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From your Discipleship Pastor:

Congratulations to the Sisters of Grace Sunday School Class for their 100% attendance Sunday, August 14. The first since COVID hit. If we focused on a Sunday School Class of the Month - they would have won. In fact they did win, I had a dozen doughnuts from Duncan Donuts as a thank you gift for their efforts. It just dawned on me – WHY NOT? Why not have a class of the month. If your class has 100% attendance, or did some project send me a picture and let's advertise...let's celebrate. We are Mauldin First Baptist. Yet, we still often refer to ourselves as First Baptist Church of Mauldin. What's the difference? Our logo is MFB which emphasizes that Mauldin is our First Mission Field and Baptist is our identity. Let' strive to make Mauldin First. Which brings me up to looking for volunteers. Our prayer ministry is being appreciated from those of our fellowship with prayer concerns. Our prayer ministry goes over the weekly prayer lists, make follow up calls to check on how folks are doing and they also call/check on our Homebounds. Problem is we are first taking care of our Baptist Church. That's important, but I envision our prayer ministry going out to the Mauldin area. Just think how great it would be for a new resident, or someone in the community in need of prayer would be contacted by the prayer ministry and have someone pray with them over their concerns. What kind of an impact would that have on Mauldin, our first mission field? Problem is, I don't have enough volunteers to make that happen. Will you pray about it and then let Ron or me know of your interest in becoming part of the team?

Sunday Night Family Bible Studies resume September 11, 2022 4:30pm-5:30pm. We have 2 studies lined up to help us impact the community/culture in which we live today. Ron Haught will be teaching, "Sharing Your Faith in today's culture" and Blake Callens will be teaching "How to apply Scripture to our daily lives in the current cultural climates." The study will be based on The Sermon on the Mount and a study of Bonhoeffer's book, "The Cost of Discipleship." Our ladies classes will resume on the September 11th as well. Sign up sheets are in coffee bar area. At this point we will not resume MFB's Sunday Supper.





Have a great day in The Lord, Bill

From your Senior Adult Pastor:

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE:

Due to the Labor Day Holiday, our September Sonshine Fellowship will be held on the 2nd Tuesday, September 13, 2022. Here's a trivia question "What do you not know about Nadine Chasteen?" Most of us know Nadine as our Business Administrator/Executive Secretary but, did you also know that Nadine is the accompanist for Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, Laurens, SC? Plus, you may not know that she is going to present our September program. As per usual, the program begins at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall and will be followed by a fellowship meal. The church will provide the meat while sides and desserts will be pot luck. On October 4, 2022, the Upstate Brass will present us with a musical program. I have every confidence that both programs will be greatly enjoyed.

August was a traveling time for some of us, beginning with a trip to the mountains of Western North Carolina to attend the Mountain Gourd Gathering and tour the area ending at Looking Glass Falls in the Pisgah National Forest. We also had a group attend An Evening with The Regals and Friends at Norwood Baptist Church, Greer. It was a great time of inspiration through music and the comedy of Dennis Swanburg. September will be a little bit calmer (staying and being blessed right here at MFB). We still have some free tickets left for an evening with David Jeremiah and Michael Sanchez October 20 at Bon Secours Wellness Center. We have two buses reserved to transport us from the church (leaving at 5:45pm). The buses are convenient for parking and walking. However, if you prefer to drive, you will still need to get your tickets. See Ron or me for them.

Celebrators Conference is the big trip for October (10-13). We have a bus leased for that event with 40+ going. What a wonderful experience that will be.

Fall is in the air folks, and a wonderful time to pick up an extra light weight jacket if you don't have one of "ours" yet. We have men's sizes large, xl, double xl and 3Xl. For Women we have L-XXL. Check with Ron or me to get yours at \$25.00 each. Not only are these great jackets, they identify us as MFB when we go off on trips.

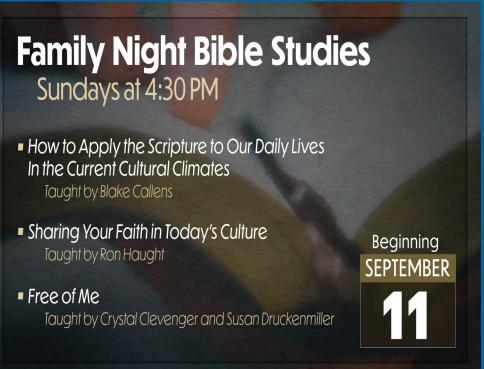


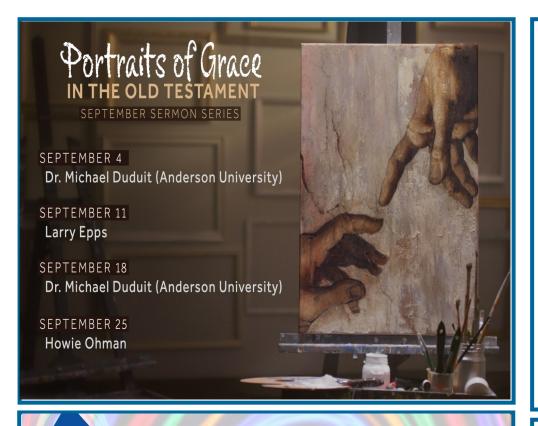
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Welcome MFB's new accompanist, Danielle Warren

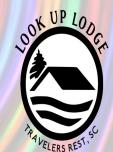
Danielle is from Columbia, SC and graduated from Bob Jones University in 2012 with a degree in Church Music, piano proficiency. After graduation, she and her husband moved to Charleston for several years where she maintained a full music studio teaching piano, cello, beginner violin and kept a busy wedding performance schedule with both piano and cello. Her husband's work moved them to the Upstate in 2016. While she no longer runs a music studio at this time, she still performs regularly with Foothills Philharmonic in Greer. Her primary job is now homeschooling her three boys, which she loves! They enjoy exploring nature parks and lakes, going on camping trips and various field trips, and working on their mini homestead as part of their homeschool routine. Her personal hobbies include sewing, reading, crafting of almost any kind, cooking and gardening.



COLORS

2022 FALL RETREAT
September 30-October 2

- After School Friday to After Lunch Sunday
- Cost: \$120 Before August 28, \$150 Afterwards
- \$50 Non-refundable Deposit at Sign-up
- See Rebecca, Paula, or Tory for Payment
- Watch the Socials for Updates!



PRE-REGISTER NOW!



MFB Family – thank you for your willingness to worship together in 1 service for the trial period of July and August. We've entered into this challenge prayerfully and fully believing that we're stronger, healthier, and more unified when we're all together. The participation throughout these 2 months has been significant and the feedback overwhelmingly positive. We've sought counsel among each other and through our SS classes and we're pleased to announce that on September 4, 2022, we will continue our 1 multi-generational worship service at 10:30am with the SS hour beginning at 9:15am officially.

Soon, the choir will be back and before long,
Wade will be back in the pulpit!
We are looking forward to the fall!
The Pastoral Staff