Atwater Baptist Church

# **ABC Newsletter**

### "Getting Right"

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. (Psalm 51:10 KJV)

Psalm 51 Begins with an acknowledgement that the Psalmist's life is a mess. Throughout the Psalm there is a plea to be forgiven, but also (and especially here in verse 10) a cry for his connection to God to be restored.

A "right spirit, is our part in the connection to God "who is spirit". In the Bible our spirit describes our essence, the "who we are" and it is the part of us that makes up our spiritual connection to God. Each of us is created for this connection, but unfortunately for many, this God connection may feel dry or distant at best, at worst it can feel completely broken and hopeless. We know we are created for more but may not see the path forward.

So, as we move into May, the messages each Sunday will be geared to this: uncovering some of what often sidetracks us and recovering the sweeter connection we desire. We'll begin here in Psalm 51 (feel free to become more familiar with it) and branch out into various parts of the Bible for Guidance.

Through the month we will explore doing our part in "getting right", recognizing some common pitfalls that often create distance between us and our Heavenly Father. We'll look at some "wrong spirits" (attitudes/patterns) that get in the way of this lifegiving connection. So, let us let this prayer become ours as we seek to grow closer!

See you Sunday!

Pastor John Motz





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Worship Committee



Greetings to everyone.

I hope you had a lovely Easter. We had a combined service with New Life Church and I think we all were reminded of the reason God sent His son to us. It was great to see the church full again.

May will bring us a few more celebrations. On Saturday, May 6th, we will have the annual Ladies Salad Luncheon, in combination with the New Life ladies. It will be held at 12 noon in the Fellowship Room, (aka Rooms 7 & 8). Please bring a salad to share and a friend to enjoy It with you. We will have some kind of missions projects again. See you there.

Of course, May also brings a celebration of Mothers' Day on May 14th. In June we will celebrate Fathers' Day on June 18th.

Save the date on July 2nd for our annual Independence BBQ after church. More later.

Love in Christ, Eileen Gasaway









May 29th

# Flag Day 6

June 14th



June 18th



"Let there be lights in the expanse of the

heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years."

Genesis 1:14

### **Regular Meeting Times**

#### Sundays:

9:00 AM NLCC Worship 11:00 AM ABC Morning Worship 6:00 PM NLCC Youth Group

Mondays 2:00 PM Eileen's Bible Study

Thursdays Carole's Art Class 9:00 a.m.

Fridays 7:00 PM—9:30 PM Phoenix Group



### **Special Dates This Month**

Tuesday, May 2 2:00 p.m. Worship Team Meeting

Tuesday, May 9 9:00 a.m. Senior Brown Bag 7:00 p.m. Diaconate Meeting

Wednesday, May 10 9:00 a.m. USDA Commodities

Tuesday, May 23 9:00 a.m. Senior Brown Bag

Monday, May 29 Office Closed—Memorial Day





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 2:00 p.m. Worship Mtg. 4:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	3	4 9:00 a.m. Art Class	5	6
7 9:00 a.m. NLCC Worship 11:00 a.m. ABC Worship	8	9 9:00 a.m. Brown Bag Distribution	10 9:00 a.m. USDA Food Distribution	11 9:00 a.m. Art Class	12	13
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ABC Diaconate Meeting

Tuesday, July 11, 2023 7:00 p.m.



## **Remember in Prayer**

Pat Yarbrough, Vicky Knoepfel, Donna Plett, Church Family, Health Care Workers, The People of the Ukraine, Carter Luxon, Eileen Gasaway

Our Military families, leaders, and president

**Our Missionaries:** 

Rev. Lauran Bethell, Mark & Alise Juanes



"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed." James 5:16 NIV

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