



BASCOMB NEWS

AUGUST 3, 2023

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a Church Council Meeting Immediately following the 11AM service on Sunday, August 6th in the Fellowship Hall. There will be only one item to discuss and vote on in this meeting. Per a letter dated 7/27/23 from Dr. Beth Sanders, our District Superintendent, the Church Council must vote again “to reaffirm their desire for a vote” for our church on whether or not to disaffiliate from the UMC.



Feeding the Multitude Matthew 14:13-21

August 6—Holy Communion
“Not Your Ordinary Miracle” - Matthew 14: 13-21

You may notice in our reading for this Sunday that there are some unanswered questions. *Like what had happened to cause Jesus to get into a boat all by himself?* If you notice in the prior verses of Matthew 14, you will see that King Herod had killed Jesus’ cousin, John the Baptist. This surely would have caused Jesus to grieve the loss of his cousin and want to be alone.

Another question might be, why didn’t the large crowds go on their own to find food for themselves when it was later in the day? Because Jesus had something to teach the disciples. They tried to get Jesus to send the people off to the nearby villages for food, but Jesus told the disciples to find some food to feed the people.

The disciples come back later and say that they only had 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish. Jesus told them to bring the food to him. After he had blessed the bread and the fish, Jesus had the people sit down. He then gave the meal to the disciples, who then passed it onto the crowd.

After the crowd had their fill of the meal, the disciples went around and picked twelve baskets of bread and fish. Now our reading is usually called the feeding of 5,000 but according to verse 20, that number was for the 5,000 men who were there. *This brings along another question.* Who knows how many women and children there were also? Counting both the women and children, some theologians estimate the crowd as high as 12,000 people total. How in the world did Jesus feed all of those people? Believe it or not, that’s the wrong question. *The right question is why would Jesus feed all of those people?* Because he loved them and had compassion for them. The same reasons he had when Jesus went to the cross for them and for everyone else who have placed their faith in him, including us.

UMM Rafting Ocoee River Trip

Saturday Aug. 5th

\$58.00 per person—money due by Monday July 31st.

Contact Charlie McLemore for more details. 404-863-6457



Bascomb Kids

Parent Meeting: Sunday
August 6th @ 4:45PM in
the Big Room



Youth Group

Parent Meeting: Sunday
August 6th @ 5PM in the
Youth Wing



Bascomb Family & Friends

MEETING SUNDAY AUGUST 13TH

Please join us after the 11AM service in the Fellowship Hall!

You're welcome to bring your lunch.

See Steve & Kathi Underwood for details.



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