HIGHLIGHTS



From Your Pastorna

You are a wonderfully patient congregation! We have been engaged in a stewardship series for the last couple of weeks, and still have a week to go as I write this column.

To be good stewards of all that God has given us, we have been looking at four tests that we need to apply to the distribution of our time, talents, and treasure (money). The first test we talked about was the **Durability Test**, and we discussed whether our investments would stand up to the test of time...i.e., "Will they last forever?" Investing in eternity prevents the destruction by moths and rust, and keeps thieves from stealing these investments.

The second Sunday we explored the **Heart Test** and the **Mind Test**. In the **Heart Test** we wrestled with Jesus' teaching that "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be

also," and the implications for how we invest (particularly our money). We traced the concept of *Firstfruits* through Scripture, and talked about the role of *Grace* in all of this. The **Mind Test** examined where our focus is related to our stewardship, recognizing that the natural eye focuses on just our physical existence, but the spiritual eye looks into what really matters.

This Sunday, February 28, we will finish the series by looking at the fourth test, **The Master Test**. This is where it gets really personal because Jesus declared we cannot serve two masters. It's a tough test, but we will talk about it together and move forward in ministry as College Park always has! See you Sunday!

Blessings and Peace! *Ramon*

Our Mission...

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

THE WORSHIP OF GOD



March 6, 2016 11:00 a.m.

Blessed Redeemer Sanctuary Choir

"It Happens..."
Luke 13:1-9
Ramon Smith

March 20, 2016 11:00 a.m. Palm Sunday

Hosanna In Excelsis Deo! Sanctuary Choir

The Story in Four Acts
Ramon Smith

March 13, 2016 11:00 a.m.

Forgiven
Sanctuary Choir

The Right Thing
John 12:1-8
Ramon Smith

March 27, 2016 11:00 a.m. Resurrection Sunday

> Easter Song Sanctuary Choir

Ready for Easter
Ramon Smith

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A NOTE FROM MARY



Violent Grace

A mural of memories moves by in a blur His prayers all seem unanswered and unheard His pleading petitions, his loud cries and tears A last reprieve will simply not appear

Most willing of victims, And with His final breath Destroyed the one who holds the power of death The hate heaped upon Him, scorning all the shame But all for love He died and overcame

In all of time no one had ever heard And to the world the thought seemed so absurd Beyond their wildest dreams no one could ever tell Of a high priest who would sacrifice Himself

So ruthless He loves us, So reckless His embrace
To show relentless kindness to a hardened human race
The joy that was before Him
On the Man of Sorrow's face
And by His blood He bought a violent grace
Michael Card

Next book club meeting:

Monday, March 28 at 7:00 pm

We will be discussing:

Still Alice By Lisa Genova

> Heck Jones Offering

Our Goal: \$1,000

North American Missions Offering

Our Goal: \$5,000

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

9:00 Worship Nursery Workers

<u>March 6</u> - Carolyn Ely, Jan Doty, Janie Bass, Beth Nelson, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Julie Blink, Earl Blink <u>March 13</u> - Carolyn Ely, Cathy Chinlund, Dana Norman,

Josh Norman, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Tammy Cashwell, Craig Cashwell

<u>March 20</u> - Carolyn Ely, Pam Nicholson, Melanie Alexander, Joseph Alexander, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Bet Matthews, David Matthews

March 27 - Carolyn Ely, Sarah Talley, Kathy McDaniel, Beth Hinesley, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Terry Lefler, Sarah Hauser

11:00 Worship Nursery Workers

<u>March 6</u> - Rachel Eller, Selma Ray, Carolyn Matthews, Clara Edmonds, Karen Lefler, Lora Clayton, Leigh Ann Pernell, Whitney Pernell

<u>March 13</u> - Janice Jordan, Nell Baker, Jennifer Allen, Melissa May, Lori Cogdill, Sybil McBride, June Crabbe

<u>March 20</u> - Courtney Gruver, Michael Gruver, Jeanne Hobson, Donna Bates, Bernice Hudspeth, Carolyn Britt, Ann Heller, Wanda Foster

<u>March 27</u> - Friends & Partners SS Class, Linnea Cauble, Jeremy Cauble, Marla Andrews, Julie Barnes, Barney Barnes <u>Greeters</u>

March 6
Jim Pernell

March 13
Russell Talley

March 20March 27Sarah HauserKen HatchettTony Perkins

Properties Committee

March 6March 13Michael GruverDoug Somers

March 20March 27David MatthewsDavid Bass

Information Center for March

Ken Warise Sybil McBride

Deacon of the Week

March 6-12
Jeremy Cauble

March 13-19
Michael Gruver

March 20-26
Julie Blink
Skip Chinlund

CHRISTA'S

CORNER

The Glory Street Quartet will bring to the College Parkers inspiring Gospel music on March 17. We begin with a covered dish lunch at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome! If you have never attended, now's a good time.

The College Parker's Trip Committee has been busy! On March 18th, a trip is planned to visit the NC Field of Honor in Kernersville. Lunch together is included; leaving time is 10:45 a.m.

Sign-up sheets and information about the trips will be available in the fover on Wednesday nights. If you need to contact Ken Hatchett, you may do so. All are welcome on these trips, sponsored by the College Parkers.

On April 8th, our group will go to the Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theater to see the matinee of "Peace in the Valley," featuring songs of faith through past years until

Friday, May 6th, will be an evening trip to the Willingham Theatre in Yadkinville, where "The Buddy Holly Story" will be presented, following dinner together.

When considering the overnight trips, please sign up soon so that reservations may be made. These include the Flat Rock Playhouse, July 28-29; a special week at Fort Caswell, August 15-19; NC Lighthouse Tour, Sept. 7-10; and the Myrtle Beach "Christmas Show Trip" in November, dates to be determined.

Blessings,

Christa Warise

CRISIS CON†ROL **MINISTRY**

Gift for March

Boxed Instant Potatoes

"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 month:

Buddy Priest

In Loving Memory

Annie B. Cook

June 22, 1923

February 13, 2016

Wednesday Night Suppers

March 2

Deluxe Salad & Baked Potato Bar Crackers Dessert

March 9

Ham Pineapple Casserole Green Beans Rolls Celebration Cake

March 16

Baked Spaghetti Salad Rolls Dessert

March 23

Fried Chicken Baked Beans Slaw Potato Wedges Dessert

No Family Night

Member of College Park since

October 1987



Maundy Thursday Service March 24, 7:00 p.m.

Tenebrae Service March 25, 7:00 p.m.

March 30



Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 13 Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour!

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Welcome New Members

Barbie Kale

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Welcome to the College Park family!

Thank you to all the ladies and girls that have been working hard on our hats and scarves for the Bus Station ministry through our "Knit to Gather" group. We have been so blessed with the participation and have had many donations of finished items. The response from the first bus station visit was terrific. The people at the bus station that received the hats and scarves were very thankful and appreciative of the warmth provided! Thanks for your good work!

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>2/7</u>	2/14	2/21
Re:Creation Worship	120	$\overline{N/A}$	127
Sunday School	221	217	237
11:00 Worship	189	273	178
Brookridge	38	36	45

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Month of January 2016

Budget Beginning Balance	\$-7,711.56
Budget Receipts	51,911.06
Budget Expenditures	63,789.25
Budget Ending Balance	\$-19,589.75

Year to Date January 2016

Budget Beginning Balance	\$-7,711.56
Budget Receipts	51,911.06
Budget Expenditures	63,789.25
Budget Ending Balance	\$-19,589.75

Building Fund - Month of January 2016

Building Fund Beginning Balance	\$81,883.55
Building Fund Receipts	6,531.00
Building Fund Expenditures	5,180.76
Building Fund Interest	4,828.65
Building Fund Balance	78,405.14
Loan Balance	\$1,349,728.45