

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

HYMN 460	“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”
WELCOME	
SONG	“Learning to Lean”
PRAYER	
HYMN 398	“Follow On”
GRANDPARENT’S REQUEST	Favorite Hymns
OFFERING	
BABY DEDICATION	<i>Harper Jacqueline Chamberlin</i>
SCRIPTURE READING	James 1:1-4, 12; 5:7-11
HYMN 298	“God Leads Us Along”
MESSAGE	“Survival Guide to Christianity: <i>Patience</i> ”

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION DAY

The fall quarter at Temple begins today! Children moving up to preschool, 1st, 3rd, 5th, or 7th grade are welcomed into their new Sunday School classes! We are also excited to begin a new quarter with the adults, as we continue our study in the book of John! A new season is always a great time to plug into a Sunday School class, if you’ve been out of the loop!

GRANDPARENTS DAY

Today we want to honor our grandparents! We are so thankful to those who raised our parents and played such a special part in the lives of many!

“The hoary [gray] head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness.”

– Proverbs 16:31

UPDATES & EVENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION DAY – TODAY

ICE CREAM TRUCK FOR GRANDPARENT’S DAY – TODAY

Commonwealth Senior Living has generously gifted our church with an ice cream truck following the morning service, in honor of TBC grandparents! It will be outside the FLC!

BABY SHOWER FOR KIMBERLEE MARSHALL – POSTPONED

Baby came early! We are rejoicing with Kimberlee and Alex, whose first child, Wesley Alexander, was born on September 9. He weighed 6 pounds 15 ounces. Congratulations!

OPEN GYM DODGEBALL – TONIGHT

Adults & teens 9th grade and up are welcome to join us in the gym after the evening service. Must attend evening service to participate.

LADIES 4 SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: “PAINT, POUR, & PRAYER” – TUES, SEPT 13 & 20

This activity will take place in the old gym, 7:00-8:30pm. To sign up, contact Michelle McBride at (540) 845-1172 or email the church office (church@abouttbc.org).

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER TRAINING – WED, SEPT 14

All children’s Sunday School teachers and helpers should attend this meeting in room 113, following the song service at church. Children’s Sunday School subs are also invited to attend!

GROW VISITATION OUTREACH – SAT, SEPT 17 – 10:30am-12pm

LADIES 6 SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON – SAT, SEPT 17

Nancy Duffield will host this special luncheon at her home in Spotsylvania, 12:00-3:30pm. Contact Nancy Duffield (703-505-9050) or the church office for more information.

OPEN GYM VOLLEYBALL – SUN, SEPT 18

LADIES RETREAT @ CAMP RAPIDAN – SAT, SEPT 24

Register online by September 15 at camprapidan.com/ladies-retreat-fall/. Contact Courtney Howard with questions or if you’d like to ride with the church group.

NEXT STEP CLASS

Are you interested in learning more about the beliefs and ministries of TBC? We invite you to our Next Step class on **Sunday, September 25 at 9:15am**. Questions? Contact Jeff Wollschlager or the church office.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

David & Beth

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

13	Patty Connie
14	Mike & Kim Ron & Dee
16	Joe Sissy Melody
17	Cathy

EVERY KNEE SHALL BOW

“It doesn’t matter what you believe, as long as you’re sincere.” Do you recognize this line of thought? Of course we do! “It doesn’t matter what you believe” has become such an accepted principle in our culture that those who *choose not to believe that principle* tend to be ridiculed and rejected. Believing in one true God, one way to salvation, and the absolute truth and authority of God’s Word won’t gain you any popularity in our world. But whose opinion matters? The culture’s? Or God’s? If we prioritize the acceptance of our world, we will reject God and His Truth: “For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.” (Galatians 1:10)

In contrast with what our culture teaches, God’s Word reveals that it does matter what we believe—in fact, it matters *more than anything else*. In Luke 16, Christ tells of a man who had gone to everlasting judgment in hell. Like all of us, this man had been condemned by his own sins (John 3:18). But instead of asking God for mercy, he had chosen to reject Jesus and His offer of salvation. From hell, this man cried out to Abraham, asking for Lazarus to be sent to his brothers who were still living and “testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.” (Luke 16:28) Abraham answered, “If they hear not Moses and the prophets [in the written Word of God], neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.” This rich man had waited until it was too late.

God has given His Word to the world. It tells us that we must be saved from our sins and put our faith in Christ alone for salvation (John 3:16). Even now, God is giving more time for people to be saved. II Peter 3:9 says that He is “is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.” But one day Jesus will come again, and every knee will bow before Him. Every person will finally agree that Jesus is Lord (Phil 2:10-11). Don’t wait until that day! Don’t put your faith in yourself or in the opinions of others. Agree with Him now and be saved!

