

MEMORIAL

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SERVICE



Great Swamp
BAPTIST CHURCH

May 27, 2018

Great Swamp Baptist Church

May 27, 2018

Sunday Morning Worship
11:00 AM

Prelude

The Welcome

Announcements

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Call to Worship

Invocation

Bjo Mills

Selections of Praise & Worship

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Offertory

Offertory Special

Message

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Invitation

Benediction



*Come join us for the
Proclaimers Choir Practice
every
Wednesday Evening
following*

Graduate Recognition

Colleges & Universities

University of South Carolina Aiken

Andrea Christine Daring

Communications

Florida Institute of Technology

Sherrí Fryman

Bachelor of Arts—

Business Management / Healthcare Administration

Liberty University

Haley McClaine Langford

Bachelors of Arts-International Relations/

Theology

High Schools

Thomas Heyward Academy

Victoria Standard

Kindergarten

Step of Faith Christian Academy

Henry Bradley



Greeters

Today: Dorthie Armstrong / Krey Lowther
Next Week: Latrelle Steedly / Krey Lowther

Nursery Workers

Today: Pam Stanley / Olivia

Next Week: Pat Bryan / Vanessa Smoak



Children's Church Helpers

Today: Evelyn Bradley / Angel Cole

Next Week: Evelyn Bradley / Olivia Stanley

DEACON OF THE WEEK :



Today: Bjo Mills

843-726-4344

Next Week: Duane Armstrong

843-843-726-6795



Toll Committee

For the month of June

Bernice Malphrus

Bonnie Pope





From Pastor Ralph's Desk:

The Voice, The Vision, The Victory (Part III)

Revelation 1:9-20

Intro: When we began looking at these verses, we noted that John heard, saw and experienced at least three things. Those three things were a voice he heard, then a vision he saw and finally a victory he understood.

Now we've already spent a few Sundays looking at the voice he heard and the vision he saw. When he put those two together, the voice and the vision, he came to understand the victory. This victory that he came to understand is two-fold and yet it is really only one.

So, you ask the question, preacher, how can it be two-fold and one at the same time? Well, I am glad you asked the question and here is the answer. The victory really belongs to the voice he heard and the biggest portion of the vision he saw. Of course, we know by now that the voice and the vision belong to the Lord Jesus Christ. So, what this tells us is that all the victory belongs to Jesus Christ. However, because the church belongs to Jesus Christ, then whatever victory belongs to Him will spread over to us. The victory of Christ becomes the victory of the church. Today, we will examine the victory that belongs to Christ and the next the victory that belongs to the church.

I. The Victory that belongs to Christ.

There are mentioned here several ways in which Christ holds the victory. By the way, His victory is not just a victory that is minor in it's scope. Nor is it a victory among many. No, this victory is the total, complete and absolute victory of victories.

A. First, notice that Christ has the victory because of the places we find Him. *When John heard the voice he turned to see who it was that was speaking to him. Who he saw was none other than the mighty, glorious and holy vision of the Lord Jesus Christ right before his very own eyes, right there with him on the Isle of Patmos.*

However, a few verses earlier in verse seven, we are reminded to look to the clouds from whence Christ will be coming again. This lets us know that He is in Heaven. Then in verse twelve, thirteen and twenty, we are told He is in the midst of the churches along with this messenger and He even holds them in His hands. So Christ is everywhere He needs to be all at the same time. No other person, power or being has this ability. This victory only belongs to Christ Jesus our Lord. Is it any wonder that King David said, "Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there. If I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, If I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. If I say, 'surely the darkness will hide me and the light becomes night around me,' even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you." (Ps. 139:7-12) OH, child of God let us rejoice that our blessed Savior is everywhere that we are and will be.

B. Second, notice that Christ has the victory because of the position that He holds. A couple of weeks ago as we looked at the vision of Christ, we discovered that all of the aspects of His vision tell us many amazing things about our blessed Lord. These aspects also reveal the many positions that He holds. Let me show us those positions. First, He holds the position of highest authority. We know this because He is able to hold the churches and their messengers in His right hand. The right hand is always been the picture of authority and with that right hand He holds us all.

Second, He holds the position of uniqueness. When John points out that he is like the Son of man, he is referring to a term that he often heard when Jesus walked on earth. For Jesus often referred to Himself as the Son of man. So, what does it mean and how is it unique? Well, it is a reference to the fact first of all that Jesus became a man. However, when He took upon human flesh He didn't care to be the Son of God. He has and is unique because He is the God Man. He was man as though He were not God and God as though He were not man. As a man He understands us and as God He is able to help us.

Third, He holds a position that is three-fold. This comes from the fact that He is wearing a long robe with a golden sash around it. In the past in the Word of God, we discover that prophets, priests and kings wore robes like this. Well, Jesus is all three. He is Prophet, Priest and King. As Prophet, He's brought the Word of God to us for He Himself is the Living Word of God. As Priest, He's our eternal offering and our everlasting interceder. As King, He's our conqueror and leader.

Fourth, He holds the position of absolute wisdom. In the vision His head and His hair was white like wool and white as snow. This has always been a picture of wisdom and because it mentions that both His head and hair are white and both are white like wool and snow, then His wisdom is of the highest level. Therefore, it is no wonder that we must listen to Him with all of our attention.

Fifth, Jesus holds the position of judge. The vision really reveals this position of Christ is very bold and strong language. It says that His eyes were like blazing fire. His feet like bronze glowing in a furnace. His voice like rushing water and out of His mouth came a double edge sword. All of these descriptions let us know that when He returns it will not be in the humble manner that came in His first coming. He will come to bring justice and victory for His people and no one will be able to prevent Him from carrying it out. He is the absolute Judge of all judges. My prayer is that you are on the right side of this Judge. The other side will not be able to resist or stop the Judge of all judges from carrying His justice over them.

Sixth, He holds the position of perfection and purity. The vision tells us that His face was like the sun shining in all of His brilliance. This is the picture of absolute purity and perfection. No one but Christ holds this position, and if we want to know that purity and perfection, then we must know Him who is pure and perfect and it will become our experience as well when He takes us to glory.

C. Third, notice that Christ has the victory because of the power He displayed. *Now we see this power is this power in the words that He speaks to John after John had fallen completely down like a dead person. He placed His right hand on John and after telling him not to be afraid, He said that He was the First and Last, the Living One Who was dead but now alive forever and ever and that He holds the keys of death and Hades. This means that because He conquered death He holds the authority over it. No other person has ever conquered death but Jesus. Also, to defeat death He had to defeat sin and Satan. We know He did because He arose from the dead. Oh what power He holds. He makes the power available to all who come to Him in repentance and faith.*

Concl. Because He is the ultimate person of victory, we can rejoice that He will bring victory to His people. Are you one of His? I pray so. If not, call out to Him today.

*Jesus Love You
Ralph Lee, Jr.*



Coming Soon

Sunday, June 10th
11:00am

Senior Celebrator's Trip

It's that time of year again for getting prepared for our Annual Trip. A sign-up sheet and brochure is in the foyer. We are putting together our room list. Your \$25.00 deposit is due NOW. See Timmy Sauls for more info.

Reminder

There will be

NO

Sunday Morning Breakfast or Wednesday Night Suppers

during the summer months. Meals will resume the 1st week of September.

(Last Wednesday Night Supper will be May 30th)

There will be NO SMB on May 27th



Calling all Knitters & Crocheters

Anyone who would like to participate in a craft project for

Operation Christmas Child,

please contact

Dorthie Armstrong @ 843-726-6795

For more info.

If you need yarn, we have plenty to share.



GSBC Prayer Pages May 27, 2018

*Ralph Lee, Jr. - Pastor
Richard Waitt- Music Director
Deacons
Child Dev. Ministries*

Church Needs
*Sunday School
SFCA-Donna Carter*

*Ministries
Outreach Ministry*

Leadership
*President Donald Trump
United States of America*

Unspoken
*Tim Cramer Family
Cheri Ellis
Laurie Norman*

Bereavement
Family Of

Hospitals
N/A

Cancer / Treatments

*Mitzi Cramer (5/2)
Allen Perry (5/2)
Jane Chapman (5/24)
Rickey Tindal (5/10)
Becky Broxton (5/10)
Jeanie Raven (5/10)
Leonard Steedly (5/24)
Judy Smith (5/24)*

Nursing Centers
*Elaine Degler-RNC
Wofford Malphrus-Effingham
County Rehab. Center
Doris Blackmon-Morningside
Thelma Ashing-RNC
Maureen Malphrus-RNC
Becky Jones-Anderson
Kirk Malphrus-RNC*

Surgery / Recovery
*Lloyd Freeman (5/24)
Joanna Daring (5/2)*

Other Health Needs

*Trip Fogle (5/24)
Wallace Roberts (5/2)
Vera Floyd (5/2)
Trip Fogle (5/2)
Bobby & Judy Smith (5/24)
Wilbur Daley (5/10)
Lanell Smith (4/26)
Ellen Langford (4/26)
Joyce Pope (5/2)
Krylin Standard (5/2)
Alice Malphrus (5/2)
Cheri Ellis (5/7)
Laurie Norman (5/7)
Joyce Sutler (5/8)
Dot Tindal (5/10)
Mike Hodge (5/10)
Lyman Malphrus (5/17)
Alisha Holland (5/21)
Bonnie Pope (5/24)
Tom Benton (5/24)
Paul Sims (5/24)
Eugene Raven (5/24)
Ronnie Malphrus (5/24)*

Called to Ministry
Chris Carter & Family

Special Requests

*Amy O'Connor-Selling Home
Leigh Laycock-House*

Expecting / Births
*Amanda Fletcher
Stevi Mingledorff & Baby Ella*

Pray For Our Military



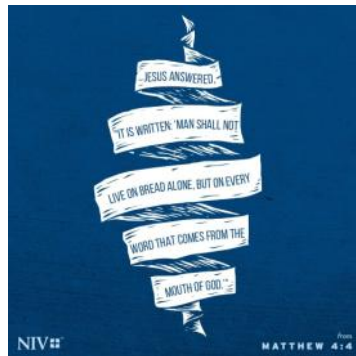
Bobby Emerson– South Korea-Army
Jared Blanton-Fort Benning
Isaac Martin Malphrus Cape May, NJ / Coast Guard
Matthew Mills-Va-US Marines
Jericho Malphrus-Sp. Agent / Air Force / Oklahoma City. OK
Michael Sottile-Depolyed

Please Continue To Remember

Ricky Cleland
Mike Hodge
Shirley Malphrus
Rose Boyles
Mary Cope
Judy Smith
Jeffrey Stanley
Joyce Sutler
Redden Tuten

Dot Nettles
Tom Hinely
Olivia Stanley
Lois Bootle
Grace Boyles
Patricia Malphrus
Scott Boyles
Dot Dean

Gary Way
Christy Gagel
Vera Miles
Mary Daley
Leonard Steedly
Barbara Mills
Rodney Malphrus, Sr.
Lanell Smith
Brian Freeman



Is making a living your consuming factor in life? How about some other consumers of your time, energy and resources? Do they consume you? Where is God in all these pursuits? Prayer can help you to let God be God and you a recipient of His provision for you.

E.L. Ambrose

Today's Prayer Team

Group I

Patricia Malphrus-Leader
Truett Vaigneur
Shirley Malphrus
Vera Miles

Watchman Prayer Service
Saturdays @ 8:00am

Prayer Note

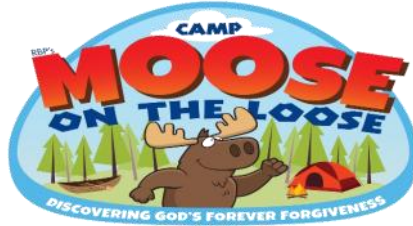
For emergencies
a prayer chain
is available for needs.

You may access
by calling the
church @ 726-3631

Or

E.L. Ambrose @ 726-5479

WATCH OUT!!!



**THERE'S A
MOOSE ON
THE LOOSE...
WHERE???**



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

at Great Swamp Baptist Church

WHEN??? Sun., Jun. 3 thru Wed., Jun. 6, 2018
5:30 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

*Join us for supper beginning at 5:30 each night
followed by music, crafts, fun and fellowship!
(Ages 4 to 12)*

**PRE-REGISTER NOW
ON-LINE at
[greatswampbaptist-
church.com](http://greatswampbaptist-church.com) or in person on**



**Sun., Jun. 3, beginning at
5:00 p.m. at Great Swamp Baptist Church,
9009 Tarboro Rd.**

Any questions, please call (843) 726-3631

This Weeks Birthdays



May 31st

Jake Holland

June 1st

Jonathan Malphrus

Gracyn Fitzhugh

June 2nd

Patricia Malphrus

Wednesday Night SUPPER



Salisbury Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Gravy
Green Beans
Rolls
Dessert
Tea & Coffee

Youth Cooking Team

\$5.00 each or \$15.00 for a family of 4 or more

Announcements

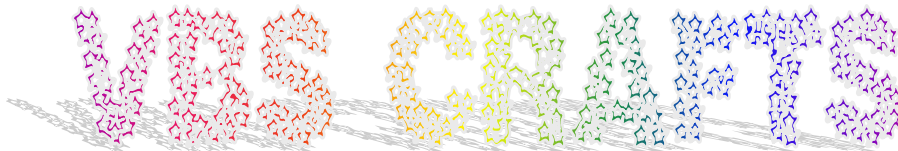
*The Quilting Club is meeting in the
Old Parsonage
Thursday, May 31st @ 10:00am*



*Watchman Prayer Group
Saturday, June 2nd @ 8:00 am*

VBS Meetings

*The VBS Teachers & Volunteers will meet on
TODAY
following Morning Worship Services.*



Items are needed for VBS this year.

A sign up sheet is in the foyer with a listing of what is needed.

If you can help provide for this need, sign up.

A box is in the foyer in which to place the items.

*If you would like to help supply these needs but don't have time to
go shopping, you may donate money to help out.*

Just put in an offering envelope and mark VBS Crafts.

For more info, please contact Amanda Hodges.

Church Staff

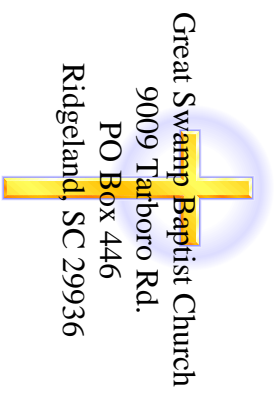
Pastor: **Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr.**jehu27@gmail.com
 Music Director: **Richard Waitt**waittfamily@embarqmail.com
 Sunday School Director: **Wallace Malphrus**Josie6@embarqmail.com
 Pianist: **Michelle Waitt**waittfamily@embarqmail.com
 Administrative Assistant: **Sybil Reynolds**greatswampbc@gmail.com
 School Administrator: **Donna Carter**dcarter@hargray.com
 Custodian: **Ann Malphrus**ramalphrus@hargray.com
 Landscaper: **Wallace Malphrus**Josie6@embarqmail.com
 Finance Director: **Timmy Sauls**greatswampbc@gmail.com

Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
<i>Tithes & General Budget</i>	\$4,214.29	\$4,973.36	-\$734.07
<i>Online Offerings</i>	\$25.00		
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>SFCA Office Supply</i>	\$122.32	*****	\$124.12
<i>Seniors Fund</i>	\$20.00	*****	\$1,372.46
<i>George Pepper Scholarship</i>	\$5.00	*****	\$352.03
<i>Baccalaureate</i>	\$12.00	*****	\$89.80
<i>SMB</i>	\$72.00	*****	\$472.00
<i>Youth Yard Sale (Camp)</i>	\$5.00	*****	\$2,124.53
<i>SFCA Electric</i>	\$1,584.31	*****	\$1,584.31
<i>SFCA Janitorial Supplies</i>	\$500.00	*****	\$0.00
<i>SFCA Security</i>	\$123.89	*****	\$123.89
<i>SFCA Trash Pick Up</i>	\$125.00	*****	\$0.00

Online Giving

The Online giving on the church's website is up and running. If you have problems or questions, please contact Alex Sineath or the church office.



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PO Box 446
Ridgeland, SC 29936

Sunday Morning Breakfast 8:30AM
Sunday School 9:45AM
Morning Worship 11:00AM
Evening Worship 6:00PM
Wednesday Night Supper 6:00PM
Wednesday Night Service 7:00PM
Saturday Watchman Prayer 8:00AM

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