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THE VENTURES

# TEA TIME WITH TIM

**Timothy Peoples** 

We are back!

I cannot believe summer is already over. For some of you, you are beyond grateful that summer is over and your routine is back to normal. I hope you add in your weekly routine "Wednesdays in The Wood." We have added a new time to the mix. Connect through the Traditional Bible Study at 12pm or 4:30 pm, around the tables with the Fellowship Meal at 5:30 pm and/or the Topical Bible Study at 6:30 pm. In the Traditional Study we will pick up where we left off ... Deuteronomy! For the Topical Bible Study, we will be looking at *Making Sense of the Bible* by Adam Hamilton and asking "Deep Questions." Please let us know if you plan to come so that we can order enough books.

In Making Sense of the Bible, Adam Hamilton invites us into an honest conversation about the Bible. The book begins with foundational questions such as, How and When was the Bible written? Who decided which books made it into the scriptures and why? How literally must we read it? And, Is the Bible ever wrong?

From there, Hamilton considers the real questions people frequently ask that continue to divide Christians and denominations alike, including:

- Were Adam and Eve real people?
- Why is God so violent in the Old Testament?
- Why would Paul command women to "keep silent in the church"?
- Is Jesus the only way to salvation?
- Gender and Sexuality
- Is the Book of Revelation a guide to the End Times?

In approachable and inviting language, Hamilton addresses these often-misunderstood biblical themes leading readers to a deeper appreciation of the Bible so that we might hear God speak through it and find its words to be life-changing and lifegiving.



# WEDNESDAYS IN THE 'WOOD



Friends. Fellowship. Faith. Beginning Wednesday, September 11 Choose a time that is best for your schedule.

### **MISSION NEWS**

In an effort to find more ways for more people to be the Church outside of the walls of this building, the Mission Team has been hard at work trying to plan new and creative service opportunities each month. We recognize that not every mission opportunity speaks to or fits in everyone's schedule, but we want to offer on-ramps to mission for everyone who attends and is connected to the church. If we say we are going to be a church that exists to love God and love our neighbor, then we actually have to enter into the work of loving our neighbors with our actions. Some months will be more labor intensive while some opportunities will be more relationship heavy. We will still have our ongoing service opportunities (West End Community Meal on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month, Food Pantry on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month resuming in November, etc...) but we will also be adding some other types of service at other times. Maybe the typical times and dates haven't worked for you but you want to find ways to be more involved in the work of the Church, that is the goal of this new approach. We will have a bulletin board in the Gathering Area with monthly opportunities to serve and I am always available via email and phone if you have a place you want us to add into our volunteer rotation or desire to get more involved.

The first of these opportunities will be the **Food Drop** we are hosting for the 2nd Harvest Food Bank. We are in need of 25 volunteers to be here on **Thursday**, **September 19 and 26** (you do not have to commit to both weeks if one works better than the other). The jobs will range from relationship heavy greeting families and directing parking/traffic to labor intensive loading and moving of food boxes. This will happen from 3:00 - 5:30 pm on those Thursday afternoons. We are expecting 200 families, so we are definitely in need of many volunteers to work alongside the Food Bank staff. We will also have 2 dates in October for the Food Drop as well. If you would like to plan ahead, join us on October  $3^{rd}$  and/or  $17^{th}$ .



## A WORD FROM NEVERLAND

Vespers are back!

We are excited to welcome the new 6<sup>th</sup> graders as we dive into our weekly worship and fellowship time. We will be on a regular schedule each month from 6-8pm on Sunday evenings. This year we will be studying biblical themes as we also welcome special guests each month for Faith Story interviews. We will take the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday off each month. Be sure to join us and mark your calendars!

September 8<sup>th</sup> - Vespers Kick-off September 15<sup>th</sup> – Vespers September 22<sup>nd</sup> - No Vespers\* September 29<sup>th</sup> – Vespers October 6<sup>th</sup> – Vespers

October 13<sup>th</sup> – Vespers October 20<sup>th</sup> – Vespers October 27<sup>th</sup> – No Vespers\* November 3<sup>rd</sup> - Vespers November 10<sup>th</sup> - Vespers November 17<sup>th</sup> - Vespers November 24<sup>th</sup> –No Vespers\*

December 1 – Vespers December 8 - Vespers December 15 - Vespers December 22 – No Vespers\* December 29 – No Vespe

all for

\*= 4th Sunday rest Night

I am excited to jump back into our weekly time together. See you Soon!

#### Caleb Foust

# CHILDREN'S CHATTER

As impossible as it is to believe – once again, it is school time. I hope you and your families had an easy transition back into the swing of things! We had a great summer at EBC! We sponsored 3 Family Adventure Sundays where we explored how we were Created to Create, by the Master Creator. Jim Trammell, Pastor Timothy and I took six 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders (all boys!) to Converse College for PassPort Kids camp. A great time was had by all, and we came back with wonderful shared experiences and a few new dance moves! Our EBC night at City Lake Pool in August was a highlight for sure. Families were able to swim and play to their hearts delight! A big shout out to Karen Gilbert for being the bravest Grandma ever – as she took some turns down the big water slide!

**Promotion Sunday is September 8**<sup>th</sup>. We will recognize our third graders who will be presented with their Adventure Bibles, and we will honor our 6<sup>th</sup> graders who will be moving on to Youth (Don't mind me – I am just over here crying in the corner....)

**September 11<sup>th</sup> marks our return to Wednesday night activities**, with our annual Children's Ministry Welcome Back party during the 6:30 hour. (Dinner starts at 5:30, with Adult Topical Studies at 6:30)

On Sunday mornings in September (9:00 am) we will be doing an in depth series on the Bible -

- Where did it come from?
- What is it made up of?
- How do we use it?
- Why should we read it?

This will be a great introduction to basic Bible information and skills – hope to see your kids there! In October, we will move to alternating rotation of Godly Play and a more traditional type of Sunday school curriculum. If you are interested in teaching either of these disciplines this fall, please let me know!

Be a child of the light...

### ADMINISRATIVE VOLUNTEERS

Good Morning, Emerywood Baptist! Reception, stuffing and labeling envelopes, filing, and more! If you would like to know more about lending a hand (or two!), contact Lisa. <u>lbishop@emerywoodbaptist.org</u> 336-885-6016, ext 29





# MUSIC NOTES

It is an exciting time for music at Emerywood!

#### Recently our choir has welcomed two new section leaders, both men!

**Dave Wils**, bass, is a 2005 graduate of Grand Valley State University in Michigan where he briefly minored in music and sang bass in the University Arts Chorale. With a mother who was a church musician, Dave has been singing all his life, particularly in musical theatre around the Triad. His most recent credits on the stage include Frederick Frankenstein in CTG's production of Young Frankenstein, Anselmo in Little Theatre of Winston-Salem's production of Man of La Mancha, and Actor 5/Siegfried in LTWS' production of Das Barbecü. After teaching for 5 years with Guilford County Schools, he will begin grad school full time this fall as a North Carolina Principal Fellow at UNCG where he will earn his Masters of School Administration. He lives in Winston-Salem with his wife, Amanda.

**Lucas Johnston**, tenor, is an Eagle Scout from Mooresville N.C. He earned his bachelors from Mars Hill and masters from Erskine Theological Seminary in Church Music. He currently works for the BSA at the Scout Store. He sings with UNCG's opera program and the Greensboro Opera Company in their choirs and occasional make props for them. Lucas and his wife have lived in The Greensboro area for 9 years. We are expecting our first child in December.

As summer comes to a close, we are naturally 'coming back' from summer time. This is a wonderful opportunity to join the choir. Beginning September 11, our rehearsals will be on Wednesdays at 7:20 pm in the choir room. ALL are welcome.



Gueet J. Sanke

### The Majesty and Glory of Your Name

When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of your fingers The moon and stars suspended in space. What is man, that you are mindful of him? You have given man a crown of glory and honor, And have made him a little lower than the angels. You have put him in charge of all creation: The beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea. But what is man that you are mindful of him? O Lord, our God the majesty and glory of your name Transcends the earth and fills the heavens. O Lord, our God, little children praise you perfectly, And so would we. Alleluia.

### SENIOR ADULTS





The Back to School bag lunch (catered) includes a sandwich, pasta salad, brownie, and chips. \$6. (pay at the door) Sign up in the Gathering Area. **RSVP by Wednesday, September 4.** Please remember, if you make a reservation you will be asked to pay, as the lunch is prepared based on this information.

FALL KICKOFF

Tuesday, September 10 at 11:45 am

#### Mission action:

Bring Kleenex for Northwood Elementary School



This spirited group of women is redefining age with their routines that are full of fun and joy.

Please note that there is not a lunch meeting in October or November, as we have outings planned. Save the date for the holiday event: Tuesday, December 3

#### BEST OF THE BLUE RIDGE

Thursday, October 3

Enjoy the beautiful fall color, lunch at Shatley Springs, tours of the local Frescos, Ashe County Art Center, and the Cheese Factory. We will have room for 25 on the church van/bus. (No carpooling) Get your spot now!!

Menu is the famous Shatley Springs Family Style Country meal featuring country ham, fried chicken, six vegetables, gravy, drink and dessert. **<u>RSVP due Wednesday, September 25</u>** Cost at the restaurant: \$18.95 + gratuity / Transportation: \$5 (pay on the bus)

#### THE REAL CHRISTMAS STORY

Sunday, November 10



Immediately following worship, we travel to Fort Mill, SC for the matinee show that features favorite Christmas music and scenery. We will have a box lunch on the way. Cost for tickets, chartered bus, and box lunch: \$35 (pay the church office) Sign-up and payment due Sunday, October 20

Please note:

- Scholarships are available for outings and events.
- Each lunch/outing will have a firm RSVP date for sign-up and payments. Refunds are unavailable after this date, as reservations are made based on this information. If you are unable to attend, you will be responsible to find someone to fill your spot.



### WOMEN'S MINISTRY

#### **IF: TABLE**

Thanks to all who joined us for our summer IF:Table series. We are gathering feedback and this may be something that we will continue to do throughout the fall months! Stay tuned for more info and events to come!

### DEACON NOMINATIONS

Deacon nomination information will be mailed in mid-September. All members are asked to prayerfully consider nominations for these servant leaders in our congregation. You may return your



ballot in the following ways:

- Return in the offering plate
- Place in the Drop Box at the office or the boxes throughout the building
- Mail to the church office
- Email to the church office, lbishop@emerywoodbaptist.org

### HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED.... <sup>(7)</sup>

How can I financially contribute to Emerywood Baptist Church?

It's easy!

We offer 3 ways you can support our ministries.

- 1. Checks or cash thru the offering plate. There are no fees with this option
- Go thru your bank and have automatic "Bill Pay" send a check to the church. Depending on your bank, there may be fees involved with this option.
   The church does not incur or charge any fees with this option
- 3. Online giving to Emerywood Baptist Church. There is no charge to giver. If you choose to use the Online Giving Option please visit the church website, <u>http://emerywoodbaptistchurch.com/</u> and select the "Online Giving" under the "Resources" tab. You will see that the process is secure, safe, and easy. You can set-up your own
  - account in just a few easy steps, choose to have automated giving, or simply give once. Your donations can be directed to various church programs, such

as Missions, Youth, Memorials, etc.

On your desktop or mobile device you will find that the Online Giving option is a convenient, safe, and secure option to contribute to the ministries of Emerywood Baptist Church!

### REMINDER FROM THE SAFETY TEAM

As we continue creating a safe atmosphere to gather and worship, you may notice some changes to enhance the security of our church. Several members of the Medical and Security Response Teams will be on duty each Sunday to monitor and assist in areas as needed. If you **SEE something** that concerns you or need help.... **SAY something** to one of these people. They will be wearing lanyards to identify themselves. Also, starting mid-August, you may notice an off-duty police officer in our parking lot on Sunday mornings. This police officer is there to assist the Medical and Security Response Teams and keep an eye on our parking lots.

### STEPHEN MINISTRY

Emerywood is a Stephen Ministry Church. That means we have church members who have received 50 hours of training to assist people with difficult times in their lives. A Stephen Minister knows how to "walk along beside" a person to help them find a way forward toward a new normal after a devastating event.

Usually devastating events create <u>chaos in our spiritual lives</u> too. Where is God in all this mess? Why don't I feel God's presence? Why has God, who is good, allow this bad in my

life? How do I find my way back to a good relationship with God? Why don't I care about finding a renewed relationship with God?

Stephen Ministers can help you because they can <u>recognize spiritual needs</u> that accompany other needs. They know how to <u>discern the conduits</u> that are keeping someone from hearing and believing that God loves them in the midst of the difficulty. And they can patiently help you find ways to <u>unblock those conduits</u> that reestablish the flow of God's grace and love in your life.

Call John or Joyce Setchfield if you would like to talk confidentially about having a Stephen Minister. 336-882-2188.

### WALK THIS WAY

**Thank you** to our resident green thumb, Ron Young, who has made our walk in into the building at the office entrance so beautiful this summer. We all have enjoyed the bright cheerful colors and profusion of blooms adorning our way via plantings and hanging baskets.







### WORKER'S IN THE WOOD



Whatever you are doing, work at it with enthusiasm, as to the Lord... Colossians 3:23 NET

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

#### Sundays

9:00 am	Bible Study
10:00 am	Worship

#### Mondays

#### 5:30 pm GriefShare

#### Wednesdays (beginning Sept 11)

11:00 am	Sanctuary Choir
12:00 pm	Traditional Bible Study
4:30 pm	Traditional Bible Study
5:30 pm	Fellowship Meal
6:30 pm	Topical Bible Study/
	Programs
7:20 pm	Sanctuary Choir

#### SEPTEMBER

- 02 Office closed for Labor Day
- 04 Women's Book Review, 10 am
- 04 Missions Team, 6:15 pm
- 05 Bloodmobile, 2 6:30 pm
- 05 West End Ministries Meal, 4:30 pm
- 07 Food Pantry, 9 am 12 pm
- 08 Youth Vespers resumes, 6 pm
- 10 Senior Adult Lunch, 11:45 am
- 11 Men's Book Review, 10 am
- 11 Wednesday in the 'Wood returns
- 15 Diaconate, 11:15 am
- 19  $2^{nd}$  Harvest Food Drop, 3:30 pm
- 21 Food Pantry CLOSED
- 26 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Food Drop, 3:30 pm

### ADULT SPECIAL CLASS

#### September

- 01 Melissa Pendry
- 08 Ginger Michaud
- 15 Louise Hendrix
- 22 Mary Williams
- 29 Don/Margie Boyd

#### October

- 06 Corinne King
- 13 Dean/Elaine McBrayer
- 20 Lorraine Griffin
- 27 Ron/Rachel Young

#### **VISITATION TEAM**

#### HOSPITAL

#### September

06	Ron Young
13 & 20	Robin Webster
27	Janis Stephenson
Octobor	

#### October

04	Janis Stephenson
11 & 18	Jordan Washburn
25	TR Hendrix

#### HOMEBOUND

September

Phyllis McCoy/Trish Blair

#### October

Lorraine Griffin/Margie Boyd

### WEST END MINISTRIES

Coordinator – Michelle Loyd **First Thursday monthly** October 3; November 7



#### DIACONATE (9)

#### DEACON IN SERVICE

#### September

- 01 Rick Bednarek
- 08 Kristin Cain
- 15 Brian Hodge
- 22 Wence Dusek
- 29 Jim Trammell

#### October

- 06 Carolyn Long
- 13 Brandon Blair
- 20 Warren Gallemore
- 27 Allison Almond Katie Suggs

#### **DEACON MEETING**

Sunday, September 15 11:15 am

#### DROP BOX

Please leave correspondence after hours in the secure drop box located at the interior office door.



### EBC STAFF

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Garrett Saake, Minister of Music gjsaake@gmail.com

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY



- 01 Tom Chafin
- 01 Lamarie Clinard
- 02 Hensen Bednarek
- 03 Becky Yates
- 06 Brian Davis
- 06 Martha Harris
- 06 Anne Marie Trammell
- 07 Tim Pendry
- 08 Rose Greer
- 12 Chris Aiken
- 12 Kathy McDowell
- 13 Woodie Cain
- 14 Rick Bednarek
- 15 Michael Bauman
- 15 June Kiser
- 17 Trish Blair
- 18 Mallory Griffin
- 18 Cathy Purvis
- 19 Janice Doherty
- 19 Becky Myers
- 19 Vicki Smith
- 21 Sawyer Aiken
- 21 Carlton Clinard
- 21 Sandra Smith
- 22 Lamar King
- 25 Billy Cox
- 27 Shirley Miller

#### ANNIVERSARY WISHES

- 01 Ed & Heather Cross
- 05 Bob & Danneal Whitton
- 06 Sid & Martha Roberts
- 07 Dean & Kathy Bull
- 20 Dean & Elaine McBrayer
- 25 Brook & Jayna Patterson
- 25 Charles & Linda Tanner
- 26 William & Marcia Dills

#### FACTS & FIGURES

#### July

Month to date	
Income	49,903
Expenses	59,224
	(9, 321)
Year to date	
Income	336,408
Expenses	374,570
	(38,162)

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday – Thursday, 9 am – 5 pm; Friday, 9 am – 1 pm

#### ON CALL MINISTER

To reach the on-call minister for an emergency after office hours, call the church office (336-885-6016) and follow instructions.

### REMEMBER IN (10) PRAYER

Phyllis Osborne Sandie Cain Lamarie Clinard

> " To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul." Psalm 25 (NRSV)

### OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO

**Cindy Farmer** on the death of her mother, Frances Jernigan, of Laurinburg, NC

**Lola Stanley** on the death of her brother-in-law, John E. Giles, of Alexandria, VA.

Al Purvis on the death of his mother, Jane Purvis, of Florence, SC and to Sarah P. Foster and family on the death of her grandmother.

**Caroline Blair** on the death of her grandfather-in-law, John Anderson.

**Don Boyd** on the death of his sister, Bonnie Powell, of Fredricksburg, VA

### CONTACT INFO

Have you moved? Changed your email address? Updated other contact info? Please remember to send this new contact info to the church office.



# WEDNESDAYS IN THE 'WOOD

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# CONNECT

Intercessory Prayer Traditional Bible Study Fellowship Meal Programs/Topical Bible Study Sanctuary Choir 11 am (History Room)
12 noon (Room 122) or 4:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)
5:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 pm – Children, Youth, Adults (Fellowship Hall/various rooms)
7:20 pm (Choir Room)

#### **Fellowship Meal**

Connect around the tables for fellowship and food at the mid-week gathering. Sign-up in the Gathering Area to be on the permanent meal list (cancel only if you are not attending) or sign-up each week when you are able to attend. Stop by and place your name on the list today.

Also, we need folks to lend a hand as a meal server.

#### Menu

- 11 Broasted chicken, rice/gravy, green beans, salad
- 18 Baked spaghetti, salad, garlic toast
- 25 Baked ham, slaw, potatoes, salad

#### RSVP by noon Monday. 336-885-6016 or <a href="https://www.ubishop.emerywoodbaptist.org">https://www.ubishop.emerywoodbaptist.org</a>

Adult meals include roll and dessert (Catering by Sid Wills) Kids meal will have rotating entrée such as pizza, chicken nuggets, hotdogs, mac & cheese; sides may include carrot sticks, tater tots, fruit, yogurt, etc.

Reminder that kids wish to eat from the adult line must make an adult reservation and are charged the adult price.

#### Meal cost:

Adult/youth meal: \$6/Child (ages 3–10) \$3/Family max charge: \$16

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### **Intercessory Prayer**

11 am (History Room)

**Traditional Bible Study** 12 noon (Room 122) or 4:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)

**Fellowship Meal** 5:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)

**Programs/Topical Bible Study** 6:30 pm – Children, Youth, Adults (Fellowship Hall/various r

Sanctuary Choir 7:20 pm (Choir Room)

See previous page for September menus.