Island Rd., Boynton, VA 23917
Mary Lillian White, 25351 Settlers Mill, Magnolia, TX 77355

Happy Birthday

Anne Edmonds	4
Jimmy Harris	4
Pam Reavis	4
Kelly Cronk	5
Jan Harris	6
Tina Neal	7
Mitzi Vaughan	7
Smitty Bugg	11
Gary Vaughan	11
Ryann Thompson	19
Debbe Speer	20



Expressing Our Sympathy

We continue to remember the family and friends of church members and relatives who have passed away in recent weeks:

Susan Gardner Creed, March 8
Victoria Wright Limer, March 9
Harriett Owens Allen, March 22

Warren County Habitat for Humanity

Consider volunteering at the Warren County Habitat for Humanity Resale Store, located on Hwy 158 just beyond Macon. The store is open on Tuesdays, 9-11 AM; and Saturdays, 8:30 AM to 1 PM. Visit during these times to leave your name and phone number.

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