

Let us gather as a community to celebrate the blessings that surround us.



# Nourishing Our Souls: A Reflection on the new year

By Pastor Tyler Flowers

Hello church Family and Friends, What a wonderful start to the year so far. I am so proud of our staff who have been working hard in getting us off on the right foot. I am also incredibly grateful for our lay leadership (Thats you!) who continue to step up and handle what needs to be done at the church.

I have been at Bascomb for 6 months now and it has given me a lot of time to discern and to be in prayer for our church and how we can reach out to our community. We finished our sermon series on Religious Trauma and now are focusing on hospitality.

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#### **Sunday Services**

With Pastor Tyler Flowers

10:00 - 11:00 am

### **Sunday Schools**

Chapman Prime Movers Travelers

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

#### **Bascomb Kids**

With China Allmon, Children's Director

Sundays 4:00 - 6:00 pm

#### Youth - LOFT

With Nick Yother, Youth Director

Sundays 4:00 - 6:00 pm

This has been a journey for me personally. It helps me approach each person in an individual way. We all have things that have happened in our lives that shape us to be who we are today. Some of those things are not always good. It is our job to approach each person with grace knowing that they have a story to tell about who they are.

Jesus saw all the people for who they were and for where they were in their lives.

I am excited. I believe 2025 will be a year of redemption for Bascomb. We just have to stay patient and do what my mom always taught me. "Do our best and let God do the rest."

Blessings for this new year, Pastor Tyler

# From our Children's Director, China Allmon

The fall semester and holiday season were fantastic for Bascomb Kids, closing out with taking part in the Christmas Eve service. We explored the birth and life of Jesus through December. After taking a few weeks off due to the weather and holidays, we had six children join us for our first week back in the new year.

We learned that according to Psalm 23, God is constantly with us, loving and caring for us, regardless of how big or how many troubles we experience in life. We anticipate a fantastic start to the new year following our much-needed vacation and rest.

Grace and Peace, China Allmon

# From our Youth Director, Nick Yother

Hello Church Family! What a blessing it is to serve as the vouth minister here at Bascomb. We had an awesome fall semester and look forward to what is coming up in this winter season. We meet in the LOFT each Sunday from 4-6pm and our focus each and every week is to Live Our Faith Together, which is why we call it the LOFT. We spent a large part of the semester going back to the basics of faith and laying a foundation for us to build off of. We have had the opportunity to minister to 11 different youth over that time frame and consistently see between 6-8 kids every Sunday. We have done several fun outings like Bowling, Bonfire at the pastors (Thanks Flowers fam for hosting), and Corn Maize.

Last semester was great but I do want to say the best is yet to come. We are excited to dive deeper into scripture this month and we will be having a special game night this month called "Palentines" on February 9th during our normal youth group time. With there being Winter Break we will not have our normally scheduled youth group on Feb 16th but do not fret, we will be back on the 23rd!

If you are reading this and are interested in serving with the youth as a volunteer or would like to provide snacks for the evening every now and then please reach out and let me know.

In the grip of grace, Nick Yother

# From our Preschool Director, Kathi Underwood

The 2024-2025 school year has been an awesome year for us; the preschool has 75 active, supportive families who helped us in fundraising activities as well as in our request for supply donations. But best of all, they are loving and helpful in whatever we need to provide an excellent experience for their children!

In the fall, we had a well-attended grandparent event with over 100 guests. We also hosted a fun trunk or treat for just the preschool families, served a Thanksgiving feast to over 250 guests and welcomed a full sanctuary twice in December for two Christmas pageant presentations.

Because of our Pastor's participation and encouragement, our preschool families are getting to know Tyler and are expressing interest in attending our church, so we have seen some new faces in the services.

BUMP opened 2025-2026 registration on January 21 to currently enrolled families and church members. We anticipate filling quickly and will open registration to the public as of February 25. If interested in registering or you know of a family who would like to attend, please have them contact the preschool director at kathi@bascombpreschool.com.

We are proud that our boys and girls participate in chapel every week with Ms. China, who is our chapel and

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music teacher. We hope to provide them with a foundation that will be with them for life as we share Bible stories, praise songs and prayer time.

The month of January has been one of weather interruptions, but our families and staff have stayed steady in meeting our goals. We are looking forward to celebrating Valentine's Day this month, hosting a Scholastic Book Fair in March, conducting parent teacher conferences in March and best of all, Easter and Spring!

Kathi Underwood, Preschool Director

# From our Adult Activities Director, Whitney Gaeta

Looking Ahead: A Year of Growth and Connection at Bascomb.

We kicked off the new year with excitement, energy, and a renewed sense of purpose at Bascomb!

From weekly exercise classes that promote health and fellowship to our vibrant crafters club sparking creativity and connection, we are creating spaces where faith, friendship, and community flourish. Special programs, engaging events, and meaningful gatherings are just the beginning of what's in store for 2025!

Our mission is to be a welcoming and thriving hub for both our church family and the greater community. That's why we're actively spreading the word about all that's happening at Bascomb through multiple platforms—social media, local magazine ads, flyers in businesses and gathering places, and personal invitations delivered to over 4,000 homes. We want everyone to know: there is a place for you here at Bascomb!

As we continue to grow, we invite you to be a part of this exciting journey.

Whether you're looking to share your talents, volunteer your time, form new friendships, or deepen your faith, Bascomb has opportunities for you! Let's make this a year of incredible connection, renewed faith, and abundant blessings!

Stay connected and be sure to invite friends and neighbors to join us—we can't wait to see what God has in store for Bascomb!

Whitney Gaeta
Director of Adult
Activities

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### This Month Events



#### **Thursday Bible Study**

With Pastor Tyler Flowers February 6th, 13th, and 27th 1:30pm and 6:30pm



Invite a Friend Sunday - Feb. 9th

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Worship with Pastor Tyler Flowers at 10:00am.

## This Month Events Continued Special Events



Super Bowl Potluck - Feb. 9th 11am-1pm In the Fellowship Hall Football Activities, Tailgate Food,

Super Bowl Trivia, and Games!



Crafters Club - Crochet Basics Wednesday Feb. 26th - 6pm-7pm in the Fellowship Hall Bring your own supplies.



Join us for a Special Presentation! Feb. 27th from 2:30pm-3:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

### **Recurring Events**



Exercise Classes - Free
Every Tuesday in February
Chair Yoga - 5:30pm-6:00pm
Ab Work - 6:00pm-6:20pm



Music Jam - Feb. 5th 7pm-9pm in the Fellowship Hall Come Listen, Come Play! Bluegrass & American Music!



Veterans Meetup - Feb. 18th 12pm-1pm in the Fellowship Hall Program and light snacks provided!



United Women in Faith Meeting Tuesday Feb. 11th at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall Bring your lunch!



United Methodist Men Breakfast Sunday Feb. 16th at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall Enjoy breakfast and a devotional.



**Super Seniors Luncheon** Wednesday Feb. 19th at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall