HIGHLIGHTS



From Your Pastor...

It doesn't seem possible that the season of Lent is already here! March 5th is Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of the season. I'm going to do something a little different this Lenten season: I'm preaching all of the Sunday sermons from the Old Testament. The Revised offers several Common Lectionary passages each Sunday: Old Testament, Psalms, Gospel, and NT Epistle. confess that most pastors (including myself) tend to default to one of the New Testament texts, and yet the richness of the Old Testament cannot be denied. So this year we'll do things a little differently and see how it goes...

As we have said in past years, the season of Lent leading up to Easter is also

a wonderful time to invite new people into the fellowship of College Park! There just seems to be new and rekindled curiosity in the hearts of so many people during this season (as well as Advent). For those who are looking for hope and purpose in life, the message of journeying to the cross with our Savior may be foreign; but, the message of forgiveness and hope is timeless and more precious than any message our world can offer! Church, be the church...be salt and light in a dark and confused world...tell the awesome story of Jesus the Christ!

> Blessings & Peace, Ramon

Our Mission...

Inside this issue:

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



THE WORSHIP OF GOD



March 2, 2014 11:00 a.m.

Baptism & Lord's Supper

This is the Day the Lord Has Made

Sanctuary Choir

March 16, 2014 11:00 a.m.

Speak and We Will Hear Sanctuary Choir

Change...Are You Kidding Me?

Genesis 12:1-4a Ramon Smith

March 9, 2014 11:00 a.m.

When the Stars Burn Down Sanctuary Choir

Sorting Out the Beginning

Genesis 2: 15-17; 3:1-7 Ramon Smith

> March 23, 2014 11:00 a.m.

Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy Sanctuary Choir & Bells

> Whine, Whine, Water! Exodus 17:1-7 Ramon Smith

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A NOTE FROM MARY



When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it." He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place!

This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven."

Genesis 28:16-17

While you might find it surprising (well, maybe not), I am one of those emotional, dramatic, artistic types. As I have been reminded lately, I feel strongly about a lot of things. When things go wrong, I feel strongly about it. I have been known to wallow in it a little...or a lot. However, there have been times in my life when I have looked back and realized that often the times when I have been most hurt or upset or frustrated are times that God has used in my life to grow my trust in Him. There were times I thought that God was not responding appropriately to my cries and prayers to Him; but, looking back, I recognized God was at work in ways I never would have imagined. Upon reflection, I can see His handiwork in situations which seemed without God. He was there; yet I was not aware of it. He was at work when I could not feel Him. And, in the reflecting, I am in awe of a God who chooses to work even when I am too busy complaining to pay attention. I am in awe of a God whose plan is so much better than my own. I am in awe of a God who takes the pain of life and turns it into something beautiful to be used for His glory.

NC Baptist Retirement Homes Offering

Our Goal: \$2,000 Received to Date: \$645

North American Missions Offering Offering

Our Goal: \$5,000

Next book club meeting will be
March 31 @ 7 pm

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This month's book:

Moon Over Edisto by
Beth Webb Hart

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

9:00 Worship Nursery Workers

<u>March 2</u> - Carolyn Ely, Jan Doty, Janie Bass, Beth Nelson, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle

<u>March 9</u> - Carolyn Ely, Cathy Chinlund, Kathy McDaniel, Kim Jones, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Tammy Cashwell, Craig Cashwell

<u>March 16</u> - Carolyn Ely, Sue Buitendorp, Dana Norman, Josh Norman, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Bet Matthews, David Matthews

March 23 - Carolyn Ely, Sarah Talley, Melanie Alexander, Beth Hinesley, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Alice Wilson, Sarah Hauser

March 30 - Carolyn Ely, Nancy Hurst, Terri Goodman, Carolyn Matthews, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Jean Bumgardner, Sarah Hauser

11:00 Worship Nursery Workers

<u>March 2</u> - Rachel Eller, Stephanie Phillips, Jeanne Hobson, Karen Lefler, Saundra Smith, Leigh Ann Pernell, Whitney Pernell

March 9 - Wanda Foster, Nell Baker, Janice Jordan, Melissa May, Lori Cogdill, Sybil McBride, June Crabbe

<u>March 16</u> - Courtney Gruver, Michael Gruver, Bernice Hudspeth, Vicky Palmer, Ann Heller, Wanda Foster

March 23 - Melanie Alexander, Joseph Alexander, Linnea Cauble, Jeremy Cauble, Lora Clayton, Julie Barnes, Barney

<u>March 30</u> - Delane DeVine, Teresa Anthony, Kimi Taylor, Ashley Hohertz, Kelly McCrary, Jason McCrary, Charlie Jones, Anita Hatchett

Greeters

March 2 Dennis Palmer Wayne Lewis

March 16 Russell Talley March 9 Jim Pernell

March 23
Sarah Hauser
Tony Perkins

March 30 John Vogler

Properties Committee

March 2 Bill Page March 9 Terry Lefler

March 16
James Stoneman

March 23 Charlie Jones

March 30 Andrew Ausley

<u>Information Center for March</u>

Ken Warise

Sybil McBride

Deacon of the Week

March 2-8 Matt Hamby March 9-15 Wayne Lewis

March 16-22 Jay Edmonds March 23-29 N'Earl Godwin

March 30-April 5
Carolyn Matthews

CHRISTA'S

CORNER

Seniors on the Go! Several trips have been planned by the College Parker Trip Team, and are **open to all seniors.** Please sign up soon.

March 27: **Guilford Technical College Culinary School** - lunch (followed by table games at the church) - contact Alice Wilson.

April 10: **The Cove** in Black Mountain – Senior Salt Gathering - Music, Worship and Lunch Buffet - contact June Crabbe or Christa.

May 29: **The Billy Graham Library** in Charlotte - contact Anita Hatchett.

July 24: **Flatrock Playhouse,** "Miss Saigon" - contact Anita Hatchett. August 18-22: **Caswell -** contact June Crabbe.

September 8-10: **Sight and Sound Theater - "Moses"** and other events – Pennsylvania (waiting list available) - contact June Crabbe.

College Parkers welcome the Glory Street Quartet on Thursday, March 20, 11:30 a.m. Bring a dish, enjoy some home cooking and enjoy this inspiring group of singers.

Senior Adult Aerobics continue Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m. in the gym. Those participating are enjoying the fellowship as well as getting some good exercise together.

Prayer Time Together will meet April 3, 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room.

The Grief Support Group will meet April 6, 3:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Christa Warise

CPR Training Offered

CPR classes will be offered at College Park on Saturday, March 22, 10:00-12:00 noon. Delane DeVine, a certified instructor, will be leading our class. Please sign up by calling the church office or emailing Christa at christa@collegepark.ws.

CBFNC Assembly

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina meets for the annual meeting, March 28-29 in Greensboro. If interested in going together, please contact the church office.

Wednesday Night Suppers in March

March 5

Vegetable Beef Soup Toasted Cheese Sandwich Dessert

March 19

Hamburger Steak with Peppers and Onions Baked Potato Salad Cheesecake

March 12

Chicken and Dumplings Slaw Cornbread Ice Cream Pie

March 26

Sandwiches - Turkey, Ham Roast Beef Chips with Salsa and Cheese Dessert

CRISIS CON†ROL MINISTRY

Gift for March

Laundry Detergent and Dishwashing Liquid

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

IN THE 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 four weeks:

> Earl Blink Carolyn Matthews

Gracious notes of appreciation have been received and posted on the bulletin board from Craig and Tammy Cashwell, from Sam Parnell, and from Doris Morgan.

Welcome New Members

John, Pam and Erika Nicholson

821 Redwood Court Winston Salem, NC 27103 760-4345

Welcome to the College Park family!

Everyone is asked to refrain from posting materials to the walls with anything other than painter's tape or mounting putty. Thank you for being good stewards of our facilities.

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College Park Baptist Endowment Fund

Want to make a gift that lasts a lifetime? We are excited that College Park has established an Endowment Fund with the Winston-Salem Foundation. An endowment fund is a gift that extends into the future because the principal remains and the interest produces income for years to come.

Want to add this to your estate plan or establish a perpetual gift now? Contact Grace in the church office to get started. The Winston-Salem Foundation has people ready to assist you with the paperwork and are willing to meet with you to answer any questions. Plan to give your church a gift that will continue to give every year for many years to come.

"We give You thanks, our great and gracious God, for all the good things You have created. These innumerable blessings are daily showered upon us by Your good will, and You delight in sharing them with us."

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>2/2</u>	<u>2/9</u>	<u>2/16</u>	<u>2/23</u>
Re:Creation Worship	162	119	N/A	121
Sunday School	265	236	N/A	266
11:00 Worship	208	225	204	193
Brookridge	30	41	42	36

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Month of January 2014

\$8,686.22
51,505.39
62,813.08
\$(2,621.47)

Year to Date January 2014

Budget Beginning Balance	\$8,686.22
Budget Receipts	51,505.39
Budget Expenditures	62,813.08
Budget Ending Balance	\$(2,621.47)

Building Fund - Month of January 2014

\$261,720.13
7,776.00
12,661.11
5,722.57
251,112.45
\$1,598,631.99