

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

April 4, 2022

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Church Office hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm (closed on Friday)

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

Pastor Johnny will be in the office this week on Saturday, April 9 from 9:00am-12:00pm.



On Wednesday, April 6th, we will resume our in-person prayer time and Bible studies on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm. There are a couple of Wednesdays in April we will not be meeting due to Holy Week and our pastor's vacation. On those Wednesdays, the Bible study will be recorded and posted to the church website for viewing. We will resume our normal schedule in May. *We will not meet for in-person prayer and study on Wed, April 13 and 20.*



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Our church goal: \$600.00

Received to date: \$205.00

We will receive this offering through the end of April.

Church office information:

Interim Pastor • Rev. Johnny Richards

Music Director • Risa Poniros

Secretary • Peggy Utley

Youth Director • Anna Clark

Website updates/maintenance

webmaster@crabtreevalleybaptist.org

By
his
wounds
we are
healed.

Isaiah 53:5, NIV

From the Pastor's Heart...

In case you did not know, I am a big-time NC State fan. It doesn't matter what sport it is, I am a fan. No, I did not attend NC State. My brother did, but that is not why I am a fan. I became a fan in the days of Monte Towe, Tommy Burleson and David Thompson. 1974, to be exact. I loved watching them play basketball. With Monte Towe being so short, and yet able to play the way he did, it encouraged me to play and enjoy sports. With that being said, last

Monday was a difficult evening for NC State fans. NC State's women's basketball team was playing Connecticut for the chance to play in the NCAA Women's basketball final four and a chance for a national championship. The game was close throughout. The game actually went into two overtimes. At one point, I caught myself thinking, "State is going to win. They are going to have a shot at a national championship." The buzzer sounded. What looked like victory, was lost. The season ended. When this game ended, for State, there was no victory. My life went back to the way it was, no change.

When Christ died on the cross, life, for us, did change. What appeared to be the gloomiest and darkest night turned into one word...victory. As I talked about Sunday, this was God's plan. This is exactly how He wanted it, and needed it, to go. Christ had to die on the cross for our sins so we could have the hope of eternal life. Christ had to die on the cross, and be placed in the empty tomb, so Jesus Christ could show us He had victory over death. In order for the resurrection to take place, Christ had to die on the cross. I think it is for that reason that Christ said, "it is finished." All that had gone into that evening had been completed. It was over. But for the Christian, that was just the beginning. State's loss did not affect my life. Christ's victory changed my life forever. But how? For the people who looked on that day, what changed when Christ became victorious on the cross?

First, their view of what love looked like changed. Love may have appeared as selfish, focusing only on the person. But now, love was seen as something to give to others. It was now shown as selfless, humble and giving. That's a different look. Next, the view of hope changed. With His death on the cross, things that seem impossible are now possible. If Christ could endure what He did and show love the way He did, surely, we can do things for Him with His power. Finally, our future changed. Before the cross there was no hope of life with Christ. Because of the cross, we all, everyone, has the hope of gaining eternal life. What was once a dark and stormy day turned out to be a day of victory and hope. His victory changed who we are. Today, we can give thanks for His victory and triumph. Until next week...

Peace and Blessing... Johnny



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Share the Sonshine is an outreach ministry. We can all be a part of this ministry by praying for these individuals, sending cards or making phone calls.

Person of the Week for Apr 3-9

Betsy Shaw - Room 219
Sunrise of Raleigh
4801 Edwards Mill Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27612

Deacon for this week: 4/3 Gene Sherwood

Deacon for next week: 4/10 Ben Best

Properties for April: Whitt Stallings



April is a very busy month as we move closer to Easter Sunday. Please look at the events, messages and Bible studies coming up and take advantage of the opportunities to focus your minds and hearts upon this season.

April 6: Wednesday study: Seven Last Words of Christ:

Transition (Luke 23:46)

April 10: (Palm Sunday) From Cheering to Death

(Luke 19:28-39)

April 13: Wednesday study recorded:

The Events of Holy Week

No in-person prayer and study

April 15: Good Friday Service

with Communion 7:00pm

April 17: Easter Sunrise Service 6:30am

Raleigh Memorial Park

Easter 11:00am Worship: The Real Meaning of the Empty Tomb (1 Corinthians 15:12-19)

April 20: Wednesday study recorded.

No in-person prayer and Bible study

April 24: Morning worship. Marc Wyatt

will be the guest speaker

Prayer Concerns:

HOME

Darrell Jenkins (recovering from a fall)

Jean Glosson

Walt Switzer

Catherine Mullins

Jane Williams

Jetta Lewis

Marci Phelps – Charlotte's daughter (friend of Jean Glosson)

Charlotte Phelps (Jean's friend)

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Anne Barden – Oak Hill Asst Living in Angier

Anne Jenkins – Morningside on Dixie Trail

Bonnie Wright – The Reserve at Mills Farm in Apex

Betsy Shaw – Sunrise of Raleigh on Edwards Mill Rd.

HOSPITAL:

Frances Viano – Rex (fell last week, broke hip) will be going to rehab facility

OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week

The Price family – Missionaries in Wales



April 7 - Brian Walker

3020 Whitehart Lane

Raleigh, NC 27606

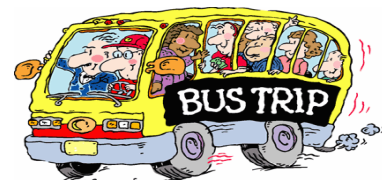
April 27 - Betty Perry

3000 Plaza Pl

Raleigh, NC 27612



The collection for Anna Clark, our youth director, will conclude this Sunday, April 10th.



Young Hearts - Saturday, April 9

The Young Hearts are going to the Whirligig Park followed by lunch at Parker's BBQ in Wilson. Please sign up at the church by Thurs, Apr 7 so we can make restaurant reservations. There are a few seats left on the church van, it will leave the church at 10:00am.