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# THE CROSSROADS

## Sea You at The Beach! 2017 Beach RETREAT SEPTEMBER 1-4



BCOC is headed south for the 35<sup>th</sup> annual beach retreat over Labor Day Weekend! Join your church family for food and fellowship in sunny Panama City Beach, Florida at the Laguna Beach "Resort." Meals are included and the schedule is light so that you can stick your feet in the sand and enjoy your chosen family.

We will kick off the weekend on Friday after supper for an ice cream social hosted by your beach retreat committee, and you can look forward to a repeat of last year's volleyball tournament on Sunday night following worship. Drexel Rayford is the adult study leader this year! He will tell stories and teach lessons for the adults after lunch Saturday and Sunday and will lead worship on Sunday evening on the beach. The kids will get in on the action with chaperoned kid time during adult study and some games on Saturday night.



**Early registration starts July 16<sup>th</sup> and forms will be available on the church website and in print at church each Sunday until August 13<sup>th</sup>.** Please read the registration forms carefully, as they will explain priorities of housing and asking you for some information that may resurface at some point in the weekend. Scholarships will again be available and we ask that anyone who is able to donate to the scholarship fund do so with their registration!

Please email me at [scoots1111@gmail.com](mailto:scoots1111@gmail.com) if you have any specific questions or think of ways in which you would like to help us execute this incredible weekend!

– Rachel Butler

## Clean and Clear Five Points South 3.0

Clean & Clear Five Points South is a quarterly cleanup event in partnership with area stakeholders. From trash collection to clearing sidewalks and greenery efforts, this is your day to give back to Five Points South.

**WHEN** – Saturday, July 22, 2017 - 8:30am to 4pm

- \* 8:30am to 9am - Volunteer Check-in
- \* 9am to 11:30am - SHIFT 1
- \* 12pm to 1:30pm - Volunteer Lunch
- \* 1:30pm to 4pm - SHIFT 2

*On the sign-up form please let us know which shift you can work.*

**WHERE** – Valley View Park (located at the end of 19th Ave. S). Check-in in the gazebo located in the center of the park.

**WHAT** – All we need you to bring is the manpower and the following; gloves, shovels, cutters and rakes. **We will need a number of wheelbarrows and buckets to move debris.**

**WHO** – Anyone! Sign up as an individual or gather a team.

**SIGN-UP TODAY** – Volunteers can register to participate by clicking [HERE](#).



## BIBLE STUDY

**NEW CLASS**

Beginning Thursday, September 7, LaMon Brown will be teaching a 10-week class entitled "**The Psalms and Prayer: How Psalms May Improve Your Prayer Life.**"

The class will recognize that the Psalms were both the ancient prayer book of Israel and the earliest hymn book used by the church. Together the class will look at the Psalms to discover different paths for a fuller prayer life and some by-ways best left untraveled. The class will meet on Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30. The class will meet 10 times, ending on November 9.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### SouthTown Arts Camp

July 17 – 20

It's time for Arts Camp 2017! Camp will be held at the gym in SouthTown from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. during the week of July 17-20. There will be music, games, stories and crafts! All BCOC and SouthTown children, Kindergarten through grade 5, are invited to attend. Adults and youth are invited to participate as leaders and helpers in activities. If your child would like to attend, or if you would like to help, please contact Carol Dean or Valerie Burton.



## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

### Donations for Cuba

Below is a list of items our sister church, Shalom Baptist in Boca de Mariel, Cuba needs. Please bring these items and place them in the box in the foyer to the sanctuary. Thanks for all of your help.

1. Any type of ibuprofen and acetaminophen (pills & creams)
2. Paint brushes (for walls)
3. Vitamin C
4. Vitamin E
5. 85mg (baby) aspirin
6. Glucosamine
7. Adult multivitamins
8. Children's multivitamins
9. Flash drives for all ages (16 gigabytes)



### Take What You Need

**For July:** Travel-size sunscreen and deodorant  
Quart size ziplock bags are needed especially!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

JOIN TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
FOR A CONCERT

BENEFITING FAMILY PROMISE OF  
BIRMINGHAM

# AMERICAN MUSICAL PORTRAITS *Sacred and Secular*

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017

6:30 PM, Sanctuary

1400 Oxmoor Road, Homewood, Alabama 35209

*Dessert reception following the concert*



*Featuring*  
**BEN BRAFFORD**  
Greensboro, NC

Ben will perform a piano selection of beloved hymn medleys, popular Broadway show tunes, and patriotic music. He received the Master of Music degree in piano performance and the Doctoral of Musical Arts degree from UNC-Greensboro. Serving as Organist and Choirmaster at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Greensboro, he conducts four choirs weekly and is Director of the Holy Trinity Music School. He maintains a piano studio at Holy Trinity Music School and fosters a love of music with students of all ages.

**\$15** | *Suggested Ticket Donation*  
( or \$100 donation for 10 tickets )

Tickets may be purchased through Trinity's office, from Family Promise Board Members, or by calling 205-918-0246.

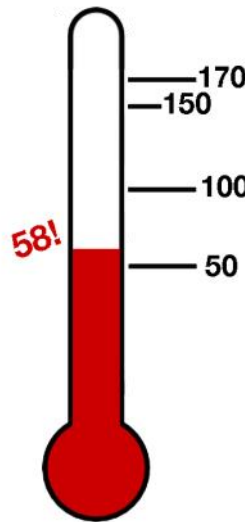
Ticket donations may also be made online:  
[www.trinitybirmingham.com](http://www.trinitybirmingham.com)

Checks should be made payable to Greater Birmingham UM United Appeal Fund, Inc. Donations are tax deductible.

## Chairs Fund

### **Each One Buy One**

Would you join us in purchasing new chairs for the fellowship hall? The chairs are \$45 each. (We need a total of 170 chairs.) So far, we have received funds that will purchase 58 chairs. If each one bought one, we would be completely set. If you are willing, please send your check designated for "chairs" through the end of July.



Painting is complete. Lights are up, and ceiling tiles are being installed.

## JULY Birthdays

Andrew Evans 7/12  
Jill Blach 7/14  
Alea Cain 7/14  
Rod Davis 7/15  
Eugenia Taylor 7/15  
Liza Mulvihill 7/17  
Zack Graves 7/18  
Willie Fortune 7/19  
Jerry Grantland 7/20  
Marshall Burton 7/21  
Dudley Fortune 7/22

Victoria Evans 7/23  
Michael Baswell 7/24  
Walter Furman 7/25  
Steve Johnson 7/25  
Robin Demonia 7/25  
Jeff Barton 7/27  
Lovell Litton 7/28  
Jimmy Hawley 7/28  
Betsy Weidenbach 7/30  
Caroline Humphreys 7/31  
Susan Richardson 7/31

## CHURCH BUSINESS

**Weeks of June 19 and  
June 26, 2017**

General Fund \$15,741.00  
Building Fund \$1210.00

**Week of July 2, 2017**

General Fund \$14,012.00  
Building Fund \$145.00

**General Fund Gifts needed each week to meet the  
2017 Budget: \$13,312**

*The indebtedness of the church is \$552,624.33*



## PRAYER CONCERNS



### Home

Eleanor Traylor  
Judy Bridgers  
Sarah Wilson

Bob Powell, Cottondale  
Christian Church,  
Cottondale, AL

Shalom Baptist Church  
Corita Blanco  
Boca de Mariel, Cuba

Elizabeth Lott, St. Charles  
Avenue Baptist Church,  
New Orleans, LA

**DEACON OF THE WEEK: LYNDASAY COGDILL, 863-712-0765**

**Sunday, July 9, Installation of Taylor Bell**

*Helpers Pickup* – Bill & Suzann Smith  
 8:30 a.m. – *Lobby Monitors* – Robbie King, David Litton  
 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. – *Alley Door Monitor*– Melanie Lanier, Jeff Barton  
 9:00 a.m. – Morning Worship  
*Greeters, Ushers & Offering* – Monty Hogewood, Jean Thomason, Matthew & Karen Stinnett, Bob Duffy, Paula Heifner  
*Worship Care* – Carol Dean, Leigha McLendon, Katy Grace Bateman, Julie Burge  
 9:00 a.m.. – 10:15 a.m. – *Glass Lobby Greeters* – Allan Burton  
 10:00 a.m.. – *Coffee Fellowship* – Bill & Faith Stockton, Carol Watson  
 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School  
*Offering Counters* – Frank McCrory, Susan Richardson  
*Helpers Class* – Brian Berthiaume  
*Building Lockup* – David Hoefelman  
 11:30 a.m. – Deacons Meeting

**Monday, July 10**

10:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting  
 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Overeaters Anonymous

**Tuesday, July 11**

GBM Lunch Packers, BMMC  
 Foster Kids' Clothes Closet, DHR – Pat Hawley  
 12:00 p.m. – Southside Faith Community, BMMC

**Wednesday, July 12**

GBM Lunch Packers, BMMC  
*Check Signers* – David Henderson, Jenny Smith

**Thursday, July 13**

GBM Lunch Packers, BMMC

**Saturday, July 15**

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Saturday Morning Grocery Ministry  
 Brian Berthiaume, Susan Jackson

**Cuba Trip Participants**

Please pray daily for: Katy Grace Bateman, Valerie Burton, Dianne Daniels, Lynda Grooms, John Hollis, Dan Lawhon, Sherrie Lawhon, Matthew Ponder, Rick Traylor, Eleanore Yarbrough, and Nancy Yarbrough.

**DEACON OF THE WEEK: DAVID GOODWIN, 205-910-7748**

**Sunday, July 16**

*Helpers Pickup* – Esther Gardner, Becky Belcher  
 8:30 a.m. – *Lobby Monitors* – Mark Burge, Rick Mitchell  
 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. – *Alley Door Monitors* – Ann Elizabeth McInvale, Jill Holley  
 9:00 a.m. – Morning Worship  
*Greeters, Ushers & Offering* – Faith & Bill Stockton, Kelly Mitchell, Sharon Chappell, Elaine Stephens, Jenny Smith  
*Worship Care* – Susan Richardson, Pat Brown, Peggy Sanderford Ponder, Jason Hall  
 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. – *Glass Lobby Greeters* – Scott Russell  
 10:00 a.m. – *Coffee Fellowship* – Cindy Goodwin, George Crear  
 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School  
 10:30 a.m. – Covenant 101  
*Offering Counters* – Pat Hawley, Susan Richardson  
*Helpers Class* – Brian Berthiaume  
*Building Lockup* – David Hoefelman  
 11:45 a.m.. – 12:15 p.m. – Finance Committee  
 12:15 p.m.. – 1:15 p.m. – Council on Mission

**Monday, July 17**

10:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting  
 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Overeaters Anonymous  
 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – SouthTown Arts Camp

**Tuesday, July 18**

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – SouthTown Arts Town

**Wednesday, July 19**

*Check Signers* – Morgan Ponder, Jenny Smith  
 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – SouthTown Arts Camp

**Thursday, July 20**

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – SouthTown Arts Camp

**Saturday, July 22**

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Saturday Morning Grocery Ministry  
 Brian Vaughn, Jeff Barton

**Worship, July 9  
 Sermon by Sarah Shelton**

First Reading            Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67  
 Second Reading        Romans 7:15-25a  
 Third Reading            Matthew 11:16-19, 28-30

**Worship, July 16  
 Sermon by Sarah Shelton**

First Reading            Genesis 28:10-19a  
 Second Reading        Roman 8:12-25  
 Third Reading            Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43