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Summer Music at Spring Hill

# July 19-23, 2021 Completed K4 - 6th Grade

- Cost: \$80 for one child, \$130 for two children per family, \$160 for three or more children per family
- Thankfully our camp is currently filled. To be placed on a waiting list please visit <u>www.shbc.cc/register</u>.
- Questions? Contact Debbie Rice, drice@shbc.cc

## SMASH Performance & Ice Cream Social Sunday, July 25, 2021

Our 1st-6th grade children will present a musical at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They'll share music and more of what they've learned at SMASH camp. Join us downstairs in the Dining Hall after the performance for an Ice Cream Social! Call 342-5320 or sign up in Sunday School classes if you'd like to bring some homemade (or store-bought) ice cream AND serve it during the event.



Church Offices & Activities Center will be closed July 5 in observance of Independence Day. Also, there will be no Messenger the week following July 4.



Join us for **"Tribute to America"** featuring Sanctuary Choir, Orchestra, and Joyce Sylvester, guest soloist. This special presentation reminds us of America's humble beginnings, challenges us to live up to the faith of our fathers, and to continue pursuing the dream to be one nation under God. Spring Hill Baptist Church, Mobile, Alabama https://shbc.cc/ministries/music-ministry/



### Our Day School Needs Dress Up Clothes

Spring Hill Baptist Day School is in need of gently used dress-up clothes. If you have some you'd like to donate, you can drop

them by the Education Office between 8:00 a.m. -4:30 p.m. (Monday - Thursday) or Fridays between 8:00 a.m. - noon. Thanks so much!!

# Youth Sports at Spring Hill Baptist Church





Upward Flag Football registration begins NOW for K5-6th Grade. Evaluation dates are to be determined. Practice begins Monday, August 9, 2021 and games begin August 16, 2021 (All practices/games are on Mondays). Cost is \$120 and sign up ends July 30, 2021.

Registration for Service Volleyball also begins NOW for K5-6th Grade. Season begins Tuesday, August 10, 2021 (All practices/games are on Tuesdays). Cost is \$100 and sign up ends July 30, 2021.

#### To Register Visit: www.shbc.cc/register

Questions?: Contact Ashley Johnson, ajohnson@shbc.cc or 251-342-5375.



**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the first and second Tuesdays of the month** at 9:00 a.m. in the Activities Center. We would like to invite all - those who would like to learn or those who are experienced knitters. If you would

like to donate yarn, please drop your donations off in the Education Office. For more information and to be a part of this loving ministry contact Yvonne Lawrence 251-421-3049.



Mark Your Calendars!

PARENT SUMMIT 2021 WITH VICKI COURTNEY

# Saturday, August 28, 2021



## MUSIC MINISTRY 2021 Upcoming Events

Tribute to America

June 27

SMASH July 19-23

Student Choir Kick-off August 15

Children's Choir Kick-off August 25

This Is Christmas Preview August 25



#### IMPORTANT INFO REGARDING THE CTIVITIES CENTER GYN

ACTIVITIES CENTER GYM The gym will be closed July 1 and 2 for the floors to be recoated. We apologize for any inconvience this may cause. derstanding.

Thank you for your understanding.

# SHBC FAMILY SKATE NIGHT

## SAVE THE DATE !!!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28 5:30-7:30 P.M. SUNSHINE SKATE CENTER \$10 PER FAMILY (INCLUDES ALL SKATERS AND A PIZZA SUPPER!)



Please join us as we serve the women at *McKemie Place* on **Thursday, July 1**. Bring your favorite salad, side dish or dessert to add to our fried chicken dinner to the Activities Center parking lot by 5:30 p.m. Your good food, your prayers and other expressions of God's grace mean so much!

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Ephesians 4:32



# IT'S A FAMILY POOL PARTY!

Tuesday, July 13 • 5:30-7:30 PM Spring Hill Swim Club

#### COST: \$5 PER FAMILY

# THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

Sunday, June 27		
	Contemporary Service	
9:45 a.m	Sunday School	
11:00 a.m	Traditional Service/Tribute to America	
Monday, June 28		
9:00 a.m	Art on the Hill Class	
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6·00 n m	Ladies' Bible Study	
Wednesday, June 30	Art on the Hill Class	
6:00 p.m	Adult Bible Study	
Thursday, July 1	Gym Closed for Floor Recoating	
5:30 p.m		
Friday, July 2	Gym Closed for Floor Recoating	
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Saturday, July 3

Reminder: Church Offices and Activities Center Will Be Closed on July 5 in Observance of Independence Day



PLEASE HELP: FOOD DONATIONS Items are being collected in marked boxes in the Education Office, the Activities Center and on the second floor of the Adult Sunday School Building.

**Items Needed:** boxed mac-n-cheese, canned spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, ramen noodles, rice, beans, cans of ravioli, corn, green beans, yams, collards, tuna fish, canned ham, canned chicken, Vienna Sausages, canned pears, peaches, fruit cocktail, apple sauce, peanut butter, jelly, cereal bars, crackers, loaf of bread, toilet paper, toothpaste, dish soap and bleach

You can help by bringing items, helping prepare the bags each month, and/or helping deliver the food bags. Please contact Judy Wesson at 423-5402 if you would like to help.

# **Giving Thanks**

June 20, 2021

STEWARDSHIP

Forecast Weekly Needs	\$50,798.50
Received Sunday	\$48,478.85
Received to Date	\$1,419,803.87
Expenses to Date	\$1,300,223.52
Balance to Date	\$119,580.35

You may give online (shbc.cc), through our app (search *Spring Hill Baptist Mobile AL* in the app store) or mail a check. If you are mailing your gift our address is 2 South McGregor Avenue, 36608.

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Matthew 11:28-29



### **NEW BIBLE STUDIES FOR LADIES**

Our Thursday morning ladies Bible study will resume September 9. We will be studying *Bad Girls of the Bible* by Liz Curtis Higgs. We will read and discuss three chapters each week so it will be a four week study. (Sept 9, 16, 23 & 30). Please read the first three chapters before Sept 9. If you would like to order a book please contact Carol Williams by August 25th at 251-604-4082 or ccec4@comcast.net.

Church C	Office 342-5320	
Dr. Rob Jackson	Interim Pastor	
Rev. Terry Richey	Associate Pastor	
Rev. Randy Grim	Minister of Music	
Rev. Josh Karl	Student & College Pastor	
Erica Holloway	Minister to Children & Families	
Rev. Bill Taylor	Asst. Minister of Music	
Gretchen Crane	Communications Director	
Denise Marsh	Financial Manager	
Beth Klees Financial Assistant/Church Hostess		
Debbie Rice	Children's Music Coordinator	
Missy Powell	Pianist	

#### Activities Center 342-5375

Colleen Smith ... Recreation/Activities Coordinator Enrique Castillo ...... Recreation Ministry Assistant Ashley Johnson ....... Upward Sports Director

Weekday Preschool Education Office 342-6044

In case of emergency over the weekend, you may reach the minister on call at 342-5320. <sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:1–5

THE MESSENGER, (UPS 512-220), IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY, (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MARDI GRAS, JULY 4, THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS) POSTMASTER: SEND ADDRESS CHANGES TO SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH, 2 SOUTH MCGREGOR AVE. MOBILE, ALABAMA 36608 PERIODICAL, POSTAGE PAID MOBILE, ALABAMA

#### **OUR EVER-PRESENT LORD**

Psalm 121:8, "The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore." (ESV)

As I have watched the series "The Chosen," I have been reminded of how the Jews acknowledged Yahweh in their daily lives - prayers of thanks when they rise, prayers before meals, prayers before sleep. They acknowledged that He was King of the Universe. They were conscious of His gifts of food from the earth, of sun, of rain, of bread, of the fruit of the vine. They acknowledged His promise of peace with their greeting to one another, "Shalom" meaning more than just peace but indicating being put right with God, with yourself and with others.

Many of us have practices such as morning devotionals, prayers at meals or evening prayers. These are often regular habits, but I wonder, what if each morning we determined to acknowledge God's presence? For instance, upon rising, thanking Him for rest. At meals, acknowledge His provision from the earth and, when greeting one another, be conscious of His presence with us.

Simply changing some of our old routines and developing new ones, looking for ways to pause and see God's hand in everyday things such as the beauty of our own back yard could help us to see His presence. We could thank God for His provision when we unlock and walk in our back door, or acknowledge His presence as we walk out to go somewhere. After all, He is with us in all these things. It is just a matter of beginning to refocus. How often I forget this. This leads to times when I do pray, that feel as if I must knock on His door rather than realizing He is already with me.

Psalm 139:7-10 states: "Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me." (ESV)

A Celtic Encircling Prayer that is often attributed to St. Patrick is below.

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort me and restore me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in the hearts of all that love me, Christ in the mouth of friend and stranger.

Our Christ is ever present with us. We have the love of the Father, the intercession of the Son and the guidance and comfort of the Holy Spirit ever present. Maybe some of these practices will help us trust our Lord more fully and rest in Him daily.

I'll see you Sunday. Until then, lets together try some of these practices and see what develops.

Terry