

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

"CONTINUE IN PRAYER"



THE VALLEY ECHO

March 19, 2018

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



Sunday, March 25

Palm Sunday at 9:15am

The Children on Mission will be serving light breakfast items, juice and coffee. They will also have some handmade crafts available. *All funds collected will be given to the Annie Armstrong Easter offering.*



Thursday, March 29

(Wed night activities cancelled)

6:30pm Maundy Thursday service



Sunday, April 1

6:30am Sunrise Service

at Raleigh Memorial Park

11:00am Easter Worship service

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



Life is not lived on a level plain. Rather, it is filled with mountains and valleys, ups and downs, highs and lows, good and bad. It was certainly that way for Jesus. His parents witnessed the high moment when the wise men visited their little baby presenting him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the low moment of having to flee to Egypt to prevent King Herod's soldiers from killing Him. Jesus

experienced the high moment of transfiguration on Mt. Tabor to the low of constant attacks on his authority by the religious leaders of the day. He went from the High moment of the Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem to the low moment of Judas' betrayal. He went from the high moment of gathering his disciples together for the Last Supper to the false trials and horrible crucifixion. But in the end His victorious resurrection proved His power over sin and death. With mission accomplished He ascended into Heaven telling all believers that he was going to prepare a place for them so that they could be where he is.

Don't think it strange or out of the ordinary when your life is filled with highs and lows. THAT'S LIFE! Jesus was clear, "In the world you will have tribulation." We have never been promised an easy, struggle free, care free life. Life is filled with daily challenges, obstacles to overcome, problems to solve, headaches to ease. What we must realize is that there is strength in struggle. It is most often the low moments of life that mold and shape us into better individuals. Just as a little biddy has to peck its way through the egg shell to gain strength for the life it faces in the larger world, so, we too, must push, struggle and overcome the obstacles in life that would deny us a greater experience.

We must look upon our highs in life as energizing strength and reserved power to overcome our lows. We must look upon our lows as moments that test our faith, our resolve and our determination not to yield to defeat. The strength in struggle makes the victory all the more sweet. Jesus gained the victory because he was obedient to the Heavenly Father, he finished the course and he refused to give in when tempted to do so. With God's help, we too can be victorious in our struggles. Jesus' pledge to be with us always continues to this day and will continue until the end of time. If God is good to us in our high moments is he not also good to us in our low moments by being with us? And with Him victory is ours. There is a place awaiting our arrival in heaven that Jesus himself has prepared for all who believe in Him.

In His Love, Charles

Weekly Church Calendar

EACH SUNDAY:

- *9:45am Sunday School
- *11:00am Worship Service
- *Child care provided downstairs.

EACH TUESDAY:

- 6:30pm Triangle Toastmasters

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:

Sunday, March 25 ~ Palm Sunday

- 9:15am Kids on Mission serving a light breakfast

Tuesday, March 27

- 9:00am – Senior Adult Rally

Thursday, March 29

- 6:30pm Maundy Thursday service

Sunday, April 1 ~ Easter Sunday

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

Sunday, April 8

- Communion

Sunday, April 15

- 3:00pm Wendel Werner concert

Attendance 3/18

Sunday School 26

Visitors _____

Total 26

Worship Attendance: 51

Deacon for week: 3/25 Elizabeth Best

Deacon for week: 4/1 Ben Best

Properties for April

Week 1: George Shore

Week 2: Randy Walker

Week 3: Gene Sherwood

Week 4: Darrell Jenkins

Ushers for April

Randy Walker Ben Best

Walt Switzer Frances Viano



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.

March 25 -31 Rick & Pam Bilbro

April 1 – 7 Jean Greene

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Greg and Emily Small

Joe Clary

Eleanor Cromartie

Pam Bilbro

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Wilton Harris – Heritage Woods Ret. Comm. - W-S

Jean Greene – Snow Hill Asst. Living - Snow Hill, NC

Mary Cain – 806 Springmoor Circle 27615



We express our sympathy to Greg and Emily and the rest of the family of Mrs. Grace Small. Grace, age 87, died Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 5:30am. A reception and Memorial service was held on Monday, March 19 at Crabtree Valley Baptist Church, with interment at Raleigh Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be sent to CVBC at PO Box 30954, Raleigh, NC 27622.



Anne Armstrong Easter Offering

Our goal: \$600.00 Received to date: \$195.00

Look for envelopes in your boxed sets and on the lobby table. We will receive this offering through the end of March.



Welcome House Update

Many thanks to everyone who helped with the yard sale and especially for Marilyn, Barbara, Peninah and Gene who sold everything except the kitchen sink. Many shoppers donated extra money when they heard it was for helping refugees and immigrants. Together we raised more than \$1800 for Welcome House Ministry. Also thanks to our friends at Crabtree Valley Baptist Church for hosting 31 Virginia Tech Students who spent two nights at the church. This group also cleaned out the trailer and worked on the playground behind the church, worked at the house (prep for painting the basement walls, scrubbed the dining/kitchen floors and yard work) and painted two apartments in two different neighborhoods in partnership with Lutheran Family Services.

Marc & Kim Wyatt