

HIGHLIGHTS

College Park Baptist Church
1701 Polo Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27106



From Your Pastor...

Springtime is always exciting around College Park! We have so much to be thankful for and to celebrate! Obviously we, as believers, look forward to the celebration of Easter Sunday, but for many people in our community Easter is nothing more than another Sunday supercharged with candy and egg hunts. Sadly, many have no idea, nor care to know, that Easter is really all about a relationship with the Creator of the universe! As I've said many times before, Easter is one of those times when secular and sacred calendars agree that there is something special going on...it's just a matter of "meaning." What does Easter *mean* to you? Are you willing to take advantage of opportunities to share how Christ has changed your life, and invite others into a relationship with Jesus? Like Advent/Christmas, we also have an "open door," in a sense, to invite people to

church who normally may not consider coming. Take advantage of the next several weeks...look for every opportunity to share Christ, and invite people into the warm fellowship of believers we call College Park.

The Sunday after Easter we will focus on spiritual gifts and how these gifts are useful, not only in our personal lives, but also for the long term growth and ministry of the church. The week before Holy Week we will mail out a letter and survey form that you can complete as part of this study. There will also be an online option. More instructions will be included with the letter. I am excited about this study and hope you will participate!

Blessings and Peace!
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



April 2, 2017
11:00 a.m.

Channels

Dem Bones, Dem Bones
Ezekiel 37:1-14
Ramon Smith

April 9, 2017
11:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday

Hosanna In the Streets
Sanctuary Choir

The Costly Ride
Ramon Smith

April 16, 2017
11:00 a.m.

Resurrection Sunday

On the Third Day
O Praise the Name (Anastasis)
Sanctuary Choir

A Telling Tomb
Ramon Smith

April 23, 2017
11:00 a.m.

Speak and We Will Hear
Sanctuary Choir

Spiritual Gifts Revisited
Ramon Smith

A NOTE FROM MARY



O Lord, the house of my soul is narrow; enlarge it that You may enter in. It is ruinous, O repair it! It displeases Your sight. I confess it, I know. But who shall cleanse it, to whom shall I cry but to You? Cleanse me from my secret faults, O Lord, and spare Your servant from strange sins. -St Augustine of Hippo

In our Monday morning Bible study this week, we discussed why it is so much easier to proclaim to others the love of God than to discuss our sinfulness and need of Him. We like to use words like love, mercy, and grace but don't like to talk about why there is a need for mercy and grace. Perhaps we don't want to seem hypocritical or come off as judgmental. Maybe we think that the mention of sin will keep others from hearing us at all; however, I daresay that most people will admit to times in their life when they have not done what they should or have done what they shouldn't. Even if they don't use the word "sin" most will admit mistakes, poor judgment, or words they wish they could get back. They might even allude to other sin issues. Ultimately, we don't have to know what sins others carry, but we do have to let others know there is One who knows it and loves them already. We have to let others know that God loves them in spite of their sinfulness. Which shows the greater love: a Father who feels no need for our holiness and just blindly loves, or a God who knows the deepest part of ourselves which we would keep secret and who loves us enough to pay the price for those things so we can be in relationship with Him? We do our God an injustice when we don't talk about sin because others cannot know the full depth of His love until they understand how great His mercy truly is.

Next book club meeting:

**Monday, April 24
at 7:00 pm**

Book of the month:

**A Life Intercepted
By Charles Martin**

**North American
Missions Offering**

**Our Goal:
\$5,500**

**Received to Date:
Global Missions
\$270
Annie Armstrong
\$850**

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

9:00 Worship Nursery Workers

April 2 - Carolyn Ely, Jan Doty, Rachel Eller, Beth Nelson, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle

April 9 - Carolyn Ely, Jordan Gaskins, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle

April 16 - Carolyn Ely, Pam Nicholson, Melanie Alexander, Joseph Alexander, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle

April 23 - Carolyn Ely, Sarah Talley, Kathy McDaniel, Beth Hinesley, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Anna Sheek, Sarah Hauser

April 30 - Carolyn Ely, Nancy Hurst, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Jean Bumgardner, Sarah Hauser

11:00 Worship Nursery Workers

April 2 - Beth Huff, Stephanie Phillips, Leigh Ann Pernell, Whitney Pernell

April 9 - Janice Jordan, Nell Baker, Beth SabbaghRabaiotti, Stephanie Cayton, Ann Heller

April 16 - Courtney Gruver, Michael Gruver, Donna Bates, Bernice Hudspeth, Carolyn Britt, Becky Haney, Pat Blackwell

April 23 - Friends & Partners SS Class, Trudy Elkins, Lara Pinnix, Chris Pinnix, Kelly McCrary, Jason McCrary

April 30 - Clara Edmonds, Bernice Hudspeth

April 2

Russell Talley

April 16

Ken Hatchett

GREETERS

April 9

Sarah Hauser
Tony Perkins

April 23

Dennis Palmer

April 30

Jim Pernell

INFORMATION CENTER

Chris Pinnix

Becky Haney

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

April 2

Charlie Jones

April 9

Mike Royal

April 16

John Nicholson

April 23

Ron Cauble

April 30

Dennis Palmer

DEACON OF THE WEEK

April 2 - 8

Julie Blink

April 9 - 15

Nancy Hurst

April 16 - 22

Tony Perkins

April 23 - 29

Becky Haney

April 30 - May 6

Gary Elkins

Senior Adults & Family Recreation

Senior Adults

April 18th we will travel to the Barn and Dinner Theater to see "Making God Laugh." The bus will depart at 12:15pm. If you haven't signed up but would like to go, please see Ken Hatchet or myself ASAP. *Save the date for May 19th Wohlfahrt Haus - "Then Sings my Soul."*

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

It's church softball time! If you don't have anything to do on Monday evenings, we would love to have you come out and support our teams. A full schedule is listed below.

(W = Washington Park, HH = Hanes Hosiery)

April 3		
7:30	Gold	W2
8:30	Black	W2

April 10		
6:30	Gold	W3
7:30	Black	W4

April 24		
6:30	Gold	W4
7:30	Black	W4

May 1		
6:30	Gold	HH
8:30	Black	HH

May 8		
6:30	Gold vs Black	W2

May 15		
6:30	Black	W3
8:30	Gold	W2

May 22		
6:30	Gold	W3
7:30	Black	W3

June 5		
7:30	Gold	HH
8:30	Black	W4

June 12		
6:30	Black	HH
8:30	Gold	HH

In Christ,
Matt

Wednesday Night Suppers

April 5
Baked Potato Bar
Salad Bar
Dessert

April 19
Hot Dogs
Tator Tots
Baked Beans
Dessert

April 12
No Family Night

April 26
Baked Spaghetti
Salad
Roll
Dessert

College Parkers will meet Thursday, April 20, 11:30 for a covered-dish lunch, followed by guest speaker, Barron Church, a beekeeper.

**CRISIS CONTROL
MINISTRY**
Gift for April
Canned Fruit

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:

Pete Bodenheimer
Ed Lane
Kathy Smith
James Stoneman

Thank-you notes have been received and posted on the bulletin board from Jan Doty, from the family of Wynona Butner, from A.C. Larrimore, and from Bet Matthews.

Welcome New Members

Lisa Ison
1515 Woods Rd., Apt. 208
Winston Salem, NC 27106
336-314-7384

Sarah Hauser
Ashley Hauser
430 Ashbry Run
Winston Salem, NC 27106
336-699-2226

Dennis & Barbara Benfer
900 Riverbend Drive
Bermuda Run, NC 27006
336-941-3864

WMU Salad Supper

Tuesday, April 18
6:30 p.m.

David & Cathy Parsons from the North American Missions Board will be our guest speakers.
All women are invited!!

**COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST
CHURCH**

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www.ReCreation.ws

Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor
Jeff Allen, Assoc. Pastor/ Students
& Families
Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education
Matt Wilson, Minister/Senior Adults &
Family Recreation
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Pledge Cards

We want to thank everyone who has completed a pledge card for your planned contributions to the College Park Ministry Plan in 2017. The results are extremely encouraging. As of March 21, 107 pledge cards have been received representing commitments to contribute \$653,778.64 toward our general budget. That is 75.4% of our annual budget. We realize not everyone is comfortable completing a pledge card, but will be contributing to the Ministry Plan during the year. This provides confidence that God's work through our church's Ministry Plan will be achieved and lives will be positively changed through these ministries. Thank you for your stewardship and faithfulness.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to place a lily in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday, April 16, please use the order form below and return it to the church office **no later than Sunday, April 2.** The cost will be \$11.50/per plant and **this should be paid at the time you order.** You may take your lily home with you after the morning worship service on Easter Sunday.

Placed by: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>3/5</u>	<u>3/12</u>	<u>3/19</u>	<u>3/26</u>
Re:Creation Worship	101	73	121	107
Sunday School	181	183	201	177
11:00 Worship	157	210	194	195
Brookridge	35	40	45	38

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

<u>Budget - February 2017</u>	<u>MTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Budget	\$72,254.14	\$144,508.28
Receipts	63,677.17	117,345.28
Expenditures	71,118.92	140,022.59

Building Fund - February 2017

Beginning Balance	\$61,162.58	\$63,271.99
Receipts	7,060.00	14,975.00
Expenditures	11,137.12	21,161.53
Ending Balance	57,085.46	57,085.46

Loan Balance \$1,285,731.67