

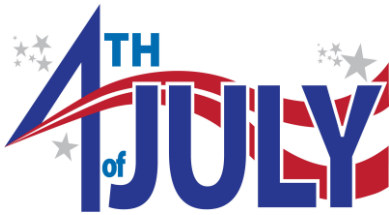
# CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



## THE VALLEY ECHO

July 1, 2024

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Church location: 4408 Lead Mine Rd Raleigh, NC 27612 Phone: (919) 781-5345  
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Church Office hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm (closed on Friday)



**Wednesday July 3**  
VBS from noon -3:00pm  
and no evening activities.

**Thursday, July 4**  
Church office will be  
closed for the holiday.



### Ice Cream Social

**Wednesday, July 10**  
Hosted by Bill and Kathy  
Slater, at 6:30pm in the  
Fellowship Hall



*Blessed is the  
Nation whose God  
is the Lord.*  
Psalm 33:12

### A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

As we pause to celebrate the 4th of July, we look around and see a country that seems more divided and polarized than ever.

Paul, writing to a church in Corinth plagued by similar conflict wrote those immortal words so often quoted---"Love is patient. It is kind. It is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth."

There's not a political candidate out there who could get elected on that platform, but don't you wish there were? Don't you wish someone would stand up and say, "Enough of this. We've tried every other way; let's try the way of love." Well, someone did, and they crucified him, and yet---2000 years later, we are still talking about him. His was the way of love, and something in us still knows it is the only thing that can bring us all together.

So, set off the fireworks and eat some watermelon, but most of all decide whose allegiance you will offer and whose way of life you will choose. There can be only one answer, only one power on earth that can change the heart and bring a nation together. The power of God's love as lived through God's people.

It's our time to once again have it said of us--"they are turning the world upside down." May it be, Lord, may it be.....as I not only celebrate our country but as I pledge my continued highest allegiance to that Kingdom not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Brave Journey,  
Bill

**Church office information:**  
**Interim Pastor** • Dr. Bill Slater  
**Music Director** • Dr. Risa Poniros  
**Secretary** • Peggy Utley  
**Youth Director** • Anna Clark  
**Website updates/maintenance**  
webmaster@crabtreevalleybaptist.org



## Weekly Church Calendar

### **EVERY SUNDAY**

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship Service  
2:00-5:00pm Christ Connect Church (Filipino)  
\*Meets first Sat monthly at 9:30am for Men's Bible Study

### **EVERY WEDNESDAY**

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

### **THURSDAY**

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> - 12:30-1:30pm Crabtree Rotary Club  
7:30pm Gamblers Anonymous

### **SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAY**

6:30pm Tarheel Toastmasters

### **MONTHLY**

Young Hearts Fellowship



### **SHARE THE SONSHINE**

*Make a call, a visit or send a card!*

### **Person of the Week for June 30-July 6**

Mr. Charlie Capps  
3325 Ashby Place  
Raleigh, NC 27604



## **TAKE AND EAT DRINK**

We will observe the Lord's Supper  
on Sunday, July 14



**Sunday, July 21  
following  
worship service.**

## Prayer Concerns:

### **HOME:**

Risa & Freeda Poniros  
Virginia Dixon – on-going health issues  
Sandi Robinson  
Jetta Lewis  
Margaret Martinez  
Bobby & 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

### **OTHER:**

Sonshine Person of the Week



**Wednesdays from noon – 3:00pm  
July 3, July 10, July 31, & August 7**

Bible Stories, Crafts, Science  
and Live Animals!

There are registration forms in the lobby.

## **Board of Deacons**



**It's time to nominate Deacons for the upcoming year.** There are envelopes for each church member or family on the lobby table with a letter explaining the process and a ballot(s). Those not picked up by Sun, July 14 will be mailed. Please be in prayer about who will be chosen for these positions. **All ballots are due Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>.**



**The Young Hearts are going to the Carolina  
Barbecue Restaurant in Garner,  
on Wednesday, July 24.**

Meet at the church at 10:30am to ride the van or meet at the restaurant at 11:00am. Please sign up at the church.