HIGHLIGHTS



From Your Pastorm

Have you noticed the front of our bulletins on Sunday during Lent? The artwork contains a heart with a cross superimposed on it, and the text reads "A Journey of the Heart." That is truly the nature of a journey to the cross of Christ. As I continue to study the teachings of Jesus, the condition of our heart seems to be His greatest concern! Oh, we can put up a good front and fool people with our "church talk" and good deeds; but God knows the condition of our heart, and He knows how we serve ourselves instead of Him. Jesus makes it pretty clear that serving Him is not an option for a committed Christian! You see, He gave Himself for us...unconditionally...yet we want to put qualifiers on our service to Him!

So how do we do that? How about Jesus' own words: "If anyone would come after

me, he must deny himself and take up his cross Luke 9:23 daily and follow me." NIV When we read this with our 21st century minds, we could interpret this to mean that the cross is a burden, but let's look closer. The cross is symbolic of the willing sacrifice that Jesus made on our behalf. It is, therefore, a symbol of victory over death. And, as we talked about Sunday before last, Paul taught us the nature of the cross when he wrote: "For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." 1 Cor. 1:18 NIV The power of God...at our disposal daily! We are children of the King, and it's time to start living like it!

Blessings and peace...
Come Worship with Us Sunday!

Ramon

Our Mission...

"A people gathered in Christ; nurtured in His Spirit; and sent in His name."

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD



Sunday, March 29, 2009 10:45 a.m. Fifth Sunday of Lent

Beneath the Cross of Jesus Sanctuary Choir

The Means Clarifies the Ends John 12:20-33 Ramon Smith Sunday, April 5, 2009 10:45 a.m. Palm Sunday

> Lift Your Voice Sanctuary Choir

More Than Cheering Spectators
Mark 11:1-11
Ramon Smith

A NOTE FROM MARY



and the Sunday School Council

Normally, at this time of year, we think of new birth, resurrection, and...SUNDAY SCHOOL! Sunday School Celebration is always a fun part of the end of the church year at College Park. In years past, we have had a meal, either breakfast or dinner, in Smith Hall to celebrate Sunday School and thank our teachers and leadership for the important, wonderful job that they do.

This year the Sunday School Council would like to suggest something a little different. We want to encourage celebration, but on a class-by-class, department-by-department basis. Take your teachers and/or caregivers out to lunch or dinner. Send a note to your Sunday School teachers and leadership thanking them for the job they do so well fifty-plus weeks a year for you and your family. They do

these jobs because they love you and Christ, but we know that a little personal acknowledgment would make the load lighter and the path smoother.

We look forward to hearing the stories of how you have chosen to honor those who serve our Lord each week in our Sunday School classes.

Your Sunday School Council,

Russell Talley Beth Huff
Don Wilson Roger Jones
Roy Johnson John Crabbe
Sally Crotts Kent Hobson
Charlie Jones Laurie Cook

North American Missions Offering

Our Goal: \$5,000.00

Received to Date: Annie Armstrong - \$2,134.00 Global Missions - 1,578.00

\$3,712.00

WMU Salad Supper Tuesday, April 14 6:30 p.m.

Sandra Pollard, missionary to Chile for 25 years will be our guest speaker. Bring a salad and a friend!

The WMU Community Mission **Project** for March is to collect food and money for Crisis The Feinstein Control. Foundation will match monetary contributions dollar for dollar (each food item counts as a dollar donation). There is a box in Smith Hall for food items. Everyone is invited to join the WMU in this project to help those in need in our community.

IN TOUCH...with Jeff

I want to say how proud I am of our GA girls and leaders. This past Sunday's "Muffins for Missions" was such a great success. It is so much fun watching our young ladies work

together to make such a difference for the sake of spreading God's love around the world. Make no mistake, this is exactly why this past Sunday's mission project was successful. Yes, the money

raised (over \$530) was significant. However, the most important part was the experience of making a difference.

A big "thank you" to everyone who gave money! An even bigger "thank you" to the leaders and parents who made it happen. A humongous "thank you" to the GA's for the great service. I am so proud of you and all our children's mission groups!!

Attention GA's: There are 4 possible dates for the Mother/Daughter mini camps for girls that have completed grades 1-3, and many GA Camp dates for girls who have completed grades 4-6. These camps are wonderful! They offer fun opportunities and great bonding experiences for moms and daughters (or grandmothers, aunts & friends). Please see Lora Clayton, Brandi Smith or Beth Huff if you have questions.

There is a collection box next to the Welcome Desk for new or gently used books for Smart Start of Forsyth County.

To help make this event a success for young children, Barnes and Noble Booksellers is having a Bookfair April 17th -19th. During these days, up to 20% of voucher purchases (vouchers available at www.smartstart-fc.org) will be donated to Smart Start.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Spring Break Retreat

April 2-5, Caswell

Our youth group is going to the beach for Spring Break for a great retreat of fun, food and merriment (how many times have you seen THAT word used in a sentence?)! We will be staying at Caswell for a long weekend. The total cost is \$125 for one youth and \$100 for any more youth from the same family. A few spots remain so get your entire amount in today to get on the list. Make sure you are not the only one staying in Winston-Salem for Spring Break! Sign up today!

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

College Parkers

Thursday, April 16, 11:30 a.m.

Please join us on Thursday, April 16, at 11:30 a.m. as we enjoy a delicious covered-dish luncheon and a musical program by College Park's own *Grace Notes*.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Dulcimer Festival May 1-2

This year there are more opportunities to enjoy music and witness to visitors. We are offering more dinner and concert discount packages through April 19. If you think that the dulcimer may be the instrument for you, why not rent one and take a beginner class during this event. Details for the festival are posted at http://musicfestival.collegeparkbaptist.org/index.html or you may see one of

the committee members: Jerry Osborne, Leigh Cohen or Terry Lefler.

CRISIS CON†ROL MINISTRY Gift for April:

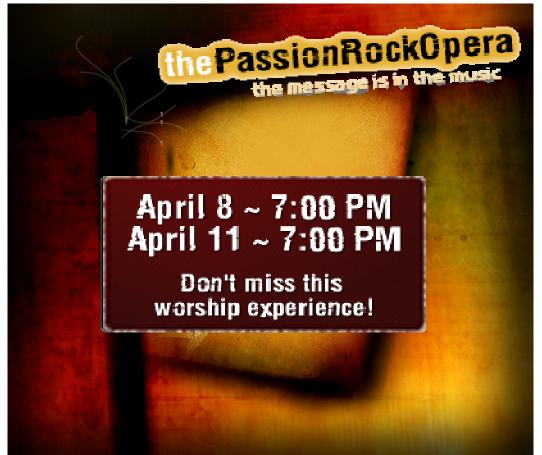
Peanut Butter and/or Jelly

"Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me." Matthew 25:40

<u>IN THE</u> HOSPITAL

Our prayers and support are offered to the following members of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital during the last two weeks:

> Margaret Carroll Frances Newton Karen Rose Luther Wood



Our Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Norma Howard in the death of her sister, to Janette Stoneman in the death of her brother-in-law, to Hugh Wells in the death of his sister, and to Jane Roberson in the death of her brother-in-law.

In Loving Memory of

Mrs. Helen Solley Crutchfield

December 15, 1924 to March 19, 2009

Member of College Park since September 1953

Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor
Jeff Allen, Assoc. Pastor/ Students
& Families
Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education
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STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

Worship Nursery Workers

March 29	<u>April 5</u>
Bill & Donna Hinson	Rachel Eller
Jennie Lewis	Ruby Warren
Barbie Morgan	Sheryl Burnett
Beth Ausley	Sally Crotts
Claudia Ausley	Van Crotts
Charlie Jones	Becky Haney

Greeters

March 29	<u> April 5</u>
Sarah Hauser	John Vogler
Ed Lane	Jim Pernell

Properties Committee

March 29
Robert Hill
April 5
Gary Elkins

Information Center for March

Van Crotts Sybil McBride

Information Center for April

James Cobbler Becky Haney

Deacon of the Week

March 29 - April 4
Larry Burnett

April 5 - 11
Van Crotts

No Family Night - Wednesday, April 1

Thursday, April 9 Pulled Pork

No Family Night - Wednesday, April 8

Baked Beans Cole Slaw Cornbread

Strawberry Shortcake

Permanent reservations will apply unless cancelled.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP THRU MAR. 22

Budget Requirement To Date \$191,688.35 Budget Receipts To Date (105.42%) \$202,084.18

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

MARCH 15

Sunday School	252
Morning Worship	329
Brookridge	51
L.I.F.E. Worship	28

MARCH 22

Sunday School	261
Morning Worship	302
Brookridge	47
L.I.F.E. Worship	29



"History Highlight"

When longtime Winston -Salem residents think about Crystal Lake, they recall lazy summer days spent by the swimming

pool, or they are reminded of their teenage years when they danced to the jukebox in the pavilion overlooking the pool. Early College Park members might have a different memory of Crystal Lake. When the pool closed after Labor Day in 1948, at the invitation of Harry Davis, members boarded up the open expanses of the pavilion, and installed a stove to help warm the worshippers during the cool fall, winter and spring days. The church met at Crystal Lake until the pool opened again on Memorial Day weekend in 1949.

If you would like to place a lily in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday, April 12, please submit your order form and payment to the church office no later than April 6. The cost will be \$12 per plant.

Order forms are located in the Information Lobby and in the church office.

