

HIGHLIGHTS

College Park Baptist Church

1701 Polo Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27106



As I write this, we are making final preparations for the memorial service for A.C. Larrimore. I can honestly say that every time I spoke with him over the last few years, he always made a point to say how blessed he is, and has been! He would also say how much he missed Bonnie and couldn't wait to see her again. What do those two statements have in common? For those who knew A.C. and Bonnie, that is an easy question! Their lives exemplified what it means to know the Lord, to recognize His blessings for us, and to build relationships with one another that properly reflect the goodness of God! And as we live those kind of lives, then people who do not know God will be drawn to Him through the actions and attitudes they see in us. It really is a simple plan that God put in place, and calls us to. The hitch is with us ... not

Him! So it's easy to point to a man like A.C. and talk about what a great man he was, but he would be the first to say that it is not him, but Christ within him. And certainly that is true, and certainly we should live our lives in a way that glorifies God, even as we seek to know Christ more, and strive to become more like Him. That is the challenge, but that is also a privilege as we understand the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives ... both personally and corporately. As we strive individually to be more Christ-like, then the whole body of Christ will be made stronger ... God's plan to grow the church and spread the good news of Jesus Christ!!! May we be more faithful, even as we begin to recognize just how blessed we are! Amen? Amen!

Thank you for your faithfulness!
You are such a blessing!

See you Sunday!

Ramon



THE WORSHIP OF GOD



August 2, 2026

Communion

9:00 am: Adult Praise Band

11:00 am: *Beautiful Savior*
Sanctuary Choir

Anguish for My People
Romans 9:1-5
Ramon Smith

August 9, 2026

9:00 am: Adult Praise Band

11:00 am: *Gonna Sit Down and*
Rest Awhile
Sanctuary Choir

The Roman Road
Romans 10:5-15
Ramon Smith

Our Mission...

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

August 16, 2026

Service of Affirmation
Prayer Partner Kickoff!

9:00 Sunday School
10:00 Combined Worship
The Song of the Ransomed
Sanctuary Choir
11:00 Cookout Lunch

August 23, 2026

9:00 am: Adult Praise Band

11:00 am: *You Are My All in All*
Sanctuary Choir

Service Set Right
Romans 12:1-8
Ramon Smith

August 30, 2026

9:00 am: Adult Praise Band

11:00 am: *Hallelujah, What a Savior*
Sanctuary Choir

That Other Love Chapter
Romans 12:9-21
Ramon Smith

A NOTE FROM MARY

When in His mercy God leads a soul in the higher path of sanctification, He begins by stripping it of all self-confidence, and to this end He allows our own schemes to fail, our judgment to mislead us. We grope and totter and make countless mistakes until we learn wholly to mistrust ourselves and to put all our confidence in Him. ~ Jean Nicolas Grou

I am not the most patient person in the world, and I like to think I am in control. Now, I am regularly reminded that I am not in control, but I like the illusion of it anyway. However, life keeps life-ing, and control is an allusion at best. At worst, it is an attempt to take the reins from the One who is in control. But scripture shows us time and time again that when we get impatient, when we try to fix things on our own, or when we take God's timing into our own hands, the result is rarely good. Think of Sarah giving her maidservant to her husband or of Saul deciding to offer the burnt offering that was not his to offer because he was tired of waiting for Samuel to show up. In both instances, someone decided to do something on their own to force God to fulfill His promises. The problem is that any time we try to force God's hand, we have decided that we know better than He does. And God will allow us to suffer the consequences of our own "wisdom." And, hopefully, we grow from it. However, growth can be a painful process when it comes from our mistrust and mistakes. How much better that we learn to fully trust that His ways are better than ours without getting ahead of Him!



**We will meet on
Monday, August 31st
at 7 pm
in the Garden Lobby**

**August's book is:
The Last Exchange
by Charles Martin**



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.

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, August 12th
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 for more information**

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:

Carolyn Britt

Linda Smith

Bob Pleasants

RJ Westphal

Buddy Priest

A Word From Wil

COLLEGE PARKERS:

Summer is getting short, but we still have plenty going on! We travelled all the way to Walnut Cove for a delicious lunch at the Milk Bar. We had a wonderful time with great food and fellowship! We got in a bit of thrifting at some local shops before returning home. As I write this our group will be going to see Church Basement Ladies at the Wohlfahrt Haus Theatre. There will be laughter by the bucketful, I'm sure. There is still a chance to join us on a day trip for lunch at The Town Tavern and a tour of the Blowing Rock Art and History Museum on August 27th (sign up by 8/19). The cost is \$10. We will also be dining at The Depot and a group will be going to Summerfest at Fort Caswell this month. Missed the sign-ups for these excursions? Well, we have plenty of trips and fellowship opportunities still to come as summer transitions into Autumn. 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 (below). 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.

Still have a few more travel plans for late Summer? Don't forget to tune in on Facebook or YouTube Live at our College Park Baptist Church page and channel.

~ Wil



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.

In Loving Memory
of
A.C. Larrimore

November 24, 1931
to
July 5, 2026

Member of College Park
since
1958



Live by faith
grow in grace
walk in love.





Creation Kids' August News

As our families prepare for the school year ahead, we entrust our children to our Heavenly Father's loving care! He has amazing things in store!

"Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life." Philippians 4:6-7 (MSG)

Wednesday Nights at The Park

5:30: Preschoolers' Music and Message - This will be a time for our youngest children of God to gather in the preschool worship room and sing, dance, and explore God's Word in an age appropriate way.

6:00: Dinner and Fellowship in Smith Hall for everyone!

6:30: Missions and Music - Our school age kids will gather upstairs on the children's hall to learn about the sharing of the Good News around the world, followed by children's choir time with Mary in the chapel.



Sunday of Affirmation - August 16th



The new school year is about to begin! We will have a special time of worship that morning to wrap our students, families, and educators in prayer as they prepare for the year ahead. We will celebrate as a church family with a cookout and a time of fellowship. Our schedule will be a little different. Take a look:

9:00 - Sunday School Small Groups

10:00 - Combined Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 - Cookout and Fellowship

Prayer Partner Ministry

On the Sunday of Affirmation, you will find a table filled with envelopes. Each envelope will have the name of a child, teen, or college student. Adults who feel called to participate can select an envelope and the contents will reveal their Prayer Partner for the year. Our hope is that every child will have someone to remember them in prayer each day. **We would like to suggest that all participants select a new Prayer Partner each year.** This is not to discourage you from continuing to pray for your current student, but to provide an opportunity to build even more relationships. A heartfelt prayer is a precious gift to share!



School Supplies

During the month of August, we will be collecting school supplies for students in our surrounding area. Many young ones are in need of pencils, crayons, glue sticks, notebooks, and supplies. We can help them get their year off to a positive start! You will find a collection area outside of Smith Hall to place your donations. Thank you for helping these young scholars have the needed tools for a successful academic year! God's plans for His children are great!



Youth, College Students & Recreation

ONE NIGHT. EPIC FUN. **UNSTOPPABLE FAITH.**

LOCK IN

FOOD. GAMES. FRIENDS.
YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS IT!

DATE:
AUG 7-8, 2026
FRIDAY 9PM - SAT 8AM

LOCATION:
COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

WHO:
6TH-12TH GRADE
BRING A FRIEND!

WHAT TO EXPECT:

-  AWESOME GAMES
-  GREAT FOOD
-  MOVIE & HANGOUT TIME
-  MEMORIES THAT LAST

BRING A 2 LITER DRINK AND A SNACK TO SHARE!

SIGN UP TODAY!
SEE A YOUTH LEADER TO SIGN UP.

DON'T MISS OUT!
IT'S GOING TO BE LEGENDARY.

SLIP & SLIDE KICKBALL!

ONE AFTERNOON. EPIC FUN. DON'T MISS IT!

DATE:
AUG 23TH | 3PM

WHO:
6TH-12TH GRADE
BRING A FRIEND!

BRING A TOWEL AND A CHANGE OF CLOTHES!

GET WET. PLAY HARD. MAKE MEMORIES!



**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, August 13th 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 continue 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 August

~ toilet paper and paper towels ~

Items collected in July:

- 9 bottles of BBQ sauce**
- 7 bottles of hot sauce**
- 16 bottles of salad dressing**

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.

**August's donation focus is:
school supplies**

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



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



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 was 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 was 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.



FUNDRAISING INFORMATION

Ever wonder what this board located in the gym lobby is for? In 2025, at church conference we approved a process to organize and approve Mission Opportunities where funds are raised for a particular effort or items are collected. Once the form is completed, finance will approve, deny, or request a change in schedule if we are already collecting too many items. Once approved, the missions efforts we are working on during a particular quarter are displayed for the month. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Grace Hodge in the church office for more information. We look forward to supporting these missions throughout the year.

COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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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 COLLEGEPARK, space, a dollar sign (\$), and amount (i.e., COLLEGEPARK \$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.



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 (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.

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

DEACON OF THE WEEK

August 2

Melanie Jones

August 9

Frank Martinez

August 16

Donna Bates

August 23

Coleman Hastings

August 30

Barry Nelson

GREETERS

August 2

Jeff Stultz

August 9

Dennis Palmer

August 16

Lynn Michael

August 23

Tony Perkins

August 30

to be arranged

INFORMATION CENTER

June Crabbe

RJ Westphal

PROPERTIES

August 2

Tom Hurst

August 9

Tom Hurst

August 16

Charlie Jones

August 23

Charlie Jones

August 30

Scott Andrews



ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	7/5	7/12	7/19	7/26
Re:Creation Worship	75	84	0	81
11:00 Worship	100	114	158	125

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Budget ~ June 2026

	MTD	YTD
Budget	\$ 76,306.11	\$ 457,836.64
Receipts	\$ 59,686.51	\$ 438,961.09
Expenditures	\$ 72,292.18	\$ 446,896.17

Building Fund ~ June 2026

Beginning Balance	\$ 31,426.81	\$ 29,543.73
Receipts	\$ 5,811.00	\$ 71,134.00
Expenditures	\$ 9,609.98	\$ 73,049.90
Ending Balance	\$ 27,627.83	\$ 27,627.83

Loan Balance \$ 357,661.24