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Columbia's Core Values

Genuine Witness • Acts 2:39-41, 43, 47
We are the presence of Christ in our time, relevant to a pluralistic society and on mission to reach the world with the love of Jesus.

Warm Welcome • Acts 2:41, 47
We invite others to become part of our church family, and enthusiastically accept them as they come.

Biblical Foundation • Acts 2:42
We teach and learn God's Word in order to grow as followers of Christ.

Christ-Exalting Worship • Acts 2:42, 46-47
We are believers whose purpose is to glorify our Creator, gathering regularly to praise God and celebrate Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

Constant Prayer • Acts 2:42, 46
We are a people in continual communication with God in the name of Jesus and under the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

Gifted Servanthood • Acts 2:42-43
We are a congregation of people who serve God by exercising equally the gifts given us by the Holy Spirit: "every member a minister."

Authentic Community • Acts 2:42, 44, 46
We are unified in vision and purpose even as we affirm our diversity; trusting, forgiving, and encouraging one another for the common good.

Joyful Giving • Acts 2:44-45
We offer all that we have to God selflessly, taking great pleasure in being used of God.

Intentional Caring • Acts 2:44-46
We embody Christ's compassion and concern for all people, so we care for one another in organized and purposeful ways.

Demonstrated Integrity • Acts 2:47
We are an association of persons known by believers and unbelievers alike for its honor and accountability.

Welcome to Columbia

@ Falls Church! We are honored you have chosen to worship with us. We invite you to visit our Welcome Center to receive a small gift and a packet of information about Columbia.

Luncheon/Business Meeting Today
 Stephenson Hall, 12:30pm

Reminder! Park & Ride is on vacation for July and August. Parking will still be available in the Kaiser Permanente parking garage for those who would enjoy a short walk on Sunday mornings. Additional parking is also available in the lot behind the 301 Building and in front of the BWA/Jennings buildings.

"Who do you say that Jesus is?" In Pursuit of Jesus consists of 10 dynamic sessions; you will acquire new abilities to articulate why you follow Jesus - and gain a deeper desire to know him in more intimate ways. **Room 108, Sundays, 11:15am.**

Vacation Bible School Beach Party, Surfin' through the Scriptures was a huge success! Thanks to all who participated, donated, and prayed.

Looking for God's Will in your life? Determining God's will can be a difficult process. **Discovering God's Will**, will take you through the important steps of decision making and will outline the amazing plan God has for your life. **Library, Sundays, 11:15am,**

Promotion Day for Rising 6th Graders, July 20 We'll start in **Room 338 at 9:45am** for a brief farewell to the Orchard. Chris McPeek will then bring students to **Room 142** (the **WIRED!** room) to celebrate their transition to the Middle School ministry.

Inklings in July C. S. Lewis wrote profound and powerful Christian books which encouraged millions of Christians in their faith...and then he watched as his wife Joy died slowly of cancer. It shook his faith to the core. Perhaps you or someone you love has faced a similar crisis of faith because of some personal trauma. Come to the Inklings study in **Stephenson Hall on Wednesdays, 6:30pm** and watch as this true story is acted out in the movie *Shadowlands* and then participate in a discussion based on Lewis' book, *A Grief Observed*. Copies of the book are available in Columbia's bookstore for \$9.

Wednesday Evening Activities @ Falls Church Campus

5:15pm – 6:50pm Family Dinner – Menu available on-line www.columbiabaptist.org
 5:45pm – 7:45pm Child Care: Birth through Kindergarten, Rooms 231/232
 6:30pm – 7:30pm Inklings – Study w/ Dr. Mark Olson, Stephenson Hall; Stait Bible Study, Rm 323
 7:45pm – 9:00pm Single Adult Ignition Group, Room 229

New Beginnings College-Age IG moved to Room 133, Sundays, 11:15am.

Wednesday Night Dinner

Wednesday Night Dinners at the provide all Columbians a chance to fellowship. These dinners feature a First Timers' Table. Any one new to Wednesday Night Dinner or activities is welcome to join us at the table for fellowship and information **5:15pm- 6:15pm**. Look for the table decorated with a table cloth and balloons.

Staff Opening: Ministry

Associate Full time position providing administrative support for Congregational Care and Faith Formation areas, and the Crossroads Host Pastor. Send resume to Donna Groover, Director of Administration at dgroover@columbiabaptist.org or call 703-534-5740 x211 for more information.

Ignition Group Leadership Appreciation Dinner

August 6, 6pm, Stephenson Hall. We will begin with a dinner to say THANK YOU for all that you have done this year by leading your Ignition Group. Then you will have the privilege of being some of the first to be introduced to "*Spend Yourselves*" by the Bread for Life

Ministry team regarding global hunger. Then much of the evening will be spent in our September curriculum *Always...Therefore* by the author Robert Parham, Executive Director of the Baptist Center for Ethics. Contact Lisa Cornelius, lcornelius@columbiabaptist.org

Columbia Goes to the Nats vs. Mets Game

Thursday, August 14. Cost: \$25, for charter bus, reserved seat, and snacks. Register [online](#) or at the Information Center.

Columbia Travelers Fall Trip Hudson River Valley, NY -

October 13-16, 2008 Brochures are on the bulletin board across from Stephenson Hall and insurance forms are at the Information Center, Falls Church Campus.

Group Life Conference
October 16-17, Crossroad

Campus. God designed us to live life together. That's why group life is the heartbeat of the church. This year's Group Life Conference: *Essential for the Human Heart*-will help you and our team keep that heartbeat strong by rediscovering the Kingdom-advancing principles of biblical community. As churches, it strengthens us with

shared experiences and motivates us as we see lives changed. This is a great opportunity for IG leadership, deacons, and anyone who has a heart for building community here at Columbia. We already have reservations for 50 folks from Columbia to participate. Contact Lisa Cornelius, lcornelius@columbiabaptist.org or 703-534-5700.

Holy Land Trip June 22-July 3, 2009. Details and cost will be coming in August.

Hearing Aids If you would like to purchase your own hearing aid for use at Columbia and other locations, please contact David Hilliard at 703-734-9832. They are available at a cost of \$80. In addition, the church provides a limited number of loaner hearing aids for use during worship services. Please request these from the Information Center.

Tithes and Offerings

For July 13, 2008:	
Budgeted Amount	\$58,595.00
Received	\$49,360.76
Over/(Under)	(\$9,234.24)
For January 1- July 13, 2008:	
Budgeted Amount	\$1,569,065.00
Received	\$1,411,313.63
Over/(Under)	(\$157,751.37)