

# CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



## THE VALLEY ECHO

June 6, 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 11 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](mailto:jkrich6@hotmail.com).



### Crabtree Café and Business Meeting Sunday, June 12, after church

Menu: Pork BBQ Sliders (mini sandwiches), Potato Casserole, Slaw, and Desserts. *The BBQ is from Beth's childhood church, and is always delicious!*

## —STAYING— CONNECTED

If you can't be here in person, tune in weekly for our Virtual Worship Service which is released by 11am on Sunday

<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...

Think back with me for a minute to the time you began learning the alphabet. It may have been about the same time you were learning to read. I remember in school watching my teacher write out the letters on the chalkboard. I always liked her using the yellow chalk. For some reason I liked it better than the white. She would write each letter on the board, and we would have to write the letters on our papers. I don't remember exactly how many times we had to write each letter, but I remember the letters going across my paper.

I'm going to attempt to use this newsletter space to give you an encouraging word for the beginning of each week, using the letters of the alphabet. I have not written these down already because I want to trust God to give me what I need to say each week. I will begin this week with the letter "A". To me, there is no better word that starts with "A" than the word **abide**. I can move a little further and say "abide in Christ". To abide in Christ means to stay connected with Christ. John 15:5 will probably come to mind when we think about abiding in Christ. Here are the words. **"I am the vine, you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."**

When I think about abiding in Christ, I think of constantly doing things or saying things that keep me focused on who Christ is. Singing hymns and christian music (in my car) helps me stay focused while driving. Plus, I have a great audience...me. Listening to good preaching on the radio helps me hear God's word and ask Him to apply what I hear to my life. Doing something for someone else helps me remember that Christ is calling us to serve others. When I think of my life, God has blessed me and blesses me each and every day. Helping someone else, with something they may have trouble with, is a good way to keep me grounded in my faith.

Our scripture tells us to stay connected to Christ so we can bear much fruit. What is the fruit? The fruit is the fruit mentioned in Galatians 5:22-23. The fruit we will bear is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. These are all very pleasant words to read. These words are also very pleasant for others to see. I enjoy walking by apple trees, peach trees, pear trees and other trees that bear fruit. To see the delicious fruit hanging from the tree is a sign the tree is doing what it is supposed to be doing, bearing fruit. We are also to bear these fruit Paul mentions. The only way we can do it, especially with all the things taking place in life, is abiding in Christ. Until next week...

Peace and Blessings...

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 June 5- 11**

Bonnie Wright  
The Reserve at Mills Farm  
2000 Mills Chase Loop – Villa A  
Apex, NC 27523

**Deacon for this week:** 6/4 Sue Edwards  
**Deacon for next week:** 6/12 Barbara Goodson

**Properties for June:** David Jenkins

### **CALL ON HIS NAME**



**Have you ever thought about the names of God and what they mean?** During the Sundays in June, our pastor will be bringing messages about six names of God. We hope you will join us for these important messages, either in person or online.

**June 12:** Adonai (sovereign Lord)  
and Yahweh (the Lord God)  
Genesis 15:1-5; Exodus 3:12-14

**June 19:** Jehovah Nissi (The Lord is My Banner)  
Exodus 17:14-16

**June 26:** Jehovah-Raah (The Lord is My Friend)  
Psalm 23

### **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  
Bonnie Wright – The Reserve at Mills Farm in Apex  
Betsy Shaw – Sunrise of Raleigh on Edwards Mill Rd.

#### **OTHER:**

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



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

We will meet weekly for 5 weeks.

**June 29, July 6, July 13, July 20 and July 27**  
Bible Stories, Crafts, Science and Live Animals  
Please see Cheryl Walker if you would like to volunteer for any or all nights!



**It's time to nominate Deacons for the upcoming year.** If you did not pick up your envelope this past Sunday, it will be mailed out this week. Please be in prayer about who will be chosen for these positions. **All ballots are due Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>.**

**Also - New Church Directories are available to be picked up in the lobby.**