

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER June 23, 2016

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# Sunday, June 26

ALICE

D R I V E

- ★ Come celebrate one nation under God with a variety of patriotic medleys and
- \* fresh arrangements of familiar classics.
- ★ The worship choir will be joined by
- ★ members of both Sumter and Lakewood
- high school choirs, as well as a full orchestra.
- We will also pay tribute to our armed forces both past and present.
- \* All three morning services will be identical.

★ June 26/27 Message Topic: Election Faith



# What Do You Want to Ask?



**JULY 3/4** 

Pastor Clay is dedicating the message time of all four services to give his thoughts on a selection of questions asked.

You can submit questions by:

Text: 803.720.9711

Email: ADBCFORWARD@gmail.com

Web: ALICEDRIVE.ORG

Write: on the back of Communication Card

Also, come experience worship in the round! There will be no LIFE Groups - childcare for 5 and under will be provided.

# If You Were God... From the archives

DIRECTIONS by Dr. Clay Smith Lead Pastor

If you were God, would you give up on Adam? He breaks your rules, blows the one chance humans have to always make right choices, fathers a murderer, and other than living a long time, doesn't do much else with his life.

If you were God, would you give up on Jacob? He cheats and schemes his brother out of his inheritance, lies to his Dad, fathers children with four different women, favors one child over another, and seems to always be bargaining with God. The legacy he passed on to his children seemed to be one of chaos – they were always up to their necks in trouble with each other or the law.

If you were God, would you give up on Moses? Sure he puts his murderous

past behind him, but he can only get a job working for his father-in-law. He certainly doesn't raise his hand when God tells him he is the man for a mission, and he keeps the arguing up when God wants to wipe out the troublesome Israelites (I wonder if he ever regretted that decision?). Even with all of God's power behind him, he couldn't persuade Pharaoh to quit while he was ahead. He didn't even get to make it to the finish line because he finally reached a breaking point with those hard-headed people he was trying to lead.

If you were God, would you give up on David? He composed some nice songs, and had a good run as a warrior, but as an administrator, he was terrible. He played favorites too and it almost cost him his kingdom when the favored son persuaded everyone the old man wasn't really the leader for the future. His moral failure was big news - a love triangle that had all the makings of a

great TV movie – adultery, pregnancy, intrigue, murder, and a dramatic confrontation by his favorite preacher.

The list can get a lot longer. But here's what I learn from this Biblical sampler – God doesn't give up on people because they fail.

If you were God, would you give up on you? Could it be that God believes in you, loves you, pushes you even more than you do yourself? Could that be the real message of Jesus dying on a cross for you?

There's one more lesson – I'm glad you aren't God. Aren't you?

Grace.

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# Register online or in the lobby between services JULY 10-14 6:00-8:30PM VBS t-shirts are on sale for \$7 in the lobby Help kids take their next step toward Jesus by volunteering at VBS!

Wedding Coordinator Opportunities Available - Contact Colleen Blackmon for details: 803.481.7712

Contact Mandy Easton for details: x250 | measton@adbc.org





Childcare will be provided for ages 5 and under.
We will resume July 10/11.

### 4th & 5th grade FUSION Bowling Party

June 28 @ 1:30pm | Gamecock Lanes

FUSION is our summer program designed to get kids ready for their next big step

- middle school! Meet at the bowling alley to hang out and get your bowl on.

This event is for kids who have already completed 4th or 5th grade only.

Please bring money for bowling, shoe rental, and snacks.





# GIVING ONLINE IS EASY @ ALICEDRIVE.ORG

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:21

# Missed a service? Want to catch up on a series?



By going online to alicedrive.org (click on Media and then Watch & Listen online), you can listen to a sermon or watch a full version of a service. You can also watch full services online by going to vimeo.com and searching Alice Drive Baptist Church.





## CALENDAR

#### Sunday, June 26

Patriotic Celebration

Worship Services (8:30, 9:45 & 11:00am)

LIFE Groups for all ages (9:45 & 11:00am)

2:00p Deacon Social, Off Campus

4:00p Outreach Visitation, Worship Center

#### Monday, June 27

7:00p Worship Service, Worship Center

> LIFE Groups for babies-5th grade Bible Study with the Interns, 218

Adult LIFE Group, 118 8:00p

#### Tuesday, June 28

10:00a Preschool Storytime Playdate, 107

1:30p 4th & 5th grade Fusion Bowling, Off Campus

7:00p Celebrate Recovery Worship, studio4.3

8:00p Celebrate Recovery Shared Groups, studio4.3

#### Wednesday, June 29

2:00p Praying Ladies, 119

\*Wednesday Programming has ended for the summer

\*No Fellowship Meal

VBS Planning Meeting, Worship Center 6:00p

Middle School Coffee House, studio4.3

7:30p High School Coffee House, studio4.3

#### Thursday, June 30

10:00a Thimble Thursday, 104A/B

5:30p Tech Talk, Balcony

6:00p Vocal Team Rehearsal, Green Room

7:00p Worship Team Rehearsal, Worship Center

#### Sunday, July 3

Ask the Pastor

Worship Services (8:30, 9:45 & 11:00am)

\*No LIFE Groups - childcare for 5 and under provided

5:00p Outreach Visitation, Worship Center

#### Monday, July 4

Independence Day-Office closed

7:00p Worship Service (Ask the Pastor),

Worship Center

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#### Tuesday, July 5

Celebrate Recovery Worship, studio4.3 7:00p

q00:8 Celebrate Recovery Shared Groups, studio4.3



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#### CELEBRATE THE SERVANT LEADERS OF THE WEEK HAITI MISSION TEAM

Ready to find your purpose in serving others, but not sure where? We can help! Contact Stacy Wright: swright@adbc.org

<b>ATTENDANCE</b> 6/19 & 6/20	<b>LIFE GROUPS</b> 6/19 & 6/20
8:30am228	Adults320
9:45am491	Students
11:00am479	Children116
Monday Night117	Preschool241
Total1,315	Total810

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8:30am Traditional Childcare for 5 & under 9:45 & 11:00am Contemporary LIFE Groups for all ages

