

The Scroll

THE PASTOR'S PEN

A Reprise of An Easter Reflection

The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. Unrolling it, He found the place where it is written:

"The Spirit of the LORD is on me, because He has anointed me to preach good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor."

Luke 4: 17-19

(Isaiah 61: 1-2)

Deep Creek Baptist Church is a Christ-centered, Bible-based, Ministry-focused community of faith committed to serving the LORD Jesus Christ.

I wonder if we REALLY understand the meaning of Easter? The more important question is how do we live in light of Easter? For so many church folk the meaning of Easter has become either just another annual celebration on the church calendar or the annual pep rally production where we all lock arms, sing Kum-ba-Ya, and get all pumped up because death has been defeated, our sin is covered, and now we've got our ticket to eternity! Hmm, is that what the Bible really teaches? Well, I don't think so....

Easter is certainly a time to CELEBRATE. Let's ALL PARTY, but let's know what the party is REALLY all about. Is our eternal destination all that Easter is about? What about the present? What about the past? Well, here is something to ponder. Someone once said that time is swallowed up in eternity and God knows no beginning or end and He lives in eternity not time. This is good theology for understanding Easter.

Here is my point. So many folk only see the meaning of Easter in a future tense, the eternal destination sense and gloss over the implications for the present and past life. You see eternal life DOES NOT begin AFTER we die, but when we come to know Christ. Listen to Jesus in John 17:3, "And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God and Jesus Christ whom you have sent." Do you see the implications for life this side of Heaven? Let me briefly share three points for you to ponder. First, because of Easter we are no longer under the penalty of our past, present, and future sins. Christ has paid the price for us. When God looks at our sins He also looks at what Christ did for us at Easter. He looks through

the lens of eternity which encompasses the past, present, and future and He sees that the sins in our life has been covered by the blood of Christ on the Cross.

Second, because Christ paid the penalty for our sins, we no longer have to carry around baggage of guilt associated with sin—it is finished. So many folk just want to hold on to the guilt of sin. The consequence is the everlasting treadmill of trying to be good enough, trying to work harder, or trying to bargain with God. Ultimately, the result is sheer exhaustion and frustration that results in the prune face of the joyless Christian life. This is not exactly what Jesus had in mind in John 10:10. Finally, God is in the resurrection business this side of Heaven. It is being in Christ that allows God the Holy Spirit to pour out the same resurrection power that raised Christ to life 2000 years ago. So in light of Easter, how has God resurrected your life in this present life? The resurrected life is a changed life, the resurrected life is a surrendered life, and the resurrected life is the abundant life of Christ living in and through us making new creations in Him!

So, this Easter let me invite you to ponder about the REAL meaning of Easter and how you are living life now in light of what God did in eternity past more than 2000 years ago.

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In The Grip of God's GRACE,

Rick Page

Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, March 28 at 7:00 pm

Please note: There will be NO meal, Bible Study, Youth and Choir Practice on Wednesday, March 27

The Youth and the Choir will meet/practice immediately after the Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday.



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

If you would like to make an offering please use the offering envelopes in the pew pockets.
If you would like to make an offering in honor of or in memory of someone—please note the person’s name on the envelope; this will be done in lieu of the Easter Lillies.



PRAYER REQUESTS

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PRAYER OF
A
RIGHTEOUS
MAN IS
POWERFUL
AND
EFFECTIVE .

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At Home

- Zander Whittaker—Cheyenne’s son
- Francis Fulk
- Millie Daugherty
- Dwight Leftwich-Sherry Leftwich’s husband
- Dixie Moncus-Nadine Moncus’s daughter-in-law
- Dana Sharpe-Catrina Renegar’s niece
- Pat Shupe-Katrina Renegar’s mother
- Whitney Todd-Bobby Todd’s niece
- Plumer Wooten-Sue Brandon’s mother
- Jim Lundy
- Debbie Orrell

Nursing Home/Rehab

- June Blunk Beulah Stanley
- Audrey Chewing Tobie Styers
- Nell McKnight Polly Todd
- Lois Sencial Mary Waller
- Betty Shore
- Upward Basketball Program
- Military and Families

BIRTHDAYS

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| Mar 2 Melissa Taylor | Mar 18 Lamar Reavis |
| Mar 4 Pete Gough | Mar 19 Linda Kent-Hall |
| Mar 8 Travis Black | Mar 22 Georgia Jackson |
| Mar 11 Lee Cook | Mar 24 Lois Todd |
| Mar 11 Hailey Brown | Mar 30 Lacey Robinson |
| Mar 12 Rhonda Dagenhart | Mar 30 Nell McKnight |
| Mar 13 Audrey Lynch | Mar 31 Landon Lynch |
| Mar 17 Wayne Renegar | |

**For You created my
inmost being;
You knit me together
in my mother’s womb.
I praise You
because I am
fearfully and wonderfully
made;
Your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.**

Psalms 139: 13-14

C H I L D R E N ' S M I N I S T R I E S

Nursery Workers

Children's Sermon/Church

**Jesus said,
"Let the little children
come to me, and do not
hinder them, for the
kingdom of heaven be-
longs to such as these."**

Matthew 19:14

Mar 10 Janet Epley and Kent Brandon
Mar 17 Bill and Lisa Nance
Mar 24 Kristy White and Lisa Williams
Mar 31 Kelly Keaton and Bobby Todd
Apr 7 Alan and Ann Ray
Apr 14 Jimmy and Tami Merrell
Apr 21 Bud and Fran Kiger
Apr 28 Judy and Hailey Brown

Mar 10 Sherry Leftwich
Mar 17 Charles and Ann Holden
Mar 24 Tammy Smith
Mar 31 Rick Page
Apr 7 Collins Sisters
Apr 14 Sherry Leftwich
Apr 21 Charles and Ann Holden
Apr 28 Tammy Smith

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

Operation Hop-Along

Saturday, March 30

4:00 to 6:00 pm

Food, Games, Easter Hunt,
Fellowship and Fun for all.

Decorate the Fellowship Hall will be
on Friday, March 29th at 10:00 am.
Volunteers are needed!

Easter Services

6:30am - Sunrise Service

Breakfast immediately following in
the Fellowship Hall.

10:30am - Worship Service

NO Sunday School

*Free Tax Return Services
Free tax return preparation
and assistance is available
at the Yadkinville Public
Library on a walk-in basis
on Wednesday and
Thursday from 8am until
noon. The East Bend
Library will provide tax
services on Thursdays from
noon until 4pm by
appointment only.*

Ushers

Mar 10 Lee Cook, Ronnie Eads
Bobby Todd, Billy Vestal
Mar 17 Charles Holden, Clyde Hoots
Rosie Lynch, Ronald Shore
Mar 24 Edsel Allgood, Kent Brandon
Woodie Gough, Bud Kiger
Mar 31 Lee Cook, Robin Gough
Jody Smith, Harrell Todd

Backpack Ministry

The Joy Group will pack the backpacks in
March.

**He took a little child
and had him stand among them.
Taking him in His arms,
He said to them,
"Whoever welcomes one
of these little children
in My name welcomes Me;
and whoever welcomes Me
does not welcome Me
but the One who sent Me.
Mark 9:36-37**

Deacon's Meeting
Sunday, March 17 at 8:30 am
Business Meeting
Sunday, March 17 at 12:00pm
Baptist Women Meeting
Sunday, March 17 at 6:00 pm
at the church.
Joy Group
Thursday, March 28
Church Clean-Up
Saturday, March 16
Starting at 9:00 am
Rain date is set for March 23

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Newsletter submission

If you have information that you would like to have in the church newsletter, please email it to Teresa Page at teresa.w.page@gmail.com or send it by snail mail to 309 Pine Valley Rd, Yadkinville, NC 27055. The deadline for submission will be the 20th of the month prior to publication. Thank-you for your help!

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

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| Mar 11 HIM Class 7pm | Mar 31 Easter Sunrise Service 6:30am
Breakfast 7am |
| Mar 13 Wednesday Night Activities | Worship Service 10:30am NO Sunday School |
| Mar 14 HIM Class 7 pm | Apr 1 HIM Class 7pm |
| Mar 16 Church Clean-Up 9am | Apr 6 Wednesday Night Activities
Worship Committee Meeting 8:20pm |
| Mar 17 Deacon's Meeting 8:30am
Business Meeting 12:00pm
Baptist Women Meeting 6pm | Apr 4 HIM Class 7pm
Outreach Committee Meeting 7pm |
| Mar 18 HIM Class 7pm | Apr 7 Church Council 8:30am
Communion
Baptist Children's Food Drive |
| Mar 20 Wednesday Night Activities | Apr 8 HIM Class 7pm |
| Mar 21 HIM Class 7pm | Apr 10 Wednesday Night Activities |
| Mar 23 Rain Date for Church Clean-up 9am | Apr 11 HIM Class 7pm |
| Mar 24 Palm Sunday | Apr 14 Sunday School Training 8:45am |
| Mar 25 HIM Class 7pm | Apr 21 Deacons Meeting 8:30am
Baptist Women 6:00pm |
| Mar 27 NO Wednesday Night activities | Apr 27 Port-A-Pit Fundraiser |
| Mar 28 Maundy Thursday 7pm
Youth and Choir will meet following the service | |
| Mar 29 Decorate for Hop-Along 10:00am | |
| Mar 30 Operation Hop-Along 4-6pm | |