

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

June 20, 2022

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

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

Pastor Johnny's office hours will be Saturday, June 25 from 9am - noon. He is also available on Wednesday evening after Bible study if needed. You can also contact him by sending a text or calling 919-691-1701, or e-mail to jkrich6@hotmail.com.



**DON'T
FORGET
TO VOTE**

**Deacon nomination
ballots are due
Sunday, June 26**

—STAYING— CONNECTED

If you're unable to attend our Worship services, you can watch the weekly Virtual Worship Service on Sundays at 11am.
<https://www.crabtreevalleybaptist.org>

Church office information:

Interim Pastor •

Rev. Johnny Richards

Music Director • Risa Poniros

Secretary • Peggy Utley

Youth Director • Anna Clark

Website updates/maintenance

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From the Pastor's Heart...

I want to continue looking at encouraging words based on the alphabet that we can use to strengthen our relationship with God. The first word I talked about was abide. Last week's word was believe. This week, the word I want to talk about starts with the letter "C" and the word is **communication**. It is important for us to abide in Christ, and believe in Christ, but to keep our relationship with Christ strong, we must also communicate with Christ.

On the website Prayer and Possibilities, writer Kathryn Shirey talks about the seven reasons it is important to have a consistent prayer life. I want to share these seven reasons with you this week and maybe her words will inspire us all to make sure we are communicating with Christ each day.

#1: Prayer is important because it sets the tone for the day, or it can change the tone for the day. How do our days usually start? Do we start by thinking about all that needs to be done or the things we are leaving undone at home? Praying helps us start the day with praise and focus on God, and not other things. We can also ask God to help us through the day.

#2: Prayer is important because it helps us make better decisions. By praying, we can allow ourselves to calm down when we have a difficult decision to make. It is much easier to make better decisions when we are doing it with a calm mind rather than a stressed mind.

#3: Prayer is important because it keeps God in the forefront of our minds, not forgetting Him until Sunday. Because of our busy schedules, it is very easy to forget to do things. We don't forget them because we want to, we forget them because our minds are too busy. Praying helps keep us focused on God.

#4: Prayer is important because the more we pray, the stronger our relationship becomes with God. Just like any relationship, the more we communicate together, the closer we become. If we don't communicate with one another, we will lose touch. Prayer keeps us in touch with God.

#5: Prayer is important because it disciplines our hearts to submit to God. Prayer should become a natural part of our lives. If we pray each day, it will help us make that a part of who we are.

#6: Prayer is important because we have to ask God for help in our prayers for Him to help us. We know that God knows what we need, but when we ask Him for what we need, it helps us remember that He is our provider. A friend of mine used to say to me, "ask for what you need." This is so true with God.

#7: Prayer is important because it allows God to transform our hearts. When we pray, our hearts are softer and God is able to mold us into the person He wants us to be.

Prayer is important and we need to communicate with God so our relationship with God continues to grow. Until next week.... Peace and Blessings... Johnny



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Person of the Week for June 19-25

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

Deacon for this week: 6/19 Keith Harris

Deacon for next week: 6/26 Gene Sherwood

Properties for June: David Jenkins



7/4 Kathy Richards
2016 N Hills Dr 27612

7/12 Jean Glosson
40 Bashford Rd 27606

7/23 Darrell Jenkins
3101 Cartwright Dr 27612



Ice Cream Social This Wednesday, June 22nd

Make plans to join us for Bible study and fellowship! Our youth will be leading our Wednesday evening Bible study, starting at 6:30pm. Following the service, we will have a church-wide ice cream and dessert social. Please bring your favorite dessert and join in the fun and fellowship as we celebrate CVBC.



PENCIL IT IN

Mark your calendars for Friday, July 15

The Young Hearts will be going to the Pam's Farmhouse Restaurant for lunch. More details to come!

Prayer Concerns:

HOME

Frances Viano
Darrell Jenkins
Jean Glosson
Sandi Robinson
Walt Switzer
Catherine Mullins
Jane Williams – having eye surgery on Tues.
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
Betsy Shaw – Sunrise of Raleigh on Edwards Mill Rd.

OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week
The Price family – Missionaries in Wales



We extend our sympathies to the family of Mrs. Bonnie Wright, who passed away last Monday, June 13, 2022. Bonnie was a charter member of Crabtree Valley Baptist Church, serving as Deacon and Sunday School teacher for several years. A funeral service was held on Thursday, June 16, 2022 in the Chapel of Mitchell Funeral Home, officiating was Pastor Johnny Richards.
<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/raleigh-nc/bonnie-wright-10789237>



**Vacation Bible School and Science Camp
Wednesday evenings from 5:30-8pm**

STARTS NEXT WEEK, JUNE 29TH!

We will meet weekly for 5 weeks.
June 29, July 6, July 13, July 20 and July 27
Please see Cheryl Walker if you would like to volunteer for any or all nights!