



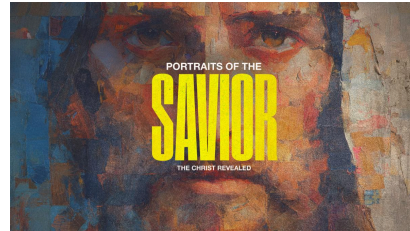
## **CREEK CONNECTION**

**April 8, 2026**

### **JOIN US THIS SUNDAY**

#### **Portraits of A Savior**

This Easter series invites us to look at Jesus our Savior as King, Servant, Sacrifice, and Healer. What we learn about our Lord will challenge us to reflect his character and obey his call on our lives. Our hearts of gratitude and committed obedience will honor the beauty of our Savior.



**8:30 AM Contemporary Service** (in person only)

**9:45 AM Contemporary Service** (in person & online)

**11:00 AM Traditional Service** (in person & online)

### **THIS WEEK AT THE CREEK**

Wednesday, April 8 / **NO 1NIGHT WEDNESDAY** / will resume April 15  
Sunday, April 12 / **Emerge Worship & Small Groups** / 6PM / The Pointe  
Monday, April 13 / **Prayer Team** / 7:30PM / Sanctuary  
Tuesday, April 14 / **Elevation Bible Study** / 10AM / Fellowship Hall  
Tuesday, April 14 / **Alpha Circle Meeting** / 2 PM / Fellowship Hall  
Thursday, April 16 / **Widows, Widowers and Singles Dinner** / 6PM / Fellowship Hall

#### **Deacons of the Week**

Phil James (919-273-2142), Daniel Pennington (252-351-7958) and Trent Pilkington (919-920-7367). If they can be of help to you, please reach out.

### **GENERAL INFO**

#### **Prayer Requests**

**Our Troops & their Families, Israel & Operation Epic Fury**

**Jimmy Grantham** - UNC Wayne with pneumonia

**Carolyn Kirkland** - Wilson Healthcare & Rehab

**Taliyah DeV Vaughn** - toddler from Princeton in critical condition (UNC Chapel Hill)

Joan Frazier - awaiting biopsy results (Susan Markley's mother)  
Greg Hayes - Upcoming MRI (Lynn Thaxton's cousin)  
Faye Price - Goldsboro Rehab



### Lunch with the Pastors Sunday | April 19 | 12:15 PM | Fellowship Hall

If you are new to Stoney Creek, we invite you to join us for "Lunch with the Pastors." Whether you have been attending for months or only visited a few times, this is a great way to get connected with our staff and learn more about our church!

If you are planning to attend, please register [HERE](#) to let us know! You can also register by **scanning the QR code** or by calling the Church Office at 919-735-3916



**Widows, Widowers & Singles** are invited to join the Crusaders for Christ Class for food and fellowship on **Thursday, April 16 at 6 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. **Sign up at the Elevation Info Center** or by calling Lynn at the church office.



### APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE!

The need for blood is always great! Mark your calendar for April 17 from 1:30 - 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall and **register online** to give. If you can volunteer to help at the drive, please contact Nancy Mills or the church office.



### Invest in the Next Generation: C3 Scholarship Fund

**Any amount will help! We have 50 campers going from Stoney Creek who would benefit from your giving.** At \$440 per camper, your generosity removes the financial barrier between a student and a week of worship, growth, and community. Whether you are an

individual or part of a Sunday School class, your contribution makes a direct impact. Thank you for helping us make C3 2026 accessible to everyone! **Make Checks Payable To: Christian Cadet Camp (or "C3")**



OCC Prep: Easter Clearance!



DATE CHANGE / May 9

Help us stock up for shoebox season! Keep checking to pick up highly discounted Easter "stuffies" and drop them in the donation tubs at **The Pointe** or the **Fellowship Hall**. These toys are a favorite for the kids—let's grab them while they're cheap!

Text 919-440-7486 if you'd like to be a part of a church/neighborhood giant yard sale @ \$20 per parking spot, for OCC. We handle the advertising. If 25 families support this, we will move forward. Saturday, May 9, 7-11 AM. (We had some response for April date, but not enough.)

## ELEVATION ADULT MINISTRY

### Helping adults 40 and over reach

- **UP**, in worship to God
- **OUT**, in service to others
- **IN**, to develop spiritually



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### Elevation Bible Study

This week, April 14, we have a special guest. Please join us and welcome Kim Wells as she shares with the group.

**Come ready to receive the Word and joyful fellowship together! We can't wait to see you!!** Donuts, coffee and water will be available

for your enjoyment. You are always welcome to bring a friend.

### Wilmington Petals, Platters, & Pier Escape

Thursday, April 23 / \$10 per person\*

Located along Bradley Creek and near the Intracoastal Waterway, Arlee Gardens is home to a stunning collection of natural gardens and eye-catching artworks. The gardens are dotted with thousands of camellias, magnolias, wisteria, azaleas, and other southern blooms. Explore the formal gardens, wildlife, ten acres of lakes, more than 75,000 azaleas, the tall Airlie Oak which dates back to 1545, and a seasonal butterfly house—just 2 miles from Wrightsville Beach. Walk the trails or ride a tram to discover landscapes where something is always in bloom.



8:30 AM – Depart for Wilmington  
 10:15 AM – Arrive at Airlie Gardens  
 12:30 PM – Lunch at Boathouse Restaurant  
 1:30 PM – Free time to walk on Johnny Mercer's Fishing Pier  
 2:30 PM – Depart for Goldsboro

\*Admission includes access to the tram which makes multiple stops around the gardens. The tram is not a narrated tour.

Please sign up [HERE](#) if you hope to go. You can pay on the day of the trip.

### Saturday Morning Triple Feature May 2 @ 9 AM

- 1) Free **Breakfast** at 9 AM in FH  
THEN choose:
- 2) Private **Skeet Shooting Range** – Depart for range at 9:30 AM ...(OR)...
- 3) **Paper Quilling Workshop** at 9:30 AM in FH

You can choose two of the three:



Join us for breakfast and then follow us to the shooting range.  
Or join us for breakfast and then stay in the FH for the Paper Quilling project with Miss Debra and Cindy Kimble.

[Register HERE](#) to join us for this event and to see more information.

Bring your shotgun and hone your skills hitting moving clay targets. Bring a pistol for target practice. Or, break out your craft skills by making a beautiful paper quill cross. Men or women can do either.

**We can't wait to enjoy the morning with you!**

*Thank you Mr. Pat H. for use of your skeet shooting range!*

**For safety, please leave your shotgun/pistol locked in your vehicle during breakfast. We will have a safety talk before leaving the church for the shooting range.**

**Wilson Warbirds**  
**(Military Appreciation Night)**  
**Parker's Barbecue**  
**Thursday, May 14 @ 4:30 PM**



We will enjoy dinner & fellowship at **Parker's BBQ** and then head to the **BRAND NEW WARBIRDS STADIUM** for an exciting **Minor League Baseball Game**

between the **Wilson Warbirds** and **Hill City Howlers** (from Lynchburg, VA). The **brand new stadium** is next door to the **Whirligig Park**. Feel free to check out the Whirligigs while at the ballpark.

**Reserved Seating. Easy Access. Group Tickets — \$16 per person.**

- 4:30 PM - Depart for Wilson
- 5:00 PM –Dinner at Parker's Barbecue (CASH ONLY)
- 6:00 PM – Leave for Wilson Warbirds NEW Stadium
- 6:20 PM – Unload & Enter the NEW Stadium Complex. Free time to explore the Stadium or Whirligig Park.
- 7:05 PM – Game Begins

### [2026 Elevation Adults - At a Glance](#)

*\*Elevation Ministries targets adults in the 40 to 99 age range.*

April 23 (Thursday) 8:30 AM – Wilmington Petals, Platters, & Pier Escape  
May 14 (Thursday) – Wilson Warbirds evening game in NEW stadium!  
June 18 (Thursday) – John H. Kerr Dam & Recreation Park Outing  
July 2 (Thursday) 6 PM – "We Still Love Our Flag" Cookout & Celebration  
August 21 (Friday) 6 PM – An "Evening of Appreciation for our Educators" (Everyone invited to celebrate our K-12/college teachers & administrators)  
September 24-27 – Washington DC by Amtrak (all ages welcome)  
October 11 – Raleigh after Church (Farmer's Market Restaurant, Dix Park, Howling Cow Creamery & Dairy)

## EMERGE STUDENT MINISTRY



**Worship & Small Groups**  
**Sunday | April 12 | 6 - 8 PM | the Pointe**

We are excited to be together again!  
Quesadillas for supper, worship and small groups, too. Bring friends and come expecting great things!

## UNITE '26 is coming!

Calling all 6th graders through college students—mark your calendars for **May 16th!** We're heading to the University of Mount Olive for an incredible day of worship, connection, and growth.



- **Where:** University of Mount Olive (634 Henderson St, Mt Olive)
- **When:** Check-in starts at 9:00 AM | Conference runs 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- **Cost:** \$45 (Includes meal, snack, swag bag, T-shirt, and student book!)
- **IMPORTANT:** Register by May 1st to guarantee your T-shirt and swag bag!

## CREEKIDZ MINISTRY



**ATTENTION PARENTS:** Help us keep our kids safe! Please check your child(ren) in at the CreeKidz Check In Center using the tablets provided every Sunday morning. It helps with our records and safety protocols. If you need a hand, our team is right there to help!



### Preschool Focus for April

**Theme:** Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

**Memory Verse:** "How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ." Ephesians 3:18



### Elementary Focus for April

**Theme:** Celebrating Jesus and joy that never ends.

**Memory Verse:** "Always be joyful because you belong to the Lord. I will say it again. Be joyful! Philippians 4:4

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for our next Power Planet FX on Sunday, April 26 at the Pointe.

- 5:45 Registration / Doors Open
- 6:00 PM Light supper
- 6:30 PM Power Planet FX

Watch for more details coming soon!



For added safety, each child will receive an extra security sticker at check-in. Please keep this sticker and



Get ready for an unforgettable week this summer at VBS! From July 19–23, kids will dive into *Rainforest Falls*,

bring it with you when picking up your child. If you don't have your sticker, this will delay pick-up time while we verify your guardianship. At pick-up, please stay in line and allow staff to bring your child out to you. Thank you for helping us keep our kids safe!

an exciting adventure filled with engaging Bible stories, high-energy worship, fun games, and meaningful friendships—all centered on exploring the nature of God! Be sure to mark your calendars—registration opens May 17! You won't want to miss it!

## MORE WAYS TO CONNECT

How can we pray for you? [Submit a PRAYER REQUEST](#)

Want to receive occasional texts? [Sign up for SCC TEXT MESSAGES](#)

Change of email, address, phone? [Submit a CHANGE OF INFORMATION](#)

Are you interested in serving at SCC? [Start HERE](#)

Building need? Contact Facilities Manager, [Steve Pate](#) (919-502-9588)

Need something added to the Creek Connection? Contact [Mary Beth Williams](#)

Need to contact a pastor? **Email by clicking below or text/call them!**

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[Barry Williamson, Congregational Care Pastor](#) 919-920-4996

[Anderson Barnes, Student Pastor](#) 919-223-8980

[Walker Honeycutt, Children's Pastor](#) 919-738-7302

[Abigail Honeycutt, Birth to Preschool Pastor](#) 919-222-8392



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