

### This Week's Events

**Sunday, October 12th:**  
9:15 AM Walk with Jesus (library)  
9:15 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Morning Worship  
11:45 AM Youth Choir Rehearsal  
11:45 AM JOY Senior Council (SDR)  
4:00 PM Wednesday Praise Team reh.  
4:00 PM Art from the Heart/Mission Kids (gym)  
4:30 PM Youth Praise Band rehearsal  
5:00 PM Handbells rehearsal  
5:00 PM Fields of Faith

**Monday, October 13th:**  
9:30 AM Fun & the Son (room 127)  
6:00 PM Steel Drums rehearsal

**Tuesday, October 14th:**  
10:30 AM Staff Meeting (library)  
1:00 PM India Missions Team departs  
6:00 PM Finance Comm. Mtg. (library)

**Wednesday, October 15th:**  
10:00 AM Wednesday Women (DC)  
6:15 PM Children's Choirs  
6:15 PM Youth Missions Group  
6:30 PM Weeknight Worship  
7:30 PM Chancel Choir rehearsal

**Thursday, October 16th:**  
9:30 AM Fun & the Son (room 127)  
10:00 AM Thursday Small Group (SDR)

#### A Note to Parents of Small Children:

We are glad to have children worship with us as they grow in Christ! You may hear the "sounds of a growing church" from our pews. A couple tips:

1. Relax! God put the wiggle in children - don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.
2. Encourage your child to sing and pray with the congregation. Children learn good behavior in church by copying yours.
3. PreK - 1st graders are invited to Children's Worship when kids are dismissed after the Children's Time. Nursery is available for newborns - 3-year-olds. 2nd - 5th grade students can fill out a worship worksheet and see a pastor to get a prize from our treasure box!

Our services are being filmed & broadcast live on the internet. Recordings can be found at [vintonbaptistchurch.org](http://vintonbaptistchurch.org) or on our app.

## Vinton Baptist Church

### Morning Worship

### October 12, 2025

*Prelude	Wanda Melchers
Welcome & Opportunities at VBC	Whitney Russell
Call to Worship	Chancel Choir
<i>"For the Beauty of the Earth"</i>	
Invocation	Chris Monroe
Hymn No. 356	<i>"We've A Story to Tell"</i>
Passing the Peace of Christ	
The Children's Time	Jodi Estienne
4-year-olds - 1st graders are invited to attend Children's Worship in <a href="#">room 201</a> .	
Hymn No. 361	<i>"We Have Heard the Joyful Sound"</i>
Morning Prayer	Whitney Russell
Offertory	Ken Nicely
Today's Message	Travis Russell
<i>"Why India?"</i> Acts 16:6-15	
Commissioning of the 2025 India Mission Team: Travis Russell, Chris & Mary Beth Monroe, Barbara Shutt, Connie Agee, Erin Berry, Aaron Nicely, Devan Harman, Mathew Parrish, Tray Rives, Tyler Garnett, Dock Epperly, Mark Hough, & Tyler Lyon	
Scope of the Mission Prayers for the Team	Wayne Sink, Mollie Stanley, Lori Rodgers
Invitation	
Hymn of Invitation No. 363	<i>"Let Others See Jesus in You"</i>
Recognition of Response	Travis Russell
Benediction	Justin Rodgers
Postlude	Wanda Melchers

### TODAY

Our usual Sunday activities are taking place today, and we also have two special events:


- **Art from the Heart/Mission Kids** is for all elementary aged students and will meet at 4:00 PM in the gym. Pickup is at 5:30 PM.
- **Fields of Faith** is for all middle and high school students. We will depart from the church at 5 PM and will stop at Chipotle for dinner on the way. Please bring money for dinner. We will return to the church around 8:30 PM.

### Trunk-or-Treat: October 29th!

Jodi is busy organizing this year's Trunk-or-Treat for Wednesday, October 29th at 6 PM. There are two ways that you can help her:

- ⇒ Use this QR code to sign up to host a trunk. We need a total of 30 trunks to have a successful event.
- ⇒ Donate candy (chocolate, hard, or soft candy - please avoid peanuts) in the marked bin at the Missions Tables.

Thanks in advance for your help! Questions? Contact Jodi Estienne at [jodi@vintonbaptistchurch.org](mailto:jodi@vintonbaptistchurch.org).



### JOY Seniors

You're invited for an overnight trip Wednesday & Thursday, November 5th & 6th to **Biltmore Estates** (decorated for Christmas) and the **Billy Graham Library**. Find all the details at the JOY Senior table.

On Tuesday, October 28th we will have our **Fall Festival** with cake walk, pumpkin decorating contest, Jeopardy, Bingo, and much more. There will be prizes! Please plan to bring your own lunch and sign up at the JOY Senior table so that we can prepare for you.

### Gloria Sink Memorial Coat Drive

Throughout the month of October, the JOY Seniors will collect coats/hoodies for area school children in need and will do so in memory of Gloria Sink, who didn't want any child to be cold because of the lack of a warm coat. Please take a tag from the wall above the JOY Senior table, purchase the requested coat/hoodie, attach the tag to the garment, and return it to the rack in the Welcome Center. Thank you!

\*If you are visiting with us today, welcome! Please complete a green Connect Card, which is located in your sanctuary pew pocket; you may drop it in the offering plate or in a wooden prayer box before you leave today. Or you may complete the Connect Card online at [vintonbaptistchurch.org](http://vintonbaptistchurch.org). Thank you!

Operation Christmas Child

It's shoebox time again! We are in need of empty shoeboxes, small balls, dolls, stuffed animals, cars, trucks, school supplies, and other small toys for girls and boys. (We cannot accept toothpaste, liquids, or soap this year.) We also need volunteers to help wrap boxes Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays, 10 AM - 12 PM, in room 109. You can also pick up a wrapped box (and brochure) from the Missions Tables and fill it. The brochure will provide all the details.

Youth Choir Fundraiser Lunch

Thanks to all who supported the Youth Choir Mission Tour through last Sunday's lunch fundraiser. We have our second lunch fundraiser scheduled for Sunday, November 2nd, and tickets are currently on sale for \$10/person. Lunch will be served 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM, and our menu is chili or potato soup with all the fixings, crackers, and dessert. You will have the option to get yours to go. Please purchase a ticket from a Youth Choir member between now and October 26th.

Deacon Nominations for 2026-29

We are accepting nominations for the Fellowship of Deacons whose term begins next year and runs through 2029. Please find in your bulletin a nomination form, which also includes a list of qualifications and expectations for Deacons. Completed nomination forms can be dropped in the box at the Welcome Center and are due by November 2nd. Thank you for prayerfully considering your nominations.

Fun & the Son Pumpkin Patch Party

All children ages newborn - PreK, as well as their adults, are invited to our Pumpkin Patch Party on Monday, October 27th, 10 - 11:30 AM. Get your costumes ready for a fun morning of games, a craft, and a festive brunch. Bring your own bucket for the candy hunt in the sanctuary. See Betty Jo Overstreet with questions.

Preteens (3rd - 5th graders), mark your calendars for our **Preteen Halloween Party** October 26th, 4 - 5:30 PM!

Youth, make plans now for our 2025 **Fall Retreat** at Camp Wilderness Adventure November 7th - 9th. \$100/person. Use this QR code to sign up.



Please help us meet our \$2,200 church goal for this year's **Alma Hunt Offering for State Missions**, as well as our \$1,700 church goal for **World Hunger**. Please use the appropriate giving envelopes or otherwise notate your gift for one of these funds. Thank you!

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Sermon Notes

History

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Why

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