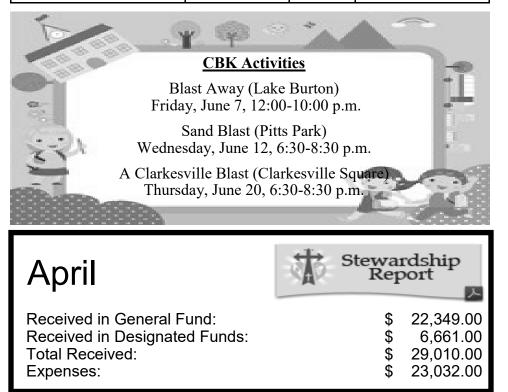
What's Happening?

Event	Date	Time	Location
WMU Meeting	Tues., June 4	6:00pm	Family Life Center
The Sewing Ladies	Wed., June 12 Wed., June 26	10:00am	Holcomb Center
Potluck Fellowship Meal/VBS Training	Wed., June 19	5:30pm	Family Life Center
Adult Game Night	Tues., June 25	6:00pm	Family Life Center



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The Potters Wheel

"Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand ... " (Jeremiah 18:6)

Monthly Newsletter from Clarkesville Baptist Church

June 2024

Due to the deterioration of the rear parking lot and retaining wall, we have closed all access to this parking area. We pray that repairs are able to start soon! Your help is needed in several ways. Please help by not parking or entering the work area. Be patient and allow this work to be completed in a timely manner. And as I write this note today, we are having to replace our second Air Conditioning and Heating Unit. Many of our units are 27 years old or older. We know there are several others that are in this group. Our church has been blessed by a faithful, giving family. I am ever so thankful for your faithfulness to give, but now may be a time to give more to help this repair work to be completed in a timely manner.

What blessings our CBKids have become to all of us. We have not just seen the group grow in size, but now we are seeing the harvest of seeds that have been planted. I give praise to our Lord for all of these blessings. To all who have been involved in this undertaking, thank you. I have no doubt that our Lord has so much more in store. May we all continue to pray for this ever-changing work to reach children and their families. Luke Mize, we thank you for deciding to put Christ first in your life. Pray for others that are wanting to take their next step of faith.

Vacation Bible School is July 15–18, and you are needed in so many ways. So much work is going forward with each passing day. But there is one constant need that remains and that is you! More workers are needed. Please consider doing your part and volunteer today.

Why not spend a little time counting the blessings of your life to consider how you might be able to give more back to God. I challenge you to pray for God to show you how you might give more back to Him and His Church. Blessings to each of you. It is my honor and joy to serve you and our Lord...

Your pastor and friend,

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♫ From Your Music Minister ♫

We welcome Mr. James Barnard as our new pianist who played a beautiful offertory on his debut May 12, 2024. His wife, Andrea and a teenage daughter and son attend Christ Presbyterian Church. James is the Music Editor at Celebrating Grace Publishing. He creates the children's curriculum, Growing in Grace. He is an excellent musician at the keyboard. We are blessed to have him as pianist at Clarkesville Baptist Church. Andrea Barnard graciously played the piano for the previous two weeks at CBC. She teaches voice at Truett McConnell University and teaches drama at Trinity Classical School. It has been a delight for our Sanctuary Choir to meet and make music with them!

An Exquisite Creation from a Supreme Creator

Antonius Stradivarius was born in Cremona, Italy in 1644 where he worked until his death in 1737. In Stradivarius's shop, over 1,000 instruments were made (including violins, violas, cellos, and guitars). Although this is a high number to produce, those numbers just can't be matched by the number of fake Stradivarius instruments in existence. Of those instruments made by Stradivarius, only 650 are accounted for, documented, and well known.

Generally, an instrument in good condition increases in value through time. Since a few hundred years have passed, these (real) Stradivarius's have gone up in value. His instruments were made for royalty, wealthy people, and elite performers. Since the beginning of his time producing instruments under his own name, Stradivarius was well known and a highly-valued violin maker.

This is an example of an Stradivarius label.

If you were given a Stradivarius violin, would you gasp with awe and amazement of the gift? As we look at others, can we see the label of "Stradivarius" on their foreheads? Do we recognize that those are ALL people who have been created by God and in the image of God? We need to gasp with wonder at those around us, especially those we call family. Appreciate and celebrate others.

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Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves (Romans 12:10). We are to outdo one another in showing honor. We are to love each other as part of the same family. Thank you God, for the summer where I can love, celebrate, and appreciate those you have placed in my path!

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Clarkesville Baptist Kids

What a great year it has been for our church and for CBK! We have grown to a program of ten kids who attend CBK regularly, and we have begun to also offer some activities and opportunities for CBC toddlers. We are making friends with these families and finding ways to help them in the important—and tiring—work of raising kids. Way to go, CBC!!! This is important stuff.

Our summer program —Summer Blast—will kick off in early June. We have six very fun activities planned for the CBK families. Please pray that we have a safe and healthy summer and that it will be a time of making more connections with families in our community.

And, if you'd like to help in any way—gift cards, baking skills, cooking skills, etc.—please let me know!

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- * If you would like to go to The Carter Center on **Thursday**, **June 13**, please contact Mary Ann Ellington.
- * Father's Day is **Sunday, June 16.**
- * We still need volunteers for Vacation Bible School which will be held **Monday, July 15-Thursday, July 18, 5:30-8:00 p.m.** Please sign up on the list on the bulletin board outside of the Pastor's Office or by emailing Susan Runyon-Davis at misssusan55@yahoo.com.
- * We are in need of toilet tissue rolls (uncrushed) for VBS. Please place in the CBK collection bins.

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