HIGHLIGHTS



From Your Pastorna

We begin our journey to the cross as the Lenten season begins this month with Ash Wednesday on March 1. For us, on this side of the cross, repentance should be easier than those who preceded the death and resurrection of Jesus. You may ask "Why is that?" I believe repentance should be easier for us because we have the benefit of hindsight. We know the power of God's love as demonstrated by His Son, Jesus! We don't have to wonder if God really hears our prayers, or if He will forgive our transgressions against Him. We know because we have experienced all of these things in our lives already. So why then do we still resist submitting ourselves completely to Him? Why do we fail to humble ourselves, and instead stand with proud and arrogant hearts? We may want to blame it on the huge number of distractions we have now

versus "back then." We may want to claim that faith has become so much more complicated now with "all we know." I wonder how all of these excuses play out with our God who proclaimed:

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." Isaiah 55:8-9

To help put these verses and my thoughts in context, I challenge you to go back and read the verses preceding the two above. You know, as I think about it, reading Isaiah 55 each day of Lent may be a great way to align our hearts and wills with God's...

Blessings and Peace!

Our Mission...

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

THE WORSHIP OF GOD



March 5, 2017 11:00 a.m.

I Was a Wayward Child Sanctuary Choir

Into the Wilderness

Matthew 4:1-11 Steve Loftis

March 12, 2017 11:00 a.m.

Celebration through Baptism & Communion

I Worship You, Lord Sanctuary Choir

March19, 2017 11:00 a.m.

Worship through music presented by Chi Rho

Seriously!! No Water!!

Exodus 17:1-7 Ramon Smith March 26, 2017

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed Sanctuary Choir

Wake Up!!

Ephesians 5:8-14 Ramon Smith

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A NOTE FROM MARY



Here Is Love, Vast As the Ocean

Here is love, vast as the ocean, loving kindness as the flood When the Prince of Life, our Ransom, shed for us His precious blood! Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten throughout heav'ns eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion, fountains opened deep and wide; Through the floodgates of God's mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide. Grace and love, like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above, And Heav'n's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.

Let me all Thy love accepting, love Thee ever all my days; Let me seek Thy kingdom only and my life be to Thy praise; Thou alone shalt be my glory, nothing in the world I see. Thou hast cleansed and sanctified me, Thou Thyself hast set me free.

In Thy truth Thou dost direct me by Thy Spirit through Thy Word; And Thy grace my need is meeting, as I trust in Thee, my Lord. Of Thy fullness Thou art pouring Thy great love and power on me, Without measure, full and boundless, drawing out my heart to Thee.

-William Rees & William Williams

Jesus, You show us that God is more than compassionate toward us...You show us He refuses to rest until all things are made new. We watch in horror as You demonstrate that nothing on earth can separate us from His love: not betrayal, denials, mocking, and hateful scourging, not dishonor, not even torturous murder. We delivered up our worst. You show us God, responding with Your best. We are at once joyously amazed and embarrassed. This changes everything. We can't deceive ourselves any longer with a religion of words, compulsion, ceremony, or acts of piety. We are drawn to worship in genuine adoration and love... Only a Person who loves us with an outrageous passion can be the object of worship.

-John Randall Dennis

Next book club meeting:

Monday, March 27 at 7:00 pm

Book of the month:

The Things We Knew By Catherine West

Heck Jones Missions Offering

Our Goal: \$1,500

Received to Date: \$2,231

North American Missions Offering

Our Goal: \$5,500

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

9:00 Worship Nursery Workers

<u>March 5</u> - Carolyn Ely, Jan Doty, Janie Bass, Beth Nelson, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle

<u>March 12</u> - Carolyn Ely, Cathy Chinlund, Dana Norman, Josh Norman, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle

March 19 - Carolyn Ely, Pam Nicholson, Melanie Alexander, Joseph Alexander, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Bet Matthews, David Matthews

March 26 - Carolyn Ely, Sarah Talley, Kathy McDaniel, Beth Hinesley, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Terry Lefler, Sarah Hauser

11:00 Worship Nursery Workers

<u>March 5</u> - Rachel Eller, Selma Ray, Carolyn Matthews, Clara Edmonds, Karen Lefler, Lora Clayton, Leigh Ann Pernell, Whitney Pernell

<u>March 12</u> - Janice Jordan, Nell Baker, Jennifer Allen, Melissa May, Lori Cogdill

<u>March 19</u> - Courtney Gruver, Michael Gruver, Donna Bates, Bernice Hudspeth, Carolyn Britt, Ann Heller, Anita Hatchett

<u>March 26</u> - Friends & Partners SS Class, Linnea Cauble, Jeremy Cauble, Marla Andrews, Scott Andrews, Julie Barnes, Barney Barnes

GREETERS

March 5March 12Sarah HauserKen HatchettTony Perkins

March 19March 26Dennis PalmerJim Pernell

INFORMATION CENTER

Scott Andrews Sybil McBride

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

March 5March 12Michael GruverDoug Somers

March 19March 26David HodgeTerry Lefler

DEACON OF THE WEEK

March 5 - 11
Jeremy Cauble

March 12 - 18
Michael Gruver

March 19 - 25
Barry Nelson

Mar. 26 - Apr 1
Skip Chinlund

Senior Adults & Family Recreation

Senior Adults

What an honor and a blessing it is to serve with you at College Park. Over the last two months my family has felt more at home than anywhere else, and I thank each of you for helping them transition into the College Park church family. As we have learned lots of new names and faces, I have also learned that many of you don't know each other either. I challenge you to join me in meeting someone new at College Park and growing in Christ with them over this next month as we begin to celebrate Lent.

Our first College Parkers trip for 2017 is coming up very quickly. We leave Thursday, March 2nd at 4:30pm for a leisurely ride to Dobson NC for a wonderful dinner together at Cody Creek. Also, coming up on Friday, March 24th, we will drive to the Willingham Theater to see the show "Steel Magnolias." If you plan on going, your payment of \$41.25 is due on March 2nd.

Vogler and Sons Funeral Home will sponsor a pre-needs funeral luncheon on April 27th at 11:30am in Smith Hall. Space is limited, so sign up ASAP. Lunch will be provided and anyone is welcome to come and learn more from the professionals about taking care of things before it's too late. Please contact the church office or Matt Wilson if you plan on attending.

Recreation

Anyone interested in playing softball for CPBC this spring needs to sign up ASAP. We are in need of several ladies for our Adult Co-ed team, as well as men to play on one of our men's teams or on the Co-ed team as well. *No skill is needed.* A wise man once said your best ability is dependability. Sign up, show up, and have a great time fellowshipping together. See David Hodge or Matt Wilson to learn more!

Blessings, Matt

Familly Night Supper

March 1

Baked Potato Bar Salad Bar Dessert

March 15

Baked Spaghetti Salad Rolls Dessert

March 8

Hot Dogs Tator Tots Baked Beans Dessert

March 22

Mountain Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Dessert

March 29

Chicken Filet Sandwiches Veggies and Dip Chips Dessert

CRISIS CON†ROL MINISTRY

Gift for March

Instant Potatoes

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:

> Kate Anthony Peggy Copley John Crabbe Josh Hewitt Donna Hinson A.C. Larrimore James Stoneman

Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Bet Matthews in the death of her brother and to Ashley Hohertz in the death of her grandfather.

In Loving Memory of

Mrs. Wynona Butner

January 19, 1924 to February 23, 2017

Member of College Park since January 1960

In Loving Memory of

Robert A. Doty

February 6, 1927 to February 24, 2017

Member of College Park since April 1971

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Jeff Allen, Assoc. Pastor/ Students
& Families

Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education
Matt Wilson, Minister/Senior Adults &
Family Recreation
Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus

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Baby Shower

The Careers Sunday School class is hosting a floating baby shower for Jeremy & Linnea Cauble on Sunday, March 5th, 2-4 p.m., in Smith Hall. Linnea is currently registered at Target, Babies R' Us and Amazon.

Please see Grace Hodge if you need any information about the shower.

College Park magnets (suitable for cars and trucks) are available for purchase in the church office for \$2 each. What a great way to advertise our church as you travel about the community!



Welcome New Member

Colin Loftis

264 Heatherton Way Winston Salem, NC 27104 336-448-5224

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

| | <u>2/5</u> | <u>2/12</u> | <u>2/19</u> | <u>2/26</u> |
|---------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Re:Creation Worship | 118 | 130 | 117 | 111 |
| Sunday School | 192 | 205 | 195 | 205 |
| 11:00 Worship | 166 | 171 | 165 | 156 |
| Brookridge | 51 | 42 | 32 | 44 |
| 11:00 Worship | 166 | 171 | 165 | 150 |

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Month of January 2017

| Budget Needs | \$72,254.14 |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Budget Receipts | \$53,668.11 |
| Budget Expenditures | \$68,903.67 |

Building Fund - Month of January 2017

| Building Fund Receipts | \$7,915.00 |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| Building Fund Expenditures | \$10,024.41 |
| Loan Balance | \$1,290,689.77 |



You may have noticed that we have a new bus. The church was gifted with the funds to purchase a new bus in 2016. We are thankful for this gift! It is now fully operational for trips. We sold our old bus for \$12,500 and a trailer for \$3,000. Be sure to thank a member of the Transportation Committee and Ken

Hatchett for their hard work on the multiple details that were completed to make this happen.