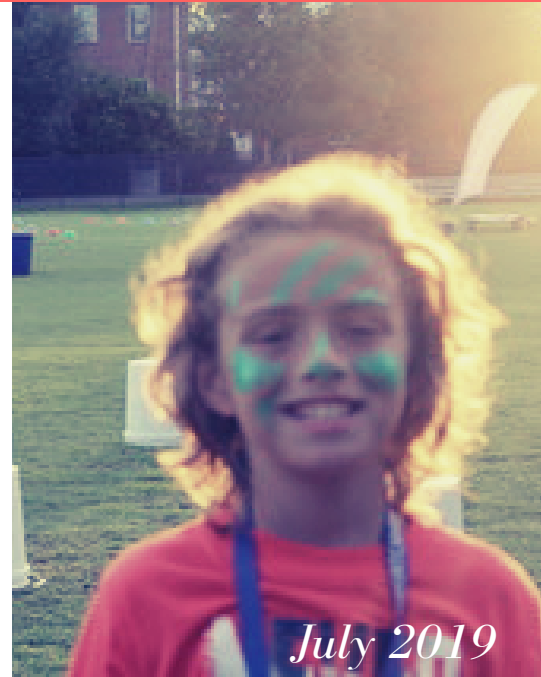


THE HERALD



Pastor Search Committee Report

Thanks to all who participated in the six congregational listening sessions. Your comments were well thought-out and well spoken. Summaries of the comments will be available to the church family during the month of July. Print copies will be in the narthex and church office. Jeanette's weekly emails will have an attachment with the summary.

The Committee is now moving into the "Who We Are" and "Who We Want" definition process. The "Who We Are" will include profiles of Jacksonville, our community, and our church. The "Who We Want" will utilize input from the listening sessions to build a profile of the pastor we are seeking.

Please continue to pray daily for the Committee for God's guidance in all we do.

Lad Daniels, chair
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Jordan England

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A House for a Home

by Britt Hester, Minister of Youth and Christian Education



Prior to our trip to San Raymundo, Guatemala, I told people that we were “gifting a home to a family in need.” After our trip, I see how I was wrong. Let me explain. Prior to our trip, I thought we were indeed going to Guatemala to build a home for a family who desperately needed it. We had seen their current living situation and heard the stories of their desire to live in a safer and more sustainable home. It made sense why I, and I’m sure my fellow teammates, felt we were providing a home to the Xuya family.

But the truth is a home already existed. No, there wasn’t a concrete foundation, a solid roof, or well-constructed walls, but there was a home. You see, the Xuya family, despite having limited electricity, no plumbing, plywood & tin scraps for walls, and blankets as doors, had each other. I don’t say that to be trite or cheesy. This family, despite living in extreme poverty and desolation, lived with such joy and peace. And they shared that joy and peace with everyone. Each day they would bring our team fresh fruit from a friend’s nearby garden. On the last day, they cooked us a traditional Guatemalan meal with their own food and supplies. And they helped us complete the build by filling in for team members who were sick during the week.

While it may have seemed that we were providing a home for this sweet family, the truth is we were building them a house. The home already existed, for home is a place where love and grace permeate, and regardless of the circumstances, you feel safe. The Head and the Heart, one of my favorite bands, write in their song “Lost in My Mind” that, “You’re already home where you feel loved.” This family was already home before we arrived. Now they have a house to shelter and accommodate the depth of that love for one another.

Narrative Lectionary for July:

JULY 7

PSALM 40:1-10

(LUKE 17:11-19)

JULY 14

HEBREWS 1:1-4 (JOHN 1:1-5)

JULY 21

HEBREWS 2:10-18

(MATTHEW 12:46-50)

JULY 28

HEBREWS 4:14--5:10

(MATTHEW 26:36-40)

Welcome New Member!



Simon Carter joins his parents Dennie and Julie Carter as well as his older sister, Ramona, in joining HAB through a profession of faith. Simon is 6 years old and enjoys Star Wars (in fact his sixth birthday was his *sith* birthday) and loves playing Pokemon Go. Simon is an avid Disney fan and is getting ready to start drum lessons!

Kitchen Corner

By Sharon Maszy

Phyllis Diller (who remembers her?) said, “The best way to get rid of kitchen odors: eat out.” As the HAB kitchen is closed, and very clean-smelling, as of June 12, I encourage you to watch the bulletin and emails for the locations of the Wednesday Summer Supper Meet-ups. Don’t miss a midweek meal with your church family if you are in town.

Some of our fondest memories are made gathered around the table with family and friends in the fellowship hall. I look back on the school year we’ve just completed and treasure our Wednesday nights together. We had great steaks when Kyle and Gene challenged each other to a cook-off! That should be a repeat event! I love cooking with my sister-in-law, Lavina Williams. The chicken paprika she made for us last February is a Maszy family favorite. Maybe we can get her to do it again next year. I would love to hear your favorite memories.

This summer we can make new memories with our Independence Day Luncheon on Sunday, June 30 (by reservation) including lunch and entertainment! We will also welcome friends and family to our tables at the VBS meal on Wednesday evening, July 10. I hope you will make both these events part of your summer plans.

Summer is the time to shake up our routines, take a well-deserved break, and be refreshed. The HAB kitchen ministry will be doing all three, but also trying some new recipes and planning for the fall. Hopefully, we’ll come up with some delicious new menus, but never leave the old favorites out!

Summer Supper Meet-ups!

JULY 3: NO MEET-UP

JULY 10 VBS NIGHT!
(NO MEET-UP BUT
PLEASE JOIN US AT
5:30 P.M. FOR
DINNER & VBS NIGHT
AT HAB)

JULY 17
SEAFOOD ISLAND IN
SAN MARCO

JULY 24
LOOP IN SAN MARCO

JULY 31
SOUTH KITCHEN
3638 PARK STREET

NO RESERVATIONS
NEEDED!

JUST MEET UP AT
THE RESTAURANT AT
5:30 P.M. AND ENJOY
TIME WITH HAB
FRIENDS!

Interfaith Trip to Israel

Join an Interfaith Trip to Israel JULY 19 – 29, 2020, presented by the Jewish Federation of Jacksonville in cooperation with two Scholars in Residence: Rabbi Elizabeth Bahar, Congregation Ahavath Chesed, & Dr. Kyle Reese, Deputy Director of OneJax. Visit the most important Jewish and Christian sites throughout Israel; celebrate Shabbat in Jerusalem; and experience the tastes, sounds, culture, and history of Israel. To learn more about this unique opportunity to explore Israel and to learn about these two faiths, please contact Jewish Federation Executive Director Alan Margolies at 904.224.1410 or alanm@jewishjacksonville.org.

Setting a FEARLESS Example

By Claire Chinn, Minister of Children and Mission

PassportKids Camp is a jam-packed four-day camp for our kids to explore and learn more about God and themselves. This year's theme is "Fear Less: Love More. Fearless." This is a word I am not sure many of our kids need help with. Trust me; after spending four straight days with our children, they've got the fearless thing down pat.

However, our kids learned about fearless a little differently at camp. They learned how to Stay Awake (to God's presence in our world), Stand Firm in our faith, Be Brave, and Love Always. They learned how each one of these actions helps them to be Fearless in their faith. But they also learned another side to these actions. They heard stories and were given examples of people who lived into these actions. Not only did they hear specific stories, like Ruby Bridges; they heard stories of HOW these people learned to be fearless in their faith.

To me the HOW was the most important part of camp. The kids learned that they can't live into the above actions by themselves. Ruby Bridges' mom taught her how to pray and love always. So when she was faced with hate, she followed her mom's example and prayed and loved.

PassportKids was not a stand-alone four-day event—it was something that catapulted us into living differently. I left our kids with a challenge each night of camp, and that was to think of and find people in their lives who push them to be better people, better Christians.

Now I issue that challenge to you. Whom will you believe in; whom will you push to be better? Whom will you pray with and for? How will you teach someone to Be Brave in the face of uncertainty? Our children, all the way to our aged children (also known as our senior adults), need examples in their lives of what it means to Fear Less and to Love More. So what example are you going to set today?



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Parents, we've moved Vacation Bible School up a little this year to July 8-12 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Please register your child as a participant as soon as possible. You can also sign up to volunteer on our website at habchurch.com/childrens-ministry or text "vbs" to 904-297-4007.

JOIN US FOR DINNER
during VBS week on
Wednesday, July 10, at
5:30 p.m.

The Bookshelf

by Julie Babcock, Church Librarian

Summer is a good time to catch up on your reading, but with no Wednesday night activities, the library will not be open on Wednesdays. That means you need to plan ahead and take a few minutes before Sunday Bible Study or worship to visit the Library Media Center and get your books, returning any you have finished. There are a couple of new non-fiction titles you might like by experts in their fields: *Leadership in Turbulent Times* by Doris Kearns Goodwin, and *The Pioneers* by David McCullough. There are also two new releases on order, expected any day, a Baldacci book and one by Clive Cussler.

I still need a couple of Sunday morning volunteers. Just 15 minutes of your time prior to worship is all it takes. Please email me at babjc@comcast.net, or call me (see directory) if you are able to do this once every two months. This summer is a good time to rest, relax, and read!



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NEWS FROM THE CHURCH FAMILY

Sympathy to...

...Brian & Julie Baggett Kivett & family in the death of Brian's father, Charles Kivett, on May 19, 2019.

...Martha Douberly and family in the death of Layla Skelton, mother of Martha's son-in-law. Layla died on May 26, 2019, and the service was in Keystone on May 30.

...Darren, Michel, Hill, & Owen Moses in the death of Darren's mother on June 12, 2019.

Congratulations to...

...the Zebouni family on the birth of Addilyn Whitley Zebouni on May 28, 2019. Addilyn weighed 7 lbs. 3 ozs. Parents are Megan & Jordan Zebouni. Grandparents are DeLynn & Gabe Zebouni, and great-grandparents are Sylvia & Bill Whitley.

THE OFFERING PLATE

	Sept '18-Apr '19	May '19	Year to Date
Offerings & Other Revenue	\$784,374	\$86,356	\$870,730
Expenses	(812,733)	(108,174)	(920,907)
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(28,359)	(21,819)	(50,177)
Budgeted Offerings & Other Revenue	844,470	105,559	950,029
Above/(Below) Budget	(60,096)	(19,203)	(79,299)
# Days Operating Cash on Hand (period-end)	31.37	17.82	

Primetimers are ON THE MOVE!

Music, musicals, and more, oh my!!!!

The Primetimers have lots of exciting plans for the rest of 2019 and 2020. For many of these we must purchase tickets in advance to get a discount. If you are interested in attending, please call or text Debbie Hagan at 904-860-3528 or email at debhagan@comcast.net.

Hooray for Hollywood Concert Jacksonville Symphony Coffee Series & lunch at Juliette's
Friday, October 18, 11:00 \$24.60 + lunch

***Wicked* FSCJ Artist Series**

Thursday, November 21, 1:30 Cost TBD

***Bandstand* FSCJ Artist Series**

Saturday, February 22, 2:00 \$47.50

Patriotic Pops Concert Jacksonville Symphony Coffee Series & lunch at Juliette's
Friday, May 22, 11:00 \$24.60 + lunch

Other upcoming events include the Camp Blanding Museum, the Jacksonville Zoo, lunch at Clara's at the Cathedral with a tour of St John's Cathedral, and breakfast at Cracker Barrel.

Watch for announcements when these are scheduled.

JULY CALENDAR

Tuesday, July 2

1:00 p.m.....Prayer Shawl Ministry: D-1

Wednesday, July 3- NO SUMMER SUPPER MEET-UP

Thursday, July 4- Church Office Closed

Sunday, July 7

9:00-9:30 a.m.....Coffee & Refreshments: Chapel
9:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m.....Sunday Bible Study
10:30-11:30 a.m.....Combined Worship: Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.....Romanian Church: Chapel
7:00 p.m.....Burmese Church: Chapel

July 8-12 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL9:00 a.m-noon

Wednesday, July 10-VBS NIGHT AT HAB5:30-7:00 p.m

5:30-6:30 p.m..... Meal Served: FH
until 7:00 p.m.....VBS Night: Outside(inflatables)

Sunday, July 14

9:00-9:30 a.m.....Coffee & Refreshments: Chapel
9:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m.....Sunday Bible Study
10:30-11:30 a.m.....Combined Worship: Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.....Romanian Church: Chapel
7:00-8:30 p.m.....Sanctuary Choir: Choir Room

July 15-19 Youth Passport Camp

Monday, July 15

5:30-6:45 p.m..... Sulzbacher Feeding

Wednesday, July 17

5:30 p.m.....Summer Supper Meet-Up
Seafood Island: San Marco
7:00-8:30 p.m.....Sanctuary Choir: Choir Room

Sunday, July 21

9:00-9:30 a.m.....Coffee & Refreshments: Chapel
9:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m.....Sunday Bible Study
10:30-11:30 a.m.....Combined Worship: Sanctuary
11:45 p.m.....Quarterly Conference: FH
4:00 p.m.....Romanian Church: Chapel
7:00 p.m.....Burmese Church: Chapel

Quarterly Conference

Sunday, July 21, 11:45 p.m. in the fellowship hall

If you will be joining us for lunch, please contact Laraine at laraine@habchurch.com or 904-396-7745 x333 by Wednesday, July 1, to make a reservation.

- Election of Deacons
- Election of Committees and Teams
- Vote on annual church calendar

Wednesday, July 24

5:30 p.m.....Summer Supper Meet-Up
The Loop: San Marco
7:00-8:30 p.m.....Sanctuary Choir: Choir Room

Sunday, July 28

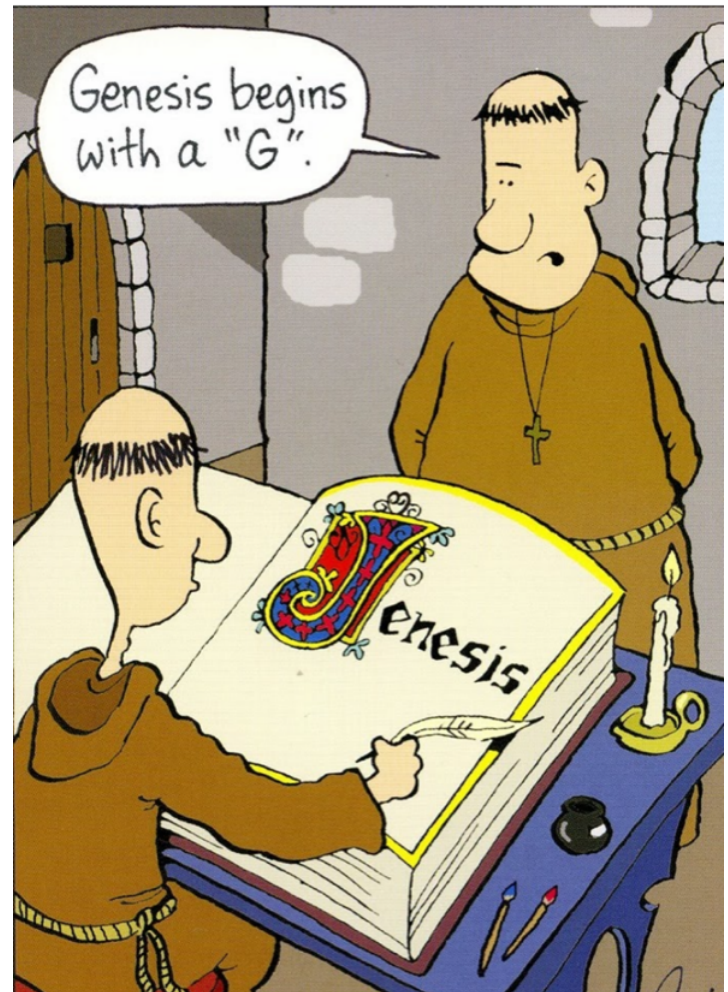
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10:30-11:30 a.m.....Combined Worship: Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.....Romanian Church: Chapel
7:00 p.m.....Burmese Church: Chapel

Wednesday, July 31

5:30 p.m.....Summer Supper Meet-Up
South Kitchen: 3638 Park Street
7:00-8:30 p.m.....Sanctuary Choir: Choir Room

Your Monthly Funnies

by Gene Maszy





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