

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 Pastor Johnny will be in the office on Saturday, June 5 from 9-12pm. If at any time, you need to talk with him, you can contact him by sending a text or calling 919-691-1701, or e-mail to jkrich6@hotmail.com.



**Sunday, June 6 at 11am
In-person Worship Service**



**Ice Cream Social
Wednesday, June 16 at 6:30**

We will be serving ice cream and all the trimmings.
Please make plans to join us!

Church office information:

Interim Pastor • Rev. Johnny Richards
Music Director • Risa Poniros
Secretary • Peggy Utley
Youth Leader • Ashley Walker
Website updates/maintenance
webmaster@crabtreevalleybaptist.org



From the Pastor's Heart...

As a young boy growing up, I had a couple opportunities to travel to Atlanta to see the Braves play. I can still remember the excitement I felt as the day approached. I was a huge fan of the team. I watched them play on television. To get a chance to see them in person, even though I would be in the upper deck, was the chance of a lifetime. I soaked it all in. We got there early enough to see them taking batting practice and then stayed for the whole game. I could hardly believe I was there, seeing guys I saw on television, in person.

While the excitement of this coming Sunday may not be as big as it was for me going to the baseball game, I can assure you I am still excited. This Sunday will be the first time in more than 60 Sundays that we will have had the chance to worship in the same building, in person. I know a lot of you have watched the services on-line, and we are indeed grateful for your doing that. But the fact remains that worship is not the same on television, or on the computer, as it is in person. There is just something about being together, even with masks on, that makes worship more meaningful.

This coming Sunday will be different. While we are excited to see everyone return, we do have to take precautions to make sure everyone stays healthy. Therefore, you will notice some new things when you arrive. You will be greeted in the parking lot by our church greeters. They will instruct you as to what to do when you go inside. You are asked to wear masks inside. Your temperature will be checked. You will be asked some questions and we will take attendance. You will also be asked to use hand sanitizer. All of this is done to make sure you are safe. In the sanctuary, you will notice pews roped off and spaced seating for social distancing. Again, this is done for your safety. We will ask that no one sing other than the one singing from the pulpit. Offering plates will not be passed, but will be available to place your tithes and offerings.

I think one of the hardest things we are doing is asking that we move to the parking lot after worship to talk and fellowship. We want you to talk with each other. We want you to share how glad you are to see one another again. We do want you to do this outside, where we can talk safely. After everyone is outside, the sanctuary will be cleaned to be used the next Sunday. A lot of work has gone into the plan for Sunday. There is so much excitement to see everyone. Thanks to those who have worked so long to get things ready and to make sure everyone stays healthy. We care about you and look forward to seeing you. As John 4:24 tells us: **"God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship Him in Spirit and in truth."** I look forward to seeing you Sunday. Until then..

Peace and Blessings, Johnny



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Share the Sonshine is an outreach ministry. We can all be a part of this ministry by praying for these individuals, sending cards, making phone calls or a visit.

Person of the week May 30 – June 5

Greg Small Apt 204
Sunrise of Raleigh
4801 Edwards Mill Rd
Raleigh, NC 27612

**** Please note this new address for Greg ****



DEACON OF THE WEEK:

May 30 Ellen Collins
June 6 Jean Glosson

Next meeting: Tues, June 15 at 6:00pm



- 6/5 Sue Edwards
13201 Norwood Road
Raleigh, NC 27614
- 6/18 Cheryl Walker
4700 Theys Road
Raleigh, NC 27606



Many thanks to all of you who participated in the Hygiene Kit Mission Project. Through your generosity 152 kits were delivered to Church World Services Tuesday afternoon. A special thanks to Iva Snyder who prepared 72 kits and assisted those who were unable to shop for themselves. Our youth and children prepared 40 kits and there were several members who also dropped off kits. A special thanks to Whitt Stallings who delivered all the kits to CWS. To God be the Glory!

Prayer Concerns:

HOME

- Bobby Hayes – fell and broke his shoulder
- Frank Mills (husband of our Treasurer, Liz)
- 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 – Sunrise of Raleigh, Apt 204
- Bonnie Wright – The Reserve at Mills Farm in Apex

OTHER:

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



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

**Please note that we are implementing our new technology upgrades this week to make this a ‘live stream’. This will be the first time our Worship and Technology teams will be using the new equipment and there may be a few glitches to work out. Please be patient if you’re having problems trying to watch the service.



A “NEW BEGINNING” THANK YOU

Many thanks to our Worship Ministry Team, Church Secretary, Deacons, Properties Committee, Ushers, Greeters and all of our members who have been involved in the pre-planning discussions and the preparation for our “Grand Reopening” on Sunday, June 6. A special thank you to Iva Snyder who has “brightened the corner where we are” with lovely potted flowers to greet our members and guests.

God has blessed us throughout this long time in which we have been apart and has helped us to “stay connected” in faith, hope, and love for one another. We look forward to our “new normal” under the leadership of our pastor Rev. Johnny Richards.

Please continue to pray for our “New Beginning” and to invite your friends and neighbors and acquaintances to join us at eleven o’clock on Sunday.

Jean Glosson, Deacon Chair