

CATAWBA FOCUS

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We're reminded that if God in His goodness "clothes the grass of the field" in beauty and splendor - then how much more will He provide for the needs of all His children. In this season, where the colors of summer are in full array, let us pause to remember that the Almighty's care extends into each of our lives and the care of His church.

God makes all things beautiful. He creates, ordains, restores and brings life! In the brightness of all things summer, let's pause to give praise to the One who is the Father of all good things!

Our good Father always knows what we need and we trust in His good hands. Let us praise and thank our Heavenly Father for His abundant beauty!

THE CATAWBA FOCUS

MEADOW CAMPUS UPDATE

We're over HALFWAY!

Only \$88,000 remains on the meadow campus loan balance.

Thank you for praying, giving, and trusting our Great God to supply the remaining balance.

A special "building fund" has been established for the purchase of the property and future development. Special gifts may be designated toward the meadow campus property at any time.



SUMMER FAMILY NIGHTS

INTERGENERATIONAL. INTERACTIVE.
INTENTIONAL. LOTS OF FUN!

Wednesdays in the Summer

INTERGENERATIONAL FAMILY WORSHIP

It's summer time, and that means Summer Family Nights are back! Join us each Wednesday for a time of intergenerational, interactive, and intentional family worship. Throughout the summer, we are studying the different "I AM" statements of Jesus. Every week will feature exciting activities, delicious food, interactive teaching, fun family competition, and many opportunities to earn points for your team!

The gatherings are at various locations around the community. In the case of inclement weather, services will be moved to the Mountain Campus on RT. 779. If any changes are made to the schedule, all information may be found on our website. Below you'll find a schedule of the events for each week. In addition to the food specifics on the schedule, please bring a folding chair or blanket for all locations not held at the Mountain Campus. Food and drinks will be provided by the church unless otherwise noted.

All the excitement begins June 7th at 6:30pm at the Meadow Campus! The first night will feature a cookout and ultimate frisbee. Check out the link below for complete schedule.

Summer Family Nights
Locations & Activities



Part-time Pastoral Ministry Assistant

DYLAN SCAGLIONE JOINED THE MINISTRY STAFF

We are pleased to welcome Dylan Scaglione to the ministry staff as our Pastoral Ministry Assistant!

The pastor and deacons recently approved the creation of a temporary position to assist our church congregation while we continue to search for an Associate Pastor of Student Ministries and Mobilization.

Dylan graciously stepped into this new role and is serving on a part-time basis until the position of Associate Pastor of Student Ministries and Mobilization is filled.

Broadly, Dylan assists in areas of pastoral care, ministry operations, and student ministry. We're excited to have Dylan as a part of the staff team!



Associate Pastor Search Update

TO GOD'S GLORY AND THE GOOD OF HIS CHURCH

The office of pastor encompasses many responsibilities. As we look to Scripture, we discover that pastors have four primary responsibilities including: *leading* under the authority of Christ (Acts 20:28), *caring* for the body of Christ (1 Peter 5:1-4), *teaching* the Word of Christ (1 Timothy 3:2), and *modeling* the character of Christ (Titus 1:6-9).

The Scriptures describe how pastors serve as under-shepherds to the Chief Shepherd, the Lord Jesus Christ. The ministry of an under-shepherd is not simply a job, but rather it is a vocation, the answering of a specific call from God.

We are prayerfully looking for someone to join our pastoral team. The position we are seeking is a full-time Associate Pastor to fill the role of Students & Mobilization. This position serves within the pastoral leadership team to develop, promote, and execute a comprehensive program for student ministries (children to college-age) as well as oversee the development, life and direction of the ministries of the church, so that they fulfill our mission and reflect our core values.

We are prayerfully trusting God's guidance for who He has for us. As we continue our staff search, we invite you to join us in three specific ways.

First, to pray. Ask the LORD for godly wisdom and spirit-filled discernment to surround our associate pastor search committee. The associate pastor search committee consists of Leah Finch (Chair), Eric Daniels, Tim McClure, Debbie Ronk, Justin St. Clair, and our Senior Pastor, Aaron Mansfield.

Second, to trust. Trust in the Spirit of God's leading for His congregation. Trust the process and those appointed by the congregation to serve in this process.

Third, help us to spread the word! A description of the position and link for application may be found on the homepage of our website: catawbavalleybc.org.

By faith we anticipate what the LORD will do in the days ahead for His glory and the good of His church. In the meantime, we're beyond grateful for so many volunteers who are faithfully serving to fill the gaps of ministry need. Let us praise the LORD!



Adventure Awaits at VBS!

JULY 24-28 | K3-6TH GRADE | 6:30-8:30PM

We are engaged in an epic battle for the hearts and minds of our youth. Every day, they're bombarded with lies about who they are, who their Creator is, and where their salvation comes from. Thankfully, God has given His children armor to wear in this battle between truth and lies, light and darkness, good and evil.

Join us for VBS and be equipped with the armor of God to become Keepers of the Kingdom and stand strong in today's battle for truth. Sign-up to volunteer by contacting our VBS director, Sara Blankenship. Pre-registration opens June 1st.

Teen & Junior Summer Camps

CAMP EAGLE (JUNIORS) | JUNE 12-16
THE WILDS (TEENS) | JUNE 12-17

Thank you for your incredible generosity to our student ministries! This past year our Wild Game Dinner Fundraiser raised the largest amount for students in the history of CVBC Student Ministry fundraisers!

This summer 18 students (10 teens and 8 juniors) plus sponsors will attend summer camp for a week of spiritual enrichment! Pray for lives to be changed for the glory of God! Many students were awarded full-ride scholarships to summer camp at our recent Student Awards Ceremony.



Guatemala Mission Trip

JULY 8 - 14 | WORLD REACH MISSIONS

In July, a team of eight from our church will partner with World Reach Missions for a mission trip to Guatemala. The team will serve alongside mission directors, Bobby & Willene Byrd, and a local church in Guatemala to assist with an evangelistic medical clinic, street ministry, afterschool ministry, and much more!



UPCOMING EVENTS 2023

JUNE

7 | Summer Family Night
12-16 | Camp Eagle (Juniors)
12-17 | The Wilds (Teens)

JULY

8-14 | Guatemala Mission Trip
24-28 | Vacation Bible School

AUGUST

16 | Last Summer Family Night
25-27 | Sight & Sound Trip

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