

VENICE BIBLE CHURCH

Welcome!



February 11th, 2018

THIS WEEK AT VENICE BIBLE CHURCH

SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Classes..... Fellowship Hall
 9:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School (Middle/High school).....Shamrock House
 9:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School (K-5th gr).....Conference Rm
 10:30 a.m. WorshipWorship Center
 10:30 a.m. Nursery & Children's Church.....Nursery/Fellowship Hall
 5:00 p.m. Youth Group.....Shamrock House

MONDAY—FRIDAY

9:00 a.m. MMO.....Nursery/Children's Wing
 THURSDAY
 6:00 p.m. Prayer MeetingFellowship Hall
 6:30 p.m. Worship Team practice.....Worship Center
 WEEKLY Home Groupslist available on foyer bulletin board

CHILDREN



9:00 am: Childcare & classes are available.
 10:30 am: Childcare for Birth-age 3 in Room 104 **Children's Wing**.
Children's Church for age 4-5th grade.
 Children are dismissed before the message.

PIONEER CLUBS



Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. in Fellowship Hall. For information or to volunteer contact Kathy Smith at 468-1874 or Jennifer Pry at 330-481-7121.



Sundays at 9:00 am Bible classes for 6th-12th grade. Youth Group 5:00 pm Middle School and 5:45 pm for High School. All youth events are held in Shamrock House.

MEN

Study on 1 Peter Thursdays, 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.

WOMEN

Tuesdays, 10:00 am. Beth Moore study "Entrusted" based on 2 Timothy.

EVERYONE

VBC Family will walk Sunday, February 18th in support of Pregnancy Solutions Walk for Life. Bring a sack lunch, meet at Maxine Barritt pavilion at 12:30 to eat lunch together then we walk at 1:00 pm. Bottled water provided.

Attendance and Current Giving	
Attendance-February 4th	115
Giving	\$6,141

OUR LEADERS

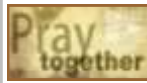
Our Elders: Pastor Scott Hill, Pastor Brett Brooks, Doug Finch, Dave Mattson, (Chairman) Jack McKellar, Jim Mohnkern, Stan Olson, Jerry Smith (Elders@vbcfl.com)

Our Deacons: Chris Browne, Dean Cooper, Dennis Dugan, Howard Flagler, Jim Uttermohlen, Jon Whiteley, Josh Wittman (Deacons@vbcfl.com)

Adult Bible Class

Sundays at 9:00 a.m. Both classes in the Fellowship Hall. Friends with God led by Kit Hill in the main room and **God's Treasures** led by Doug Finch in rooms 204/5.

Together in Prayer



Thursdays at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

NOTE: to be added to the VBC Prayer Warrior email group to receive prayer requests simply email Sheila@vbcfl.com and say "add me to prayer email group".

SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING

SUNDAY, on putting the Shamrock campus on the market for sale. MARCH 4TH, 6:00 PM. Please be sure to attend:

VBC CHURCHWIDE CONFERENCE

on Feb. 23rd—24th at VBCs We hope this revised plan offers many more folks the opportunity to participate.



If you registered for the retreat, but have not yet resubmitted a form for the conference please do so that we can get an accurate headcount for meal planning purposes. Form available in foyer. New fee is \$30.00 per person.

Please note: Thursday, February 22nd at 6:00 pm there will be a Special Prayer for the Conference followed by a "Meet & Greet" time. **Please bring a salty or sweet appetizer to share.** If you would like to schedule a time with Dan and Carla Hardesty call Kit at 757-436-0842.

OUR STAFF

Scott Hill, *Pastor* PastorScott@vbcfl.com
 Brett Brooks, *Pastor* Brett@vbcfl.com
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 Donna Laughlin, *Custodian*
 Kathy McKellar, *Early Childhood director*
 Jon Whiteley, *Children's Ministry director*
 Kathy Smith & Jennifer Pry, *Pioneer Clubs*
 Mai Banh & Lance Stubbs, *Youth*

Don't Be Duped

Pastor Scott Hill (Revelation 17)

Big Idea: “The spirit of the Antichrist...is in the world already.” (1John 4:3)

The wonder of the great prostitute (1-6)

She controls most people (1, 15, 1John 4:5, 2:16)

The unity of church and state (3, 13:11-12)

The influence of idolatry (4)

Old Testament (Eze. 16:15-16)

New Testament (Col. 3:5) “The will to have more, for example: a larger portion, advantage, superiority” (Bullinger Lexicon)

Persecution of the by the prostitute (6)

The wonder of the beast

He's a great deceiver (8)

A slave preaching freedom (2Peter 2:18-19)

Learn to identify deceivers (2Peter 2:2-3)

He leads the world empire (9-10)

Don't be trapped (Luke 21:34-36)

Don't be taken captive (Col. 2:8-9)

He and his minions are headed for destruction (14)

They refuse to love the truth (2Thes. 2:9-10)

World leaders will follow his folly (13-14)

They believe what is false (2Thes. 2:11-12)

The marvel of evil people

Sinners hate their partners in crime (16)

God is in control of wicked forces (17)

Religion will dominate governments (18)

Personal Application: Learn to recognize the “spirit of the antichrist.”

“Religious activity feels full and alive but is, in truth, empty and dead” (Swindoll)

Seeking advantage or superiority over others is not seeking God's will.

Motivated by earthly cares and anxieties rather than simple devotion to Christ?

Discussion Guide for Revelation 17

Ice Breaker:

Who is the central figure in this scene? What is the influence this person has?

How is the woman and this beast similar to the two beast of chapter 13?

What was her most terrible sin? (5-6)

Why are the inhabitants of the earth so impressed with the beast? (8)

What does the angel say about the origin, history and the destiny of the beast?

Why do the kings and the beast join forces and with what result? Why does evil turn on itself and in effect Satan cast out Satan?

If the woman is the false religion, how might she rule over the kings of the earth?

How does Babylon symbolize what is wrong with our world today?

How has God enabled you to escape some of the traps of the “spirit of the antichrist”?