

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

This week, April 26 thru May 1, Pastor Johnny will be in the office from 9-12 on Saturday. If at any time, you need to talk with him, you can send a text or call 919-691-1701, or e-mail to jkrich6@hotmail.com.



Please note that the church office will be closed on Thursday, April 29.

—STAYING— CONNECTED

Tune in weekly for our Virtual
Worship Service which is released by
11am on Sunday

<https://www.crabtreevalleybaptist.org/sermons/> You can also find current and past sermons on Youtube.

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=crabtree+valley+baptist+church

Church office information:

Interim Pastor • Rev. Johnny Richards
Music Director • Risa Poniros
Secretary • Peggy Utley
Youth Leader • Ashley Walker
Website updates/maintenance
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From the Pastor's Heart...



This past Saturday was my first office day. I knew one of my goals on Saturday was to put new contacts, (church members), in my cell phone. It's important to know who is calling me. So I began the process of adding member's names. As I began the process, faces began to pop in my head. People I have met over the past two weeks I was beginning to recall. (This was exciting) As I was typing in names and numbers, a verse of scripture also popped in my head. Has this ever happened to you?

Have you ever been working on a project and God places a scripture in your head? It is quite an eye-opening experience. Here is the scripture he reminded me about: *"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."* (John 10:27-28)

What a wonderful and beautiful promise from God, our shepherd. When we think of God being our shepherd, our minds may automatically go to the 23rd Psalm, which is another beautiful passage. But on this day, God needed me to know, and probably to share with you, these four truths. **First, God knows you.** He knows all about you. He doesn't even need a contact list in the phone, or an email or even text list. God knows you because He created you. For this reason, we can rejoice that He knows all about us. He knows our joys and our pain. Be thankful today that He knows you. **Second, God wants to lead you.** He wants to lead you to the good things in life. He wants to give you abundant life, which is a life of joy. Just like a sheep, sometimes we want to go on our own, and those may be the times we find struggles more than others. But God wants to lead you, and He wants you to follow. **Third, God wants you to have eternal life.** This is why He sent His Son to the earth, and to ultimately die on the cross. He did that so we could have forgiveness for our sins and accept Him into our hearts, and have salvation. This is His free gift to you, if you will accept it. **Fourth, nothing can take you away from Him.** If you have given your heart to Christ, nothing, and no one, can take that salvation away from you. Why? Because God gave it to you. People did not. God will always love you and you will always have a place in heaven waiting for you. He promised you that.

I'm glad this scripture popped in my mind, and I am glad I have the chance to share it with you. Who knows, there may be someone who needed to hear this today. Until next time...

Peace and Blessings...
Johnny



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Person of the week April 26-May 2

Bonnie Wright – Apt 403
The Reserve at Mills Farm
2000 Mills Chase Loop – Villa A
Apex, NC 27523

****Please note the new address****

Easter OFFERING

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Our church goal: \$600.00 Received to date: \$510.00

If you have these envelopes in your boxed set, you may use them. If not, just note on your check Easter offering. **We will close this offering next week.**

Church DEACONS

DEACON OF THE WEEK:

4/25 Beth Jenks

5/2 Gene Sherwood

Next Deacons meeting:

Tues, May 18 at 6:00pm (new time)



It's been a long time since we have been able to worship together inside the church. We are hoping it will not be much longer. We are tentatively looking at June 6th as our first inside worship experience in over a year. A lot has to take place for this to happen, so let's all pray for our deacons and those who are working to make this a reality.

Special Needs Ministry



If you or someone you know needs a walker or wheelchair, please contact the church office or Barbara Best. We have a small supply on-hand and will be downsizing to keep only a few onsite.

Prayer Concerns:

HOME

Frank Mills (husband of our Treasurer, Liz)
Dianne Ferguson (in Shallotte)
Faye Hayes – recovering from eye surgery
Virginia Dixon – recovering from knee replacement
Norwood Walker – Randy's father, under Hospice care
Anne Barden
Jetta Lewis
Charlotte Phelps (friend of Jean's)
Marci Phelps – Charlotte's daughter (friend of Jean Glosson)

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Anne Jenkins – Morningside on Dixie Trail - Room 132
Johnnie Grubbs – Cambridge Hills of Pittsboro – Room 208
Greg Small – Atria Oakridge- Apt 214
Bonnie Wright – The Reserve at Mills Farm in Apex

OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week
The Price family – Missionaries in Wales



- 5/2 Keith Harris
4113 Weaver Dr 27612
- 5/4 Rev. Johnny Richards
2016 N. Hills Dr 27612
- 5/5 Freeda Poniros
107 Gary St 27606
- 5/6 Johnnie Grubbs – Room 208
Cambridge Hills
140 Brookstone Lane
Pittsboro, NC 27312
- 5/10 Robert Best
5009 Picardy Place 27612
- 5/12 Lynda Weaver
5021 Lakemont Dr 27609
- 5/19 Charles Allard
960 Carolina Bell Rd
Apex 27502
- 5/30 Jim Weaver
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