

# Church ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ATTENDANCE** - Last Sunday, there were **277** in Worship and **196** in Bible Study.
- **GRIEFSHARE** - Our SBC GriefShare program will begin on September 14<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm. Unlike our society has taught us, grieving is a natural part of life's journey and we need to understand God's words regarding our methods of grieving. We will focus on His words as well as, understanding, this may be a very long journey. This group is open to the community and those who have and have not lost a loved one, needing to understand grief. Sign up at [greifshare.org](http://greifshare.org), contact the church office, or call Jeannie at (804)499-0685.
- **S.H.O.W.** - As we ramp up for S.H.O.W. (Stop Hunger on Weekends) this fall, I would like to start collecting food now to get a head start. Please remember, everything needs to be single serving and microwavable. Pay close attention to expiration dates. If it's expired we can't use it. There is a list of acceptable item in the hallway by the restrooms. **There is a new drop spot for SHOW this year. The bin will be in the nook between the stairs** where the FISH bins are (FISH will remain there as well). Both will be labeled appropriately. We are also looking for more help with deliveries. If you are interested in helping, please contact Faye Hailey at (704)763-1122.
- **WEDNESDAY DINNERS** - We need several (4-6) more helpers with Wednesday night dinners, working one Wednesday a month. We also need volunteer dishwashers/cleanup crew. If you are able to help out please contact Audrey Frey at (804)836-0225.
- **CHURCH LOGO PROJECT** - Sandston Baptist Church is getting a logo! This will help us visually communicate who we are, and we need your help. Submit your logo design idea. Your idea may be hand drawn or digitally made. All or part of your design idea may be used in the final version. Church staff will review all submissions and select the top choices to the Church Council to decide on. **Please submit your logo design idea by emailing it to Heather Meador ([office@sandstonbaptist.org](mailto:office@sandstonbaptist.org)) by September 7.**
- **AWANA** - Awana is looking for volunteers to help this year. If you have a heart for leading children to read, understand, memorize, and apply scripture, we would love to have you become part of the Awana ministry. **An Awana interest and training meeting will be held on August 17 after church (approximately 11:15 am) in the sanctuary.** If you would like to learn more about helping with this ministry, please join us. You do not have to commit to attend the meeting. If you have any questions please contact Lynda Holloway (804-304-3241) or Lindsay Horne (804-239-5010).
- **CALLED BUSINESS MEETING** - A called business meeting will be held on **Wednesday, August 27th at 6:30pm**, to vote on the Sunday School Nominating Committee's list of nominees for the upcoming Sunday School program year.

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## Advancing Under Trial

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Kevin Freeman / The Great Advance / Acts 25:1-27

The Great Advance is the continued spread of the gospel as hearts are drawn to salvation in Jesus Christ. Towards the end of Acts, Paul finds himself under trial for his faith. Today's sermon reminds us that God is working – the gospel advancing – even when we're undergoing trials.

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Keep your w\_\_\_\_\_

C\_\_\_\_\_ amid c\_\_\_\_\_

How does the enemy seek to destabilize you?

He \_\_\_\_\_ you.

He \_\_\_\_\_ you.

He \_\_\_\_\_ you.

Keep your w\_\_\_\_\_

C\_\_\_\_\_ amid c\_\_\_\_\_

Keep your w\_\_\_\_\_

C\_\_\_\_\_ toward your c \_\_\_\_\_

What happens when we move backward?

We r\_\_\_\_\_ to p\_\_\_\_\_.

We r\_\_\_\_\_ the p\_\_\_\_\_.

We r\_\_\_\_\_ our p\_\_\_\_\_.

## Go Deeper

Read Acts 25:1-27. Then talk with a friend this week and discuss the following questions:

1. What sorts of narratives does our culture build that do not align with the truth in God's Word?
2. Why is it important to avoid overthinking your trials, and how can you focus on your faith instead?
3. Where and with whom do you see the need to speak the truth with clarity?
4. How can you set goals that align with God's will when you feel stuck in a challenging situation?
5. What do you believe God is calling you to do?

For next Sunday, August 17, read Acts 26:1-32.