

BACC BEACON

March 26 - April 1

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Family of Lee Warren
- Tim Cook
- Jackie and Munsey Millaway
- John Bryan
- All Government Leaders
- Darrin Hartness - cancer (friend of Becky)
- Caleb Watson
- Alex Cornett
- Roger Church
- Pastor Mitch
- Maurice Penick
- Judy Eller
- Russell Swift
- Rudy Fox
- Students who are struggling
- Ned and Wanda Bentley
- Kathy Green
- RA and Brenda Cornett
- Nancy Penick
- Eula Johnson
- James Shore
- Baby Sailor
- Kate Greene
- Fred Vannoy
- Dean and Alma Earp
- Zigli Family
- Marie Jones

Connect Church 2023

We believe that EACH PERSON has special gifts tht can be used by the church to bless people in our community, perhaps even bless thousands. Finding God's abundance in your community begins with looking at your:

- Heart (Your Cares and Loves)
- Hands (Your Skills)
- Head (Your Knowledge)

from Connect Church Resources p. 20

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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR MITCH

"220 West King Street. The 'little stone church.' The rock church next to Boone Drug and Earth Fare." These are all descriptions of our physical location in downtown Boone, North Carolina. Have you ever thought about the physical location of our church? It is prime real estate. In fact, I have had a real estate agent contact me in the past to let me know that if we ever decided to sell it, he wanted to be first on the list. Well I assured him that it was not for sale and I thanked him for his interest.

Our church indeed is in a prime location. It is almost 100 years old and certainly has had a few issues to deal with, but our Trustees have done a great job in maintaining these issues. Just recently sheetrock was replaced, finished and painted in the nursery area that was damaged from the broken water line. The crown molding and light fixtures need to be replaced and that area will be usable again. We have lots of usable space for Sunday School rooms, prayer rooms, meeting rooms, and lots more! Our fellowship area has been a great place to once again enjoy time together as we did Sunday night after the Hymn Sing. The sanctuary, the annex and the educational space are all areas that get a good bit of use. There are prayer meetings, mission group meetings, Bible studies, and lots of things that these areas have served well in the past. Have you ever walked through our building and thought of the physical assets we have? In doing so, have you thought about ways in which these physical assets could better serve our community? In the days and weeks to come, our Connect Church Team will be asking lots of questions like this as we strive to see how we can better glorify God with our space and better minister to our community. In the meantime, do you have some ideas? Please let me or one of the Connect Church team members know.

Sunday, our sermon topic will be, "When Hearing Becomes Seeing." Our text will be Mark 10:46-52. I hope to see you in Sunday School and Worship!

I love you,
Pastor Mitch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

And Church Family Updates

Please turn in the Information Sheets by April 2!

All ladies are invited to WH&FMS on Monday, April 3 at 6:30.

Sunday Morning Prayer Time Sunday at 9:15 AM in the ANNEX.

Men's Prayer Time Tuesdays 7:00-7:30 AM in the Sanctuary

Sunday School (In Person/Zoom/Facebook Live) @ 9:45

Worship (In Person/Facebook Live) @ 10:45.

Have a prayer request? Call the Church at 828-264-1414 and leave a message on the voice mail anytime!

Remember to send your tithe to
Boone Advent Christian Church
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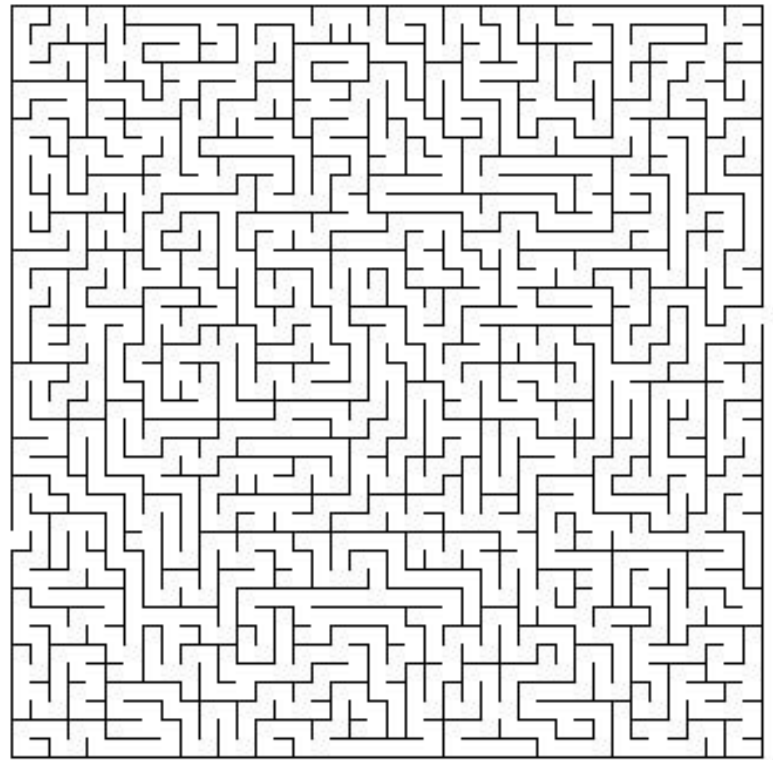
KID'S AND YOUTH CORNER

Pastor Brittany Jackson

Hi everyone!

Many people thought of Peter as the leader of Jesus' disciples. He was the one who first called Jesus, "Messiah" and of whom Jesus said, "Upon this rock, I will build my church." But he was also the one who spoke out of turn the most, the one whom Jesus most often corrected, and the one who denied Him three times after His arrest. His was a journey from fisherman to foremost of the faithful! Go with him on this wild journey below!

Love,
Brittany



Peter the Fisherman

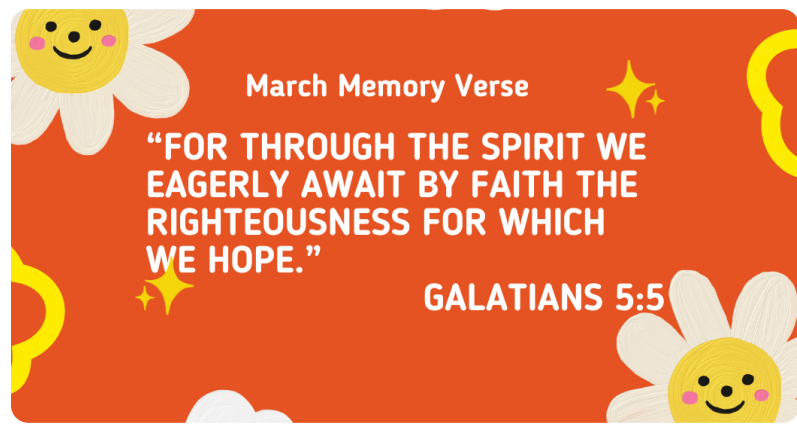


Peter the faithful apostle

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

March 30: Joyce Sherrill

March 31: Elizabeth Noble



SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTLINE

Our Sunday School Outline for **March 26, 2023, Jesus Overpowers Legion** is from **Mark 5:1-13, 18-20**

Our Lesson Focus: **Tell of the mercy and release you've experienced through Christ.**

Jesus is merciful and we can bring our needs to Him. Hebrews 4:16 says, "Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." Jesus' miracles did more than meet obvious needs. They proved the truth of His teachings and revealed the glory of His identity. Those who looked beyond the miracles to the person who performed them became convinced that here was a man with divine authority. Here was God's own Son (John 20:30-31).

*What psychological burdens prevent people from enjoying the blessings of God?

*How have some of these burdens affected your life?

*Why does the compassion of Christ liberate you from the effects of these burdens?

Our first scripture reading: **The Demon-Possessed Man is from Mark 5:1-5**

*What took place when Jesus exited the boat?

*What was distinctive about the man whom Jesus encountered?

Our second scripture reading: **The Messiah's Authority over Demons is from Mark 5:6-13**

*What did the tormented man do when he saw Jesus?

*What answer did Jesus receive after asking His question?

*How did Jesus respond to the demons' request?

Our third scripture reading: **The Good News of God's Mercy is from Mark 5:18-20**

*What did Jesus direct the healed man to do?

Our last story – **If the Son Sets You Free** – tells us that we can only know true freedom when we receive Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Remember the Philippian jailer who was about to kill himself when the prison cells opened – Paul intervened. The jailer of people was spiritually imprisoned himself, but the Son liberated him, and his entire household was saved. Everyone is in their own self-created and self-imposed prison unless Christ Jesus has freed them. We have been redeemed in the sight of God. Our former prison, comprised of our fears, anxieties, addictions, depression, and arrogance, is vacant, and each of us has our own unique story of how the Lord liberated us. Our story can provide hope and encouragement and guidance to others who still dwell in their own dark dungeon. We can rejoice whenever we understand how wondrously Jesus has poured His compassion upon us and released us from the chains that had once enslaved us. When others hear our joy, they are drawn to Jesus because of it.

*Why is Jesus the only one who can release us from evil?

*Why is the mercy of Christ important to you?

*How do you convey Jesus' love to the people in need of God's compassion?

When Jesus delivers us from evil, it is an act of mercy because we neither deserve His act of compassion nor do we have the power in ourselves to break the evil chains that bind us. This is why God bids us to tell our story to others both transparently and humbly. Jesus' power indicates that He can release us from any bondage if we surrender our lives to His Lordship.

WEEKLY DEVOTION

Many but One

Have you ever had an injury to one thing on your body? Did that injury impact how you moved or your ability to complete ordinary tasks? Perhaps you have had surgery to a knee or shoulder and had to be still for a certain amount of time. It could be that you injured your hand, foot, finger or toe. Even that could have caused a disruption to how you went about your normal routine.

As I was thinking about this, it made me think of the church. We all are needed. We all have gifts and talents that are needed for the work of the church. We are all needed for the church to be effective for the kingdom of God. For this purpose, I am speaking of the church as a whole (all believers), as well as our church - Boone Advent Christian Church.

Paul explains it this way in Romans 12:4-8 -- ***For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.***

Paul further says in 1 Corinthians 12: 12-19 -- ***For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and have all been made to drink into one Spirit. For in fact the body is not one member but many.***

If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body? And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body? If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where would be the smelling? But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased. And if they were all one member, where would the body be?

Friends, every single one of us has gifts, interests, skills, abilities and talents that are important for our church. There is someone reading this right now that may say, "I don't have anything to offer." My response would be, "Yes, you do!" Can you bake a pie or cake? Can you sew? Can you make a phone call? Can you pray? Can you tighten a nail? Can you grow a garden? The list could go on and on. Those are opportunities to serve! Oh wait, not one of those things involves teaching, preaching, singing in the choir or going on a mission trip. No, no they don't. Everyone is important and what we may think is a little thing can actually be a huge thing if it meets the need of someone desperate for help. Don't lose out on a blessing by sitting. Stand up, speak up, show up, and serve it up. Watch what God can do with your little task, the little task of another and another. Altogether they add up to great big things for the kingdom of God.

Just like our bodies, if one finger hurts and is unusable, so it is with our church. Everyone is needed. Everyone has work to do.

Let's do the work!

Blessings to you today and always,
Sara