# HIGHLIGHTS

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



*"The Always God"...* Does God really speak today, and how does He do it? These are some of the questions we have been looking at during this study in worship. We will continue talking about *The Always God* during November. This month, leading up to Thanksgiving and Advent (yeah, it's almost here!) we will be discussing:

- 1) To have a God who sees, means we have a God who cares.
- 2) God is still pursuing those who are lost.

Within this study we will also have a couple of really special days, as we once again have a service of celebration with Baptism and Communion, as well as our Thanksgiving Eve service on November 24th. And, if you think about it, what better way to begin Advent than to remind ourselves that God is still pursuing the lost. Just as He sent His Son over two thousand years ago to redeem us, He is still in the business of seeking and saving those who are yet to discover that it is only a relationship with our Creator that gives life meaning! I hope you will continue to pray about how God would use you to speak the words of life to others this season of Thanksgiving and Advent!

As we wrap up our Wednesday nights *Living Sign* Services on the front lawn for this year, I need to pause and say a huge word of "Thank You" to all the cooks, the cook helpers, the band, the volunteers who managed the inflatable slide, and YOU, for coming each week and making this year one of the most memorable mission-focused years I can ever remember! The seeds we have sown WILL bear fruit...that part is God's work. Thank you for your faithfulness!!

"Love God and Love People!"

Blessings & Peace, Ramon



	Our Mission	
November 7, 2021 11:00 a.m. I Need Thee Every Hour Sanctuary Choir	November 14, 2021 11:00 a.m. Shout Glory, Hallelujah Sanctuary Choir	"A people gathered in Christ; nurtured in His Spirit; and sent in His name."
Celebration of Baptism & Communion	<b>The Always God #3: Seeing</b> I Peter 5:6-11 Ramon Smith	Called Church Conference:
November 21, 2021 11:00 a.m.	November 28, 2021 11:00 a.m.	Wed., November 3rd <i>7</i> :00 pm
Now Thank We All Our God	1st Sunday of Advent: HOPE	Vote on Budget:
Sanctuary Choir	Music presented by the Sanctuary Choir	Sun., November 7th
<b>The Always God #4: Pursuing</b> <i>Luke 15</i> Ramon Smith	<b>God Is Still Restoring</b> Ramon Smith	9:00 and 11:00 am

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# A NOTE FROM MARY



George Neumark

Is God all-wise? Then the darkest providences have meaning.

We will set ourselves as God's interpreters, and because we cannot make straight lines out of our crooked lot, we think that God has turned our life into inextricable confusion. The darkest hours in our life have some intent, and it is really not needful that we should know all at once what that intent is. Let us keep within our own little sphere, and live a day at a time, and breathe a breath at a time, and be content with one pulsation at a time, and interpretation will come when God pleases, as he pleases. -Joseph Parker

#### If You Will Only Let God Guide You

If you will only let God guide you, and hope in Him through all your ways Whatever comes, He'll stand beside you, to bear you through the evil days; Who trust in God's unchanging love builds on the Rock that cannot move.

Only be still, and wait His leisure in cheerful hope, with heart content To take whate'er the Father's pleasure and all discerning love have sent; Nor doubt our inmost wants are known to Him who chose us for His own.

Sing, pray, and swerve not from His ways, but do your part in conscience true; Trust His rich promises of grace, so shall they be fulfilled in you; God hears the call of those in need, the souls that trust in Him indeed.



will meet in-person on Monday, November 29th at 7 pm

This month's book is: *The Moonlight School* by Suzanne Woods Fisher



# (preschool through 6th grade)

#### Music Workshop for all Children

The Music Workshop for children has had a wonderful beginning. It's not too late to participate! If your child is interested in learning more about music, and even learning how to play keyboard, drums, guitar or bass guitar, then this is a great opportunity! On Sunday evenings at 5:00 pm, we meet with children grades 1-6 in Smith Hall. They are learning music theory and instrument application in a group setting. Preschoolers have a similar focus workshop at the same time, and are graded for their developmental level. Parents are invited to observe/help! If possible, please let Ramon or Mary know if your child(ren) would like to start participating in this amazing opportunity.



#### Poinsettias

We will once again decorate the Sanctuary with red poinsettias for Christmas. If you would like to give a plant in honor...or in memory...of someone, please complete an order form which is available at the church and return it to the church office **along with your payment\*, no later than Sunday, November 21st.** (Please do not place your order in the offering plate.) Or you may email the dedication information to Teresa at teresa@collegepark.ws. **The price is \$10.25 per plant.** 

\* You may pay via cash, check, or on-line.

#### CRISIS CON†ROL MINISTRY

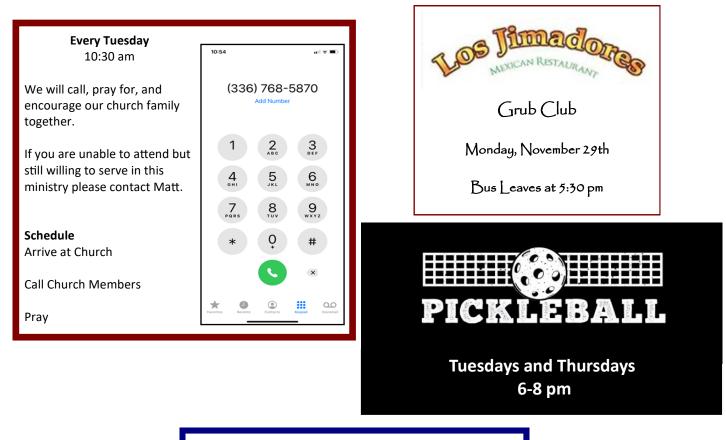
Gift for November

~ sugar, flour, baking items ~

Items collected in October: 27 jars of applesauce 2 boxes of noodles

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

# Senior Adults & Family Recreation



#### **COLLEGE PARK 2021 TRAVEL PLANS**

\* Dec. 10 (Fri.): Willingham Theatre — "Beautiful Star ~ An Appalachian Nativity" Cost—\$27.00

#### DEACON ELECTION

#### **Deacon Election Announcement**

The Deacon election process will occur between November 1, 2021 and November 14, 2021. Due to the current coronavirus situation, we are giving church members three options to cast your vote for the nominees. You may submit a maximum of six names and may choose one of the following:

Electronic voting begins Monday, November 1st and closes at noon Friday, November 12th. Members who have email can obtain a Google Deacon Election Ballot for electronic submission by clicking on <a href="https://forms.gle/1Y8Nq7mdw4EGZAv48">https://forms.gle/1Y8Nq7mdw4EGZAv48</a>

Call-in to the church office begins Monday, November 1st and closes at noon Friday, November 12th. Please call 336-768-5870 x1010. In the event you reach a voice mailbox, please leave your first and last name along with the names of the candidates you are voting for in order that the Election Committee may verify church membership. In-person voting will occur on November 14th by submitting a paper ballot during one of the morning services. Members can only vote once using one of the methods listed above.

The following candidates have been nominated for the office of Deacon:

Julie Blink Skip Chinlund Garry Crist Becky Haney Coleman Hastings Beth Hinesley Jason McCrary Sonny Patterson Chris Phillips

Stephanie Phillips Beth Sabbagh

# FAMILY WINISTRY

Here is what is happening this Fall at the Park!

# **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD IS HERE** *Items will be collected through November 3*

Our church is working together on this year's Operation Christmas Child, a ministry effort to share the joy of Christmas with children around the world. The entire church will be making gift boxes on Wednesday, November 3.

We need donated items to go in the shoeboxes. These items are being collected in the donation boxes outside Smith Hall. Here is a suggested list of items to be collected.



# CHURCH-WIDE OCC BOXING PARTY

## November 3, 7:00-7:30 PM

Everyone is invited to help build shoeboxes!

# Children's Sunday at Advent

December 12, during 11 AM service

Our children lead us in worship during Advent!

# OUR WEEKLY SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN

#### <u>Sunday</u>

9:00 am	Nursery (infant thru K)	
9:45	Kids Sunday School	
	Preschool Sunday School	
11:00	Nursery (infant thru K)	
5:00 pm	Music Workshop	

#### **Wednesday**

6:45 pm Nursery (infant thru K) 7:00 pm Children's Bible Study

# College Exam Pack Help Needed



It is time for this semester's college exam pack run. We take gift bags of snacks and food to our students across the state. We need your help to make 40 exam packs! **Please bring individually wrapped snacks, homemade or store-bought, to the Smith Hall Kitchen by Sunday, November 28.** Thanks for your help with this important ministry to our college students.

# YOUTH MINISTRY

# SUNDAY MORNINGS, 9:45 AM

Scripture calls us to live in community with each other. It's necessary for our spiritual health! In this month's Thanksgiving series, we're going to look at the importance of our spiritual community as we are centered around Jesus.



# THE FALL RETREAT IS COMING November 19-21 @ Ridgecrest

Every fall our youth travel to Ridgecrest with other churches from the Winston-Salem area for a weekend event. This year's retreat theme will be "In Control" as we look at the life of Joseph.

We only have a few days left to sign up. This cost is \$150 per person. All forms and final payment are now due. Pay your money by check (made out to the church) or by credit card through Realm! Here is the link - <u>https://go.atthepark.ws/</u> <u>fallretreat</u>.



Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness. James 3:18

# BUS STATION MINISTRY November 10, 6:00-7:30 PM

We are excited to announce that we are starting back up our Bus Station ministry. All youth are invited to join us as we help our neighbors and share the love of Christ



# OUR WEEKLY SCHEDULE FOR YOUTH

#### <u>Sunday</u>

9:45 am Youth Sunday School 6:00 - YouthAtThePark 7:30 pm

### <u>Wednesday</u>

6:15 pm Supper (Smith Hall) 7:00 pm Youth Missions/Bible Study

## So sign up today!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER	NOVEMBER 19-21	NOVEMBER 24	JANUARY 15-17	JULY 11-15
UNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THIMESON THE	Fall Youth Retreat	Operation Christmas Child Warehouse Project	Junior/ Senior Leadership Retreat	Youth Camp
A .7 13 21	Ridgecrest	Charlotte	Gatlinburg	Garden City Chapel

**COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH** Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor 1701 Polo Road Jeff Allen, Assoc, Pastor/Students & Families Winston-Salem, NC 27106 Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education Phone 336-768-5870 Matt Wilson, Minister/Senior Adults & Family Recreation Web Site: www.collegepark.ws Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus **IN THE HOSPITAL** Our prayers and support are offered to the In Loving Memory following members of our church family who of are, or have been in the hospital during the last Ann Baker month: **Janice Farmer Glen Arvey** January 31, 1934 JoAnne Barto Virgil Jessup to Jean Bumgardner October 24, 2021 Member of College Park since A note of appreciation has been received from: March 2003 Durine Garris, Baptist Hospital employee STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE NC Missions **Baptist Children's** Offering: **Homes of NC** DEACON OF THE WEEK Offering: Our Goal: November 7 November 14 \$3,000 Doug Somers Josh Hauser Our Goal: \$3,000 Received to date: November 21 November 28 \$1,930.00 Frank Martinez Nancy Hurst GREETERS ATTENDANCE STATISTICS November 7 November 14 Dennis Palmer Josh Hauser 10/3 10/10 10/17 10/24 Jim Pernell **Re:Creation Worship** 63 87 86 53 11:00 Worship 129 110 110 95 November 28 November 21 Russell Talley Sarah Hauser **Tony Perkins STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES** Budget ~ September 2021 MTD YTD **PROPERTIES COMMITTEE** Budget \$75,784.30 \$682,058.68 November 7 November 14 Receipts \$76,501.35 \$670,221.62 Noah Goodman Hutch Hutchison

Expenditures

Receipts

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Loan Balance

**Ending Balance** 

Beginning Balance

Building Fund ~ September 2021

\$77,194.35

\$68,155.14

\$12,818.00

\$70,781.29

\$996.967.79

\$9,609.98

\$674,075.03

\$63,474.46

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November 21 Charlie Jones November 28 Ishmael Stowe

#### **INFORMATION CENTER**

Tom Hurst Karen Lefler