

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

April 15, 2024

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SECRETARY ON VACATION

**Tuesday, April 16 through
Monday, April 29**

For the next 2 weeks, the church will be closed except for the Pantry days. On Wed, Apr 17 and Wed, Apr 24 someone will be here from 9am till noon. Please contact your deacon or our deacon chair, Barbara Best if you have a need. *There will not be a newsletter the week of April 22. I plan to be in the office Tuesday, April 30, and to send a newsletter that week.*



5/2 - Keith Harris

4113 Weaver Dr 27612

5/5 - Freeda Poniros

107 Gary St 27606

5/10 - Robert Best

5009 Picardy Place 27612

5/19- Charles Allard

960 Carolina Bell Rd
Apex 27502



A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

This past week, like you and millions others, I witnessed the marvel of the eclipse of the sun. I looked up. A posture I need to do more often, not to watch the sun but to behold the Son of God.

For a few moments last week we felt as ONE. Political partisanship was laid aside, as were all those religious differences--and we just looked up and recognized the vastness of space and the littleness of humankind. For a time, we were not a nation wracked by argument and vitriol but a people more alike than different.

Looking up will do that. And that is why we need to do it more often. Everytime we gather as church the opportunity for something special happens. We remember there is SOMEONE greater than all of us put together and that remembrance then binds us together in special relationship that is sacred. So I keep looking up, not just on eclipse days, but on days where everything is eclipsed by the wonder and goodness of God. "Lift up your heads, O you gates, be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of Glory may come in....Psalm 24:7

Last week was a beautiful reminder of the vastness of God's universe. And an appreciation for all those strange looking people wearing comical looking glasses. And it happened because we were looking up. Some of the best things in life have a way of happening when we look up. So give it a try this week, not into the blinding light of the sun, but to the King of Glory whose light shines on us all.

Brave Journey,
Bill

Please note: Pastor Bill will be away the week of April 15-19. **There will not be Prayer meeting this week, Wed, April 17.**

Weekly Church Calendar

EACH SUNDAY

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
2:00-5:00pm Point Church (Filipino)

EACH WEDNESDAY

9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open
6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups
6:30pm Bible Study and Prayer meeting

EACH THURSDAY

7:30pm Gamblers Anonymous

SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAY

6:30pm Tarheel Toastmasters

MONTHLY

Young Hearts Fellowship



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, making phone calls or a visit.

Person of the Week for Apr 14-20

Catherine Mullins – Rm 316
Sunrise of Cary
1206 W. Chatham St
Cary, NC 27513

Person of the Week for Apr 21-27

Betsy Shaw
4910 Morehead Dr
Raleigh, NC 27614

CONNECT with us GETTING TO KNOW YOU!

To Our Church Families

Our pastor has shared with us during our worship services his desire to get to know our church families. The deacons have designed a form we hope will help to accomplish this goal. Copies of the form were distributed on Sunday at Crabtree Cafe. Your deacon will be in touch with you at church or by mail to provide you with a form. Please complete the form and return it to the church office on Sunday, April 22, 29 or May 1. There is a tray on the shelf between the bookcases in the office to put completed forms or you may mail them to the PO Box. The church office will be closed throughout the week for the next two weeks except for the Food Pantry on Wed mornings.

Thank you for your responses. Your Deacons

Prayer Concerns:

HOME:

Sandi Robinson
Margaret Martinez
Faye Hayes
Frances Viano

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Anne Barden – Oak Hill Asst Living in Angier
Catherine Mullins – Sunrise of Cary
Betsy Shaw – Group Home/Assisted Living: Val's Place
Peninah Brown – in Colorado

OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week



YOUNG HEARTS APRIL OUTING

We will be meeting for lunch on Wednesday, April 24 at 11:00am at the High Park Grill, located at 625 E Whitaker Mill Rd, Raleigh, NC 27608. **Sign up in the lobby.**

DISASTER RELIEF



HYGIENE KITS FOR DISASTER RELIEF

Our goal is 200 kits.

We are collecting Hygiene kits for Church World Services again this year. **PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS - NO SUBSTITUTES - DO NOT ADD ANY EXTRA ITEMS.**

In a one-gallon Ziploc bag place the follow items:

- One hand towel measuring approximately 15" x 28" to 16" x 32" (no finger tip, bath, dish towel, or micro-fiber)
- One wash cloth
- One wide-tooth comb removed from the package (found at discount stores)
- One fingernail or toenail clipper removed from the package (either one is acceptable)
- One bath size bar of soap in the original package
- One toothbrush in the original package
- Ten standard size Band-aids

Do not add toothpaste - Church World Services will add toothpaste to the bag prior to shipping.

Iva Snyder will again prepare bags for those that prefer to make a donation. The cost is \$10 for each kit. You can pay with cash or check payable to CVBC by June 2. **All kits are due at the church by Sunday, June 9 for delivery mid June.**