

Our Mission at BRVBC

We are committed to Christ's Great Commission as we **Evangelize** the **Sinner**, **Baptize** the **Saved**, and **Mobilize** the **Saint!**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

Sunday School 9:45 AM
 Morning Worship 10:45 AM
 Evening Worship 6:00 PM
 Wednesday in the Word 7:00 PM
 (Children & Youth)..... 6:30 PM

**Children's Ministry
 (K5-5th grade)**

Welcome to all Our Children!
 All BRV Kids meetings and events take place in the newest building, 1st floor

BRV Kids meet for:
 Sunday School at 9:45 AM
 Children's Church at 10:45 AM (K5-3rd grade)
 Wednesday nights at 7:00 PM

BRV Kids is using the BAND app for upcoming events, pictures, notifications, and more! If you would like to be added, you can contact Keni or sign up using the QR code below.



We would love to have volunteers! If you are interested in helping with music, games, crafts, snacks, special events, outreach or teaching, please contact Keni.



Serenity Family Addiction Recovery—12 Steps to Healing

Is there anything that dominates your thinking, emotions or actions — money, work, power, sexuality, alcohol or other drugs, relationships or activities? If so, it might be an addiction or dependency. If not dealt with, it could shift your life dangerously out of balance. Have you come from a painful family background? Those of us who have grown up in a dysfunctional family often have addictive personalities as adults. Unhealthy families produce unhealthy children who become unhealthy adults. Are you one? Do you have a history of damaging and hurtful relationships? Serenity Family Addiction Recovery is an ongoing, Christ-and Bible-centered recovery program that helps in recognizing and healing emotional wounds. The meetings are held in strict confidentiality and anonymity. If you answered yes to any of the above questions, you are invited to come join us Tuesdays at 6:30 PM, in the back building, to begin healing. For more information call Marie or Chris at 864-878-1687.

Church Needs:

CDL Licensed Bus Driver
 Young Adult SS teacher(s)
 Pianist
 Assistant Treasurer

**ABOUT OUR CHURCH
 HOW DO I BECOME A MEMBER?**

By Profession of Faith and Baptism: If you will receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and follow Him in baptism by immersion.

By Baptism from Another Denomination: If you know in your heart that you received Jesus Christ as personal Savior and Lord at some point in your life and feel God has led you to our church, but have never been baptized by immersion.

By Transfer of Letter: If you are a Baptist whose membership is elsewhere and who feels God has led you to Blue Ridge View.

By Statement: If you are saved and have been Scripturally baptized in a church and your membership records are not available for transfer OR you are saved and have been baptized by immersion and are coming from another denomination.

** If you feel that God has led you to Blue Ridge View you may come forward during the invitation of any of our services and express your desire to the pastor.*



"Rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing instant in prayer." Romans 12:12

Thank you to the Sunday School faithful, your presence is an encouragement. I know we are missing many. I challenge you to not stack up the extra seats, instead put a name on them and pray for the person you want to see fill it. Keep inviting that friend, neighbor, colleague, or church visitor to your class.

If you are not a member of a Sunday School class, I urge you to become involved. Sunday School is a special time at BRV. It is a time to connect with others your age and similar life stage to develop friendship and fellowship while studying God's Word. As you study the Bible together you will be encouraged and challenged in your spiritual growth and daily life.

We have a class for every age!

The L.O.F.T. Breakfast Schedule

May 5 Pancakes
 May 12 Sammy & Debbie Elrod
 May 19 Tim & Amy Fuller
 May 26 Prayer Breakfast
 June 2 Pancakes



If you're unable to take a turn, but would like to make donations, we can still use pancake mix, breakfast meats and 2-liter sodas. We go through around four 2-liters every Sunday.



May 2024

Blue Ridge View Baptist Church

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 brvbc.org



- * Youth Pastor / Music-Choir Director.....Pastor Chad Trotter
- * Media Ministry.....Mr. Cooper Benjamin
- * Director of Nursery / Preschool.....Mrs. Judy Seawright
- * Director of Children's MinistryMrs. Keni Kelly
- * SecretaryMrs. Ann Clark



Sunday, May 12

No PM Worship. Spend Time with Family



share the Word each week!

In the month of May we will continue with our series on Sunday mornings, "The Red Letters." If you would like to read ahead, we will mostly be in the book of Matthew, but may skip around a little between all 4 Gospels. The theme of the red letters can be found in Matthew 4:17 "Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." The Amplified Bible defines repent as: change your inner self—your old way of thinking, regret past sins, live your life in a way that proves repentance; seek God's purpose for your life. I think too often we fear God's purpose for our lives, as if we will not be happy. That is far from the truth! There is no greater joy than living the life that God has called you to live! He wouldn't call us to live a life that He has not equipped us to live! As we often say, "Let go and let God"! Let go of your fears and anxieties, and let God lead you to your life of purpose! Remember, John 10:10: "The thief cometh not, but for to seal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." An abundant life is one with direction and purpose. Do not let the thief rob you of either!

Love you all dearly!
Bro. Chad



As I get closer to graduation, my prayers for God to lead me to choose a college that is in His will are getting more and more constant! I should have been praying more consistently about this to begin with, but the time is getting closer and closer! We Christians

should look to God for guidance in every aspect of our lives. But we must have a STRONG relationship with Christ if we want the best for our lives!

You can grow your relationship with Christ in different ways. But three of the most essential ways are reading God's word consistently, praying consistently, and going to church consistently. Notice the common word in these three, consistently. We cannot have a strong relationship with Christ if we only read the Bible "just whenever we get the chance", only pray when something goes wrong in our lives, or only go to church a few times a month when it's not raining, then how can we expect to grow as Christians? I am not putting myself on a pedestal, I had to learn this the hard way and I'm still not doing as good as I should! God deserves more time than we give Him, and I am so guilty of not spending enough time giving the honor and praise to Him that He deserves. It is such a privilege to have the opportunity to honor and praise Him, so let's take advantage of this opportunity and do it as often as we can! Let's go forward together and all be more consistent in our relationship with Christ. It's the least we can do since we can never do enough to repay Him for what He's done for us. Love you church! I'm here if anyone ever needs anything!
Cooper Benjamin

Counting Our Blessings

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

Sunday School..... 129
AM Worship 247
PM Worship no service
Total Offering \$7,307.00

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Sunday School..... 113
AM Worship 163
PM Worship 92
Total Offering \$6,907.00

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

Sunday School..... 122
AM Worship 200
PM Worship 92
Total Offering \$10,390.00

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Sunday School..... 117
AM Worship 175
PM Worship 86
Total Offering.....\$5,553.00



Sunday, May 26
8:30 AM



Men's & Women's
Ministries meeting
Thursday, May 23, 6:00 PM



Deacon Spotlight...

By Charles Taylor



In my daily walk through life, I sometimes let things around me (such as yard work or working in my shop) get in the way of the most important thing in my life, and that is my walk and obedience to God. I am so thankful that God always has time for me. He is never too busy to hear my prayer or comfort me when I'm down, or pick me up when I fall.

We all come short of the glory of God. His mercy endureth forever, and His love is never ending. His grace is always sufficient. He is always there when we need Him. He will never leave or forsake us even unto the end of the world.

I leave you with this scripture: Romans 8:38-39

³⁸ For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, ³⁹ Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Saved To Serve

Deacon of the Week

May 5 David Cassell, 864-385-9028
May 12 Sammy Elrod, 864-420-5554
May 19 Randy Hughes, 864-207-2340
May 26 Bradley Johnson, 864-419-7209; 864-747-5232
June 2 Stan Raines, 864-420-8634

Tithe Counters

May 5
10:45 AM & 6:00 PM: Jamie Gravely, Jeremy Benjamin
May 12
10:45 AM & 6:00 PM: Donnie Clark, Jeff Bowen (no PM service)
May 19
10:45 AM & 6:00 PM: Michael & Susan Clark, Adam Kelly
May 26
10:45 AM & 6:00 PM: Lydia Trotter, Sammy Elrod
June 2
10:45 AM & 6:00 PM: Sandra Raines, Diane Williams

Grounds Patrol

May 5 Charles Taylor, Tyler Clark, Tim Fuller
May 12 Travis Crenshaw, Wesley Clark, David Lockee
May 19 David Cassell, Marty Johnson, Will Trotter
May 26 Mike Williams, Adam Kelly, Glenn Reeves
June 2 Ronnie Alexander, Landan Stancell, Freddie Duncan

May Birthdays

- 4 Martha Hawkins
- 5 Jayden Ferguson
- 7 Sammy Elrod
Debra Morris
Emma Johnson
- 15 Marty Johnson
R.C. Atkins
- 19 Kensley Burr
Bobby Abercrombie
- 22 Sadie Rettberg
- 24 Melissa Bishop
- 25 Shelby Crowe
- 26 Caleb Bowen
Alecia Bates
- 27 West Williams
- 30 Wyatt Watkins
- 31 Betty Powell



PLEASE, WE NEED VOLUNTEERS for the Preschool Department on **Sunday nights** and **Wednesday nights**. If you are willing to give your time to serve, please call or text Judy Seawright at 864-878-7658 (this is a cell number).

If you can, please give up one night of listening to the preacher to teach these precious children.

We appreciate all our workers.
Thank you,
Judy Seawright, Preschool Director

May 2024 Preschool Volunteers

May 5
10:45 AM Preschool:
Amy Newton, Mell Bishop, Dee Qualls
6:00 PM Preschool:
Jessica Evitt

May 12
10:45 AM Preschool:
Landan Stancell, Ceana Snellgrove, Ali Kent, Marie Pritchett
6:00 PM Preschool:
(No PM service in observance of Mother's Day)

May 19
10:45 AM Preschool:
Donnie & Ann Clark, Belinda Alexander, Haley Barkley
6:00 PM Preschool:
Joyce Alexander

May 26
10:45 AM Preschool:
Mary Ann & Marla Bowen, Debbie Morris, Sara-Catherine Kueber
6:00 PM Preschool:
Angie Alexander

Wednesday, May 1: Wanda Duncan
Wednesday, May 8: Judy Seawright
Wednesday, May 15: Wanda Duncan
Wednesday, May 22: Donnie & Ann Clark
Wednesday, May 29: Judy Seawright

For more info., contact Judy Seawright, 864-878-7658

**NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18
is permitted to pick up children from the
Preschool Department**



Let's all pray for the preschool department. We are so excited to be growing. We have an average of 12-15 each Sunday. This is a great number of children ages 4 and under. We are making some changes

to help care for your children. Pray we will always please God in each decision we make. I love each of you and thank you for your prayers and volunteering.
Judy Seawright
Preschool Director

Children's Church Volunteers:

May 5: Keni Kelly
May 12: Amy Fuller
May 19: Wanda Duncan
May 26: Steven & Julie Brennan



**Church Office will be closed
Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day**