

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

November 23, 2015

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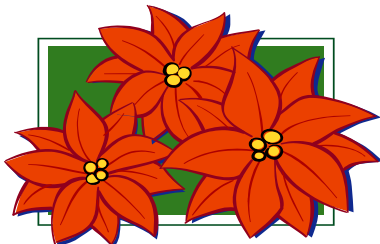
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Wednesday, November 25

Office & Pantry closed
6:00pm Thanksgiving Service

Thursday, November 26

Closed for Thanksgiving



POINSETTIAS

We are accepting \$12.00 donations to the Flower fund to help with the cost of the Poinsettias that decorate our church for the Christmas season. If you would like to make a donation "in honor of" or "in memory of" a loved one, please use the form in the bulletin or mail it to the church (PO Box 30954, 27622) along with your donation information by 12/16. A printed insert will be in the Dec 20th bulletin.

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Thought for the Week

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this week, let us not forget that it took a national tragedy for Americans to pause and give thanks. We were in the midst of a civil war. The North was pitted against the South and some families were pitted against each other in the terrible conflict.

In may have been a revelation from God that caused Abraham Lincoln to declare a day of Thanksgiving in an effort to heal the nation's wounds. Historians tell us that Lincoln sought

to bind up the nation's wounds by instilling in a divided national heart its former unity.

To this end, on October 3, 1863, Abraham Lincoln issued the first national Thanksgiving proclamation. He said, "In the midst of a civil war of unequal magnitude and severity, I invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next as a day of thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father...and I recommend they fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty's hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as may be consistent with the Divine purpose to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility and union."

We are not in civil war at this time but we are close. Our nation is divided in many ways and not only nationally but internationally we are fighting an ideology that is barbaric and extremely dangerous. There is very little peace on earth and good will toward men. At the same time our nation enjoys a level of prosperity unknown to many others. Interest rates and gas rates are down. Auto sales are up and merchants are optimistic as Americans line up with wallets and credit cards to buy an unprecedented amount of goods.

In Psalm 103:2 David said, "Bless the Lord, o my soul, and forget not all his benefits. My thought for this week is this: Do not take your blessings for granted. Do not think for one moment that God owes you or that you deserve it or that you have earned it. The Bible tells us clearly that "Every good thing bestowed and every perfect gift is from above coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow. Let us not forget to express our Thanks to God for all his blessings.

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 MONDAY:

9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open

EACH TUESDAY:

6:00-8:00pm Kenyan Fellowship

EACH WEDNESDAY:

9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open
6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups
7:00pm Bible study & Prayer
8:00pm Choir Practice

EACH THURSDAY:

8:00pm Gamblers Anonymous

EACH FRIDAY: 7:00-10:30pm Kenyan Fellowship

MONTHLY: (4th Thursday of each month)

Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

Calendar of Events:

Wednesday, November 25

Office and Pantry closed
6:00pm Thanksgiving service

Sunday, November 29

5th Sunday Benevolence offering
1st Sunday of Advent

Friday, December 4

Flower Committee – decorating for Christmas
Volunteering at the Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen

Attendance 11/22

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| Sunday School | 28 |
| Visitors | |
| Total | 28 |

Worship Attendance: 45

Deacon for this week: 11/29 Larry Nunery

Deacon for next week: 12/6 Bonnie Wright

Properties for December

David Jenkins

Ushers for December

Randy Walker Walt Switzer
Ben Best Shirley Keener



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Make a call, a visit or send a card!

This week: Nov 22-28 Al Coley

Next week: Nov 29-Dec 5 Johnnie Grubbs

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Sue Edwards
Jo Haag
Haline Eller
Greg Small
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 – Springmoor Rehab - room 253-A



Join the fun at choir on Wednesday Nights starting at 8pm! We are working on music for our **Christmas Cantata, which will be on Sunday, December 20th during the Worship service.** We would love for you to join us!



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
Our church goal is \$800.00

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
Global Missions Offering
Our church goal is \$800.00



We're looking for a few volunteers to go serve at the Shepherd's Table soup kitchen in downtown Raleigh on Friday, December 4. We will meet at CVBC at 9:45am sharp to carpool, we'll be at the soup kitchen from 10:15-12:15, returning around 12:45pm. **Call or see Shirley Keener to participate 919-844-1987.**