

# HIGHLIGHTS

## College Park Baptist Church

1701 Polo Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27106



With summer comes increased activity in some parts of church life, but decreased activity in others. For example, as I write this, the final preparations are being made for the youth and chaperones to go to Summer Youth Camp at Garden City, SC. I know from personal experience what a labor intensive endeavor a camp of this format requires. Our youth will be sharing in worship, Bible study, recreation, and fellowship based on the theme of Running Home. Yes, they will have a great time and likely will get much less sleep than if they were at home! Matt and adults are not excluded from this phenomenon!

We also just finished Vacation Bible School, which required months of planning and work by Leigh Ann (and many others) in preparation for the three-night event that left one little girl crying on Wednesday night because she DID NOT want to go home! True! I had to chuckle, because

as sweet as that was, I was equally convinced those adults and teens who had worked so hard at VBS were absolutely ready to go home!

There are other events that we do in ministry year round that require much time and preparation, but since my focus was on Summer, I chose to highlight these two. So what is my point...? I guess this just serves as a reminder for us to be ever prayerful for all of the ministry and missions efforts, whether they be unique to Summer or not. All of what we do MUST be bathed in prayer or we shouldn't do it! And many of those prayers come from those of you who are not able to help with the logistics or implementation of the event. And yet the prayers are essential! Thank you for your faithfulness!

You are such a blessing!

See you Sunday!

*Ramon*



### THE WORSHIP OF GOD



July 5, 2026

**9:00 am:** Adult Praise Band  
**11:00 am:** *Be Still and Know*  
Sanctuary Choir

*It's a Conundrum, I Say*  
Romans 7:15-25  
Ramon Smith

July 12, 2026

**9:00 am:** Adult Praise Band  
**11:00 am:** *He Is the Everlasting God*  
Sanctuary Choir

*The "Catch" of Grace*  
Romans 8:1-11  
Ramon Smith

July 19, 2026

**9:00 am:** Adult Praise Band  
**11:00 am:** *God Is On Our Side*  
Sanctuary Choir

*Rev. Cecil Cave*  
*will be bringing*  
*the morning message!*

July 26, 2026

**9:00 am:** Adult Praise Band  
**11:00 am:** *All Heaven Declares*  
Sanctuary Choir

*Metamorphosize*  
Romans 8:26-39  
Ramon Smith

### Our Mission...

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



# A NOTE FROM MARY



The church year, like life in general, is full of highs and lows. We have those big days, you know, the obvious ones: Christmas, Easter, Pentecost. Then there's the time leading up to them: Advent, Lent. There are other special Sundays as well that are probably not on our calendars: Trinity Sunday, Ascension Sunday, and others. But we are currently in a season we do not talk about a lot. In some instances, they just call this the "season after Pentecost." In other places it's referred to as "Ordinary Time." Ordinary, not because it is boring, but because it is labeled by ordinal numbers, First Sunday after Pentecost, Second Sunday, etc. Historically, Ordinary Time is meant to be a season of discipleship. It is meant as a time of growth. In fact, for churches that dress their sanctuary with liturgical colors, ordinary time is green. And "Ordinary Time" takes up the majority of the Christian liturgical calendar.

Now, that was a lot of explanation for a simple thought: often, we mark our lives by the high times and the low times, the major calendar, and life events. We can forget about the "ordinary," the day-to-day living, or maybe deem it insignificant. However, if we look at our daily lives as opportunities to grow, as times to draw close to God, we are in the right place to experience whatever comes next, be it mountain or valley.



**We will meet on  
Monday, July 27th  
at 7 pm  
in the Garden Lobby**

**July's book is:  
*The Memory of Lavender  
and Sage*  
by Aimie Runyan**



## **Wednesday Night Dinner Plans for Summer 2026:**

We will be having "bring your own dinner" each Wednesday night during the summer. Plan to bring a homemade goodie from your kitchen or stop by your favorite restaurant to get a to-go order and bring it to the church. We will still have a time of fellowship and discipleship as we gather together each week.

There may be a few opportunities for Grub Club during the summer, so be on the lookout for emails with details in the coming months.

We will plan to start dinner back up on August 12th.



## **GRUB CLUB SUMMER EDITION**

Put it on your calendars! We'll be having Grub Club next Wednesday, July 8th at Coronet Seafood Restaurant in Rural Hall. A sign-up sheet is on the Garden Lobby Counter.

It will be a "get yourself there" event since both of the buses will be gone to Garden City, SC for youth camp. If you would like to join us for Grub Club and need a ride, let me know by Tuesday, July 7th and we will figure out some carpooling opportunities. I am excited for our first summer Grub Club!

## **IN THE HOSPITAL**

Our prayers and support are offered to the following individuals who are part of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital during the last month:

**Mark Clinard**

**Charles Edwards**

**Mary Hoyle**

**Lawrence Hudspeth**

**Bet Matthews**

**Buddy Priest**

**Don Wilson**

# *A Word From Wil*

## COLLEGE PARKERS:

Happy Fourth of July and happy 250th! We had a very informative and entertaining tour of the Samaritan's Purse Warehouse in N. Wilkesboro. For those who went to Samaritan's Purse Headquarters last year, this showed us the full scope of the mission work being done by this organization. A delicious, maybe not nutritious, lunch was had at Dom's Bakery and Subs. Our next trip is July 24th, we will be seeing Church Basement Ladies at the Wohlfahrt Haus Theatre. The sign-up deadline was June 8th. Missed the sign-up? Well, we have plenty of trips and fellowship opportunities this summer both churchwide and with College Parkers. All upcoming activities and sign-ups are located on the table in the Main Hallway across from Smith Hall and listed in our monthly newsletter (pp. 8-11). Sign-up and don't miss out on the fellowship and fun! You can always see what we have been up to with photos posted to Realm or our reel posted on Facebook.

Travelling this summer? Don't forget to tune in on Facebook or YouTube Live at our College Park Baptist Church page and channel.

~ Wil



### **Ethel Ledbetter WoM Circle Group**

**Ladies ... are you interested in joining a wonderful group of ladies with a heart for missions?**

**Lunch meetings are at 11:30 am on the second Wednesday of the month.**

**Our next lunch is Wednesday, July 15th at 11:30 am in Smith Hall.  
The cost is \$10 per person.**

**If this is your first time coming, please call Teresa in the church office to sign up!**

**Contact Deb Clinard at 540.326.5583 or [d\\_clinard@hotmail.com](mailto:d_clinard@hotmail.com) for more information**

### **COLLEGE PARKERS SUMMER 2026:**

**Through August 2026 our College Parkers luncheons will be on pause. Instead there will be plenty of trips and fellowship opportunities throughout the summer both churchwide and with College Parkers. Be on the lookout for announcements of activities in which you can participate.**

**A note of appreciation has been received from:**

**Bible Study Fellowship**





## July Creation Kids' News

"Commit your works to the LORD, submit and trust them to Him, and your plans will succeed if you respond to His will and guidance." Proverbs 16:3 (AMP) I pray these words will guide our hearts and minds each day as we strive to follow God's will for our lives.

Blessings of joy and peace, Leigh Ann



Thank you! Thank you!  
Thank you to all who helped to make VBS a wonderful time of worship, Bible study, and fun! We had a joyful time exploring the nature of God as we studied His Word, examined His incredible creation, and explored the truth that He knows us, loves us, and has great things in store for us - His beloved children of all ages! Thank you for your loving hearts and helping hands!



### Parents' Night Out

Please mark your calendars for Friday evening, July 31st! We hope you will plan to drop your kids off for an evening of fun, and you can have a little time to call your own. Please sign up in the garden lobby or shoot an email my way, so we can plan to meet the developmental needs of the young ones who will be attending. We will have a child-friendly dinner, play some games, and enjoy a movie.

[leighann@collegepark.ws](mailto:leighann@collegepark.ws)



### Preschoolers' Music & Message Time

Our youngest will have a chance to participate in music and the Message from 5:30 - 6:00 each Wednesday. Our goal is for this to be a developmentally appropriate time of music, movement, Bible study, and fun! We will meet Wednesday evenings in the preschool worship room. Parents are invited to drop off their little ones or to stay and join in the fun! This will begin on Aug. 12th.

# Youth, College Students & Recreation

Youth Camp

July 6-10

# RUNNING BACK TO YOU



Join me in praying for how God's going to move this week.

June 30th  
11:30 am



July 1st  
6:00 pm



July 14th  
11:30 am



July 15th  
6:00 pm



July 21st  
11:30 am



July 22nd  
6:00 pm



July 28th  
11:30 am



July 29th  
6:00 pm



**LOAVES AND FISH MINISTRY  
AND  
BLESSINGS BOX:**

Thank you for your continued faithfulness in supporting the Loaves and Fish and Blessings Box Ministry. So many are blessed each month with the food distribution, Blessings Box, and emergency food bags! Thank you! Our next distribution is Thursday, July 9th from 1:00 to 3:00 in the Garden Lobby.

***Don't forget to be kind to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it! ~ Hebrews 13:2***



**LOAVES AND FISH MINISTRY  
FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

***IMPORTANT NEWS!!!***



**We would love to start providing fresh produce during our monthly food distributions. If you have a garden or have access to a garden and would be willing to share items to be distributed each month, please reach out to Deb Clinard at:**

**d\_clinard@hotmail.com or 540.326.5583.**

**CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY**

***Gift for July***

***~ salad dressing, BBQ sauce, hot sauce ~***

**Items collected in June:**

**17 jars of jelly**

**24 jars of peanut butter**

***Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me."***

***Matthew 25:40***

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:**



**We are continuing our annual collection of items each month for our 2026 Operation Christmas Child shoe box event.**

**July's donation focus is:  
clothing/flip flops**

**Thank you for your willingness to donate to this meaningful missions project.**



## MAHJONG LESSONS AND FELLOWSHIP

**Crack, dot, bam!**

Want to learn to play Mahjong? Now is your chance!

Join us on Monday, July 20th from 3:00—5:00 pm or 6:00—8:00 pm for an informative, hands-on American Mahjong lesson and guided play led by Leigh Cummings.

Who: Anyone 16 and older  
8 people per session minimum  
Limited to 16 people per session, minimum 8 sign-ups required.

Cost: \$25

Leigh Cummings, founder of Little River Mahjong (and daughter of Deb Clinard) is an American mahjong instructor in Alabama and will be visiting Winston Salem in July. She began teaching mahjong at the middle school where she teaches special education and is thrilled to share her mahjong skills with us.

**Sign up by Wednesday, July 15th on the table in the hallway outside of Smith Hall. Payment is due to Teresa in the church office when you sign up. Make checks payable to College Park Baptist (put "Mahjong" on the memo line).**

Refreshments will be provided.



*You may sign up for trips on the table in the hallway outside of Smith Hall.*



### **The Milk Bar in Walnut Cove, NC**

**Who:** Senior Adults  
**When:** Tuesday, July 14th  
**Where:** Walnut Cove, NC  
**Cost:** \$5 (plus your lunch)

***The bus will leave College Park at 10:30 am and return about 3:00 pm.***

Enjoy the day exploring Walnut Cove, NC with lunch at the Milk Bar ... the home of family recipes made with love!

**Sign up is due by Monday, July 6th.**

**Payment is due to Teresa in the church office when you sign up.**

**Please make checks payable to College Park Baptist Church and put "Milk Bar" on the memo line.**

### **Church Basement Ladies at the Wohlfahrt Haus Theatre in Wytheville, VA (SIGN-UPS ARE NOW CLOSED, BUT YOU CAN LET TERESA IN THE CHURCH OFFICE KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PLACED ON THE WAIT LIST.)**

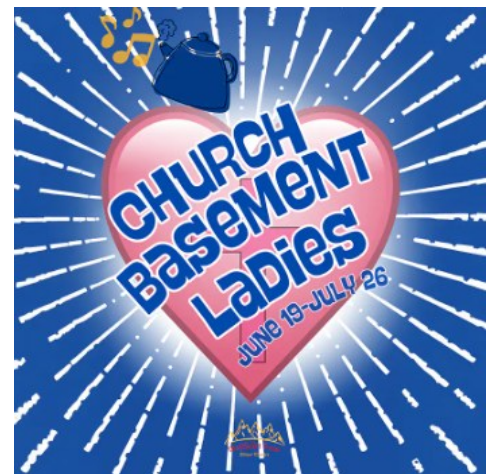
**Who:** Senior Adults  
**When:** Friday, July 24, 2026  
**Cost:** \$80 per person  
**Menu:** pita chips and spicy cheese dip, fresh garden salad, classic pulled BBQ pork, homestyle baked beans, creamy southern mac & cheese, fried green tomatoes with tomato jam, old fashioned carrot cake with cream cheese icing

The bus will leave College Park at 10:00 am and return about 6:00 pm.

**Sign up was due by Monday, June 8th.**

**Payment was due to Teresa in the church office when you signed up.**

**Please make checks payable to College Park Baptist Church and put "Church Basement Ladies" on the memo line.**





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**The Depot Restaurant in Dobson, NC**

**Who:** Senior Adults

**When:** Friday, August 7th

**Where:** Dobson, NC

**Cost:** dinner (plus a donation for bus expenses)

***The bus will leave College Park at 4:30 pm and return about 8:00 pm.***

We look forward to traveling back to Dobson, NC for one of our favorite restaurant excursions.

***The first 30 people who sign up who would like to ride the bus will have priority.***

***Sign up is due by Wednesday, July 22nd.***

**Fort Caswell Senior Week — Summerfest II**

***(SIGN-UPS ARE NOW CLOSED BUT YOU CAN LET TERESA IN THE CHURCH OFFICE KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PLACED ON THE WAIT LIST.)***

**Who:** Senior Adults

**When:** Monday-Friday, August 17th-21st

**Where:** Fort Caswell, Oak Island, NC

**Cost:** \$401 per person

***Sign up was due by Sunday, May 31st.***

***50% downpayment was due to Teresa in the church office when you signed up!***

***BALANCE IS DUE BY SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST!!!***

**Please make checks payable to College Park Baptist Church and put "Summerfest II" on the memo line.**





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**Blowing Rock with Lunch at The Town Tavern in Blowing Rock, NC**

**Who:** Senior Adults

**When:** Thursday, August 27th

**Cost:** \$10 and cost of lunch (plus a donation for bus expenses)

***The bus will leave College Park at 9:00 am and return to the church about 6:00 pm.***

Let's take a break from the heat and spend the day in Blowing Rock with lunch at The Town Tavern followed by a docent-led tour of the Blowing Rock Art and History Museum. Then we will walk across the street for a guided tour of the frescoes at Rumble Memorial Presbyterian Church. We will visit the Parkway Craft Center at the Moses Cone manor on the way home.

***Sign up is due by Wednesday, August 19th. Payment is due to Teresa in the church office when you sign up!***

**Please make checks payable to College Park Baptist Church and put "Blowing Rock" on the memo line.**

**Southern Supreme Fruitcake Tour in Bear Creek and Lunch at Mrs. Lacy's Magnolia House in Sanford**

**Who:** Senior Adults

**When:** Thursday, September 24th

**Cost:** \$10 and cost of lunch (plus donation for bus expenses)

***The bus will leave College Park at 9:15 am and return to the church about 5:30 pm***

We will enjoy lunch in a private room at Mrs. Lacy's and then go for a tour of Southern Supreme Fruitcake that includes a tasting.  
A maximum of 20 people can attend.



***Sign up is due by Wednesday, September 16th. Payment is due to Teresa in the church office when you sign up!***

**Please make checks payable to College Park Baptist Church and put "Fruitcake" on the memo line.**



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**The Raleigh Ringers at Centenary United Methodist Church in Winston Salem, NC ... INTEREST ONLY**

**Who:** Senior Adults

**When:** Sunday, December 6th at 4:00 pm

**Cost:** to be finalized (\$25—\$35)

Transportation arrangements to be determined.

What a wonderful opportunity to hear The Raleigh Ringers, an internationally acclaimed Emmy-nominated, advanced community handbell choir dazzle us!

***Sign up is due by Wednesday, July 29th. Payment will be due to Teresa in the church office once the price has been confirmed.***

Please make checks payable to College Park Baptist Church and put "Raleigh Ringers" on the memo line.



#### **Christmas Breakfast at Graylyn**

**Who:** Senior Adults

**When:** Tuesday, December 15th at 9:00 am

**Cost:** to be finalized (up to \$85)

Transportation arrangements to be determined.

Let's gather for a Christmas Breakfast at Graylyn. The estate will be decorated in its finest for Christmas. We will enjoy a buffet breakfast in a private room. We will also be treated to a presentation from one of the butlers about the history of this grand house.



What a wonderful time of the year to enjoy the festive decorations and a delicious meal with friends.

***Sign up is due by Wednesday, September 30th. A \$45 deposit is due to Teresa in the church office when you sign up!***

Please make checks payable to College Park Baptist Church and put "Graylyn Christmas Breakfast" on the memo line.

***Contact Deb Clinard for more information 540.326.5583. Sign-up sheets will be placed on the table in the hallway outside of Smith Hall as trips are scheduled.***

## COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Web Site: [www.collegepark.ws](http://www.collegepark.ws)

Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor  
Mary Keltner, Associate Pastor of Music & Education  
Matt Wilson, Associate Pastor of Youth, College, & Recreation  
Leigh Ann Pernell, Minister to Children  
Wil Worley, Minister to Senior Adults and Communications Specialist  
Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus

### GIVING OPPORTUNITY:

Make a difference in the ministries of College Park Baptist Church.

- Scan the QR Code to the right with the camera on your cell phone. Text 73256 with COLLEGE PARK, space, a dollar sign (\$), and amount (i.e., COLLEGE PARK \$900)
- Place your cash or check in an envelope and leave in the:
  - Offering plate
  - Giving center in the main hallway
  - Treasure chest
  - Giving Station in Smith Hall
- Qualified Charitable Distributions (check age requirements)
- Stock
- Include College Park in your estate



Contact Grace in the church office if you have any questions (336.768.5870 ext. 671) or [grace@collegepark.ws](mailto:grace@collegepark.ws).

### Church Conference:

Wednesday,  
July 22nd  
at 7:00 pm  
in Smith Hall

### STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

#### DEACON OF THE WEEK

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>July 5</u><br>Ken Hatchett  | <u>July 12</u><br>Bill Clapp   |
| <u>July 19</u><br>Lee Hinesley | <u>July 26</u><br>Debi Huskins |

#### GREETERS

|                                |                                 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <u>July 5</u><br>Jeff Stultz   | <u>July 12</u><br>Dennis Palmer |
| <u>July 19</u><br>Lynn Michael | <u>July 26</u><br>Tony Perkins  |

#### INFORMATION CENTER

Pat Blackwell  
Ron Cauble

#### PROPERTIES

|                                 |                                 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <u>July 5</u><br>Lee Hinesley   | <u>July 12</u><br>Lee Hinesley  |
| <u>July 19</u><br>Scott Andrews | <u>July 26</u><br>Scott Andrews |



Going out of town and need to get your tithe to the church? Feel free to drop your donation off in the secure hallway slot in the hallway outside of Smith Hall. You can go to [collegepark.ws](http://collegepark.ws) (click on Giving) to use Realm for either one-time donations or regular recurring gifts. You can mail donations anytime to 1701 Polo Rd, Winston-Salem, NC 27106. We are also able to accept Qualified Charitable Distributions or facilitate stock transfers. If you have any questions about giving, please feel free to contact Grace in the church office to help you.

### ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

|                     | <u>6/7</u> | <u>6/14</u> | <u>6/21</u> | <u>6/28</u> |
|---------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Re:Creation Worship | 83         | 87          | —           | 90          |
| 11:00 Worship       | 118        | 90          | 131         | 99          |

### STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

#### Budget ~ May 2026

|              | <u>MTD</u>   | <u>YTD</u>    |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Budget       | \$ 76,306.11 | \$ 381,530.53 |
| Receipts     | \$ 92,631.00 | \$ 379,274.58 |
| Expenditures | \$ 77,306.83 | \$ 374,603.99 |

#### Building Fund ~ May 2026

|                   |              |              |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$ 32,786.79 | \$ 29,543.73 |
| Receipts          | \$ 8,250.00  | \$ 65,323.00 |
| Expenditures      | \$ 9,609.98  | \$ 63,439.92 |
| Ending Balance    | \$ 31,426.81 | \$ 31,426.81 |

Loan Balance \$ 366,381.84