

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



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Sunday, November 23 at 6:00pm

Make plans to join us as we welcome Mr. Chris Reed as our new Minister of Music! This celebration will take place of our normal Fellowship meal, so bring your best dishes and desserts to share!

The monthly business meeting will follow.



Soup & Scripture is back on Dec 3 & 10 at 1:00pm.

Come enjoy the warmth and fellowship as we share a meal (soup prepared by the Pastor) and study scripture. **Invite your friends!**



One of my favorite things to do each week is to sit down and write this little article for the Valley Echo. Sure, sometimes the deadline comes before I'm ready and, true to form, I almost always wait until the last minute to start it but it is still a special time. For example, I am sitting at my window enjoying the beautiful leaves in my yard and listening to...pretty much nothing. I can hear the refrigerator running and that's about it. It is such a peaceful time of my week. It gives me a dedicated time to reflect on things I've recently done, heard or seen.

Just this morning I came across something on one of our favorite social networks on the Internet. It was a great way to teach children about how to manage their money. The concept isn't new – save, spend and share. Even the smallest child can understand the importance of these three ideas. It was a bank that was divided into 3 separate sections. Each section is equal in size. The idea is to teach the child to divide whatever money they receive three different ways. **Saving** might be the hardest part of this practice. It is for most of us. Eventually, though, the child will learn to love sound of money jingling in the savings section. Most children won't have unexpected expenses like adults do, but doing this really emphasizes the need to think ahead. The **spending** part is pretty much self-explanatory, as most of us like to have money on hand for immediate needs/wants. With a child, though, it gives them a place to collect their money so they have it when it's time to go to the store. The **sharing** section might be the child's favorite of the three. Most children enjoy being a "helper". They like being able to show that they care for others. This is evident whenever our children at church work to make money for Annie Armstrong or Lottie Moon. When they experience this joy as a child, the interest in giving to others generally carries on to adulthood.

By the time we are on our own as adults, we have decided how we want to manage our money and other assets. In today's economy it's easy to forget to save and share as well as spend. There are times in life where minimal living expenses use up most of what we earn. But keeping focus on these three practices – saving, spending and sharing – helps us to become good stewards of what God has given us. And don't forget, your *presence* is as important as your *presents*. God knows what we have to give and when we find ourselves a little thin on the monetary gifts we can share, we can give of our time. Both are important to God's work. And as life goes on, we generally find a different balance in what we can give and what we can do. It's called just being a good steward.

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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

1:00-2:00pm Crafting with a Purpose

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)

6:00pm Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Lee Snyder

Ed & Cassie Glover

Susan Carden – Frances Viano's daughter

Jean Greene

Pam Bilbro

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Al Coley – Sunrise at North Hills – Room 286

Wilton Harris – Heritage Woods Ret. Comm. - Winston-Salem

Gerry Campbell - Arizona



The 2015 Budget will be voted upon at the next business meeting on Sunday, Nov 23. A copy of the new budget will be available in the narthex for your review prior to the meeting.

The Stewardship Committee

Calendar of Events:

Sunday, November 23

6:00pm Welcome dinner for Chris Reed

Business meeting

Wednesday, November 26

Office and Pantry closed

Prayer meeting cancelled

Thursday, November 27

Closed for Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 30

5th Sunday – Benevolence offering

First Sunday of Advent

Attendance **11/16**

Sunday School 35

Visitors

Total 35

Worship Attendance: 64

Deacon for this week: 11/23 Peninah Brown

Deacon for next week: 11/30 Tom Edwards

Greeter Schedule (front entrance)

11/23 Jim Greene 11/30 Frances Viano

Properties for November Ushers for November

Darrell Jenkins

Randy Walker Bobby Hayes

David Jenkins Walt Switzer

Alternate: Robert Best



SHARE THE SONSHINE

This week: November 16-22 Bill & Johnnie Grubbs

Next week: Share the Sunshine with someone who does not have a church home.



We are collecting new and/or gently used coats (for all sizes & genders) and blankets through the end of November. These items will go to Compassion International Ministries. This organization helps the local homeless and international refugees. There is a collection box in the Narthex.

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