

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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



Thursday, April 13

6:30pm Maundy Thursday service

Join us as we share the Last Supper and meditate on the sacrifice that Jesus made on the cross for our sins. *Invite friends, neighbors and family members to join us for this time of worship and reflection.*

No Wednesday night service April 12.



Sunday, April 16

6:30am Sunrise Service

at Raleigh Memorial Park

7501 Glenwood Ave

Shelter, chairs and a light breakfast will be provided.

11:00am Easter Worship service

Church office contact information:

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Thought for the Week

The song of angels in the Book of Revelation resonates with all Christians all the time but especially at Easter. "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise" (Rev.5:12). The curtain of heavenly mystery is rolled back in John's vision. The question is being asked, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?" There is silence in heaven. No one steps forward. No one in the

universe is worthy to open the scroll and look inside it. Then, Jesus the lamb comes and takes the sealed scroll of judgments and the angels break forth in song, "Worthy is the Lamb".

Jesus was worthy to open the sealed scroll because he is the sacrificial lamb who took our sins upon himself and died on our behalf. He is worthy because He is the Son of God sent by the Father to die for our sins. He is worthy because He was without sin. He is worthy because he was victorious in every battle fought with Satan. He is worthy because he was slain and rose from the grave victoriously.

Acknowledging that Jesus and Jesus alone is worthy, there are many people who do not feel worthy to serve God. We can easily identify with John the Baptist who said of Jesus, "He is the one who comes after me, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie" (John 1:27). The prodigal son who wasted his inheritance and returned to his father said, "I am no longer worthy to be called your son."

It is useless for anyone to think that they are worthy to serve God. That would be arrogance at the highest level. God does not call us into his service because we are worthy. He calls us into service because of His love, grace and forgiveness. We are made worthy by acknowledging our sins, repenting and accepting God's forgiveness.

Let's face it, God has only redeemed sinners to call upon to do his work. Paul fully acknowledged that fact and said, "We always pray for you, that our God will count you worthy of His calling, and that he will powerfully fulfill your every good desire and work of faith" (2 Thessalonians 1:11) In Colossians 1:9-11 Paul wrote, "For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to His glorious might so that you may have full endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

We are worthy to serve the Lord not because of our deeds but because God qualifies us. When we repent of our sins and accept Him as Lord and Savior He forgives us, redeems us and qualifies us. Why then should we hesitate to serve Him?

In His Love, Charles

Weekly Church Calendar

EACH SUNDAY

*9:45am Sunday School
 *11:00am Worship Service
 *Child care provided downstairs.
 2:00-7:00pm Kenyan Fellowship

EACH WEDNESDAY:

9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open
 6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups
 6:30pm Bible study & Prayer
 7:30pm Choir Practice

EACH THURSDAY:

8:00pm Gamblers Anonymous

MONTHLY: (4th Thursday of each month)

Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

Calendar of Events:

Thursday, April 13 ~ Maundy Thursday

6:30pm Maundy Thursday service
No Wednesday night services on April 12.

Sunday, April 16 ~ Easter services

6:30am Sunrise Service at Raleigh Memorial Park
 11:00am Easter Worship service

Monday, April 17

Church office closed
 7:00pm Deacons meeting

Sunday, April 30

Crabtree Cafe
 Business meeting

Attendance **4/9**

Sunday School	37
Visitors	
Total	37

Worship Attendance: 56

Deacon for this week: 4/16 Tom Edwards

Deacon for next week: 4/23 Robert Best

Properties for April

4/9 Randy Walker	4/23 Darrell Jenkins
4/16 Gene Sherwood	4/30 David Jenkins

Ushers for April

Randy Walker	Ben Best
Walt Switzer	Frances Viano

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Bonnie Wright
 Aladine Rogers
 Sandi Robinson
 Iva Snyder
 Greg Small
 Eleanor Cromartie
 Lee Snyder
 Ed & Cassie Glover
 Pam Bilbro

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Al Coley – Sunrise at North Hills – Room 286
 Wilton Harris – Heritage Woods Ret. Comm. - W-S
 Jean Greene – Snow Hill Asst. Living - Snow Hill, NC
 Mary Cain – 806 Springmoor Circle 27615
 Ed Glover – Hillcrest rehab



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions

Our church goal: \$700.00

Received to date: \$360.00

We will close this offering at the end of the month.



A special 'thank you' to our church family and friends for your gracious and generous response to our request for food for Risa's Welcome Luncheon. We are also grateful to the members of the Hospitality Committee who worked willingly and tirelessly to make this event a big success. We are very happy to welcome Risa into our church family. Risa, we are so glad for the opportunity to meet your family and friends and share food, fun and fellowship, it was a good day for celebrating God's love and blessings.

Jean Glosson & Gene Sherwood
 Co-Chairs, Hospitality Committee



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Keeping in touch with those who are not able to attend church on a regular basis.

Make a call, a visit or send a card.

This week: April 9-15 Pam & Rick Bilbro

Next week: April 16-22 Jean Greene



Our April business meeting has been moved to Sun., April 30th to accommodate our Youth Ministry. The Youth will be leading the worship service with Andrew McCullagh bringing the morning message. Immediately after worship we will have the Crabtree Café and Business meeting