



Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

What an awesome Holy Week we had together last week! From our Palm Sunday services to our Maundy Thursday service to our Easter sunrise celebration and finally the amazing Easter morning service with the Tharpes and Art Alive ministries. We are so blessed!!

Last week, we looked at the events of Holy Week with emphasis given to the events of Good Friday. This week, I want us to consider more carefully the miraculous power of the resurrection.

First, did you know that Easter comes on the first Sunday after the first full moon (Paschal Moon) after the first day of Spring? Therefore, the earliest Easter can ever come is March 22. This year it came March 23! We will not have an Easter that early for many, many years! By the way, Easter Sunday can never come later than April 25!

A Sunday School teacher asked the students in her class to write one sentence each on "What Easter means to me." One little girl wrote, "Egg salad sandwiches for two weeks!" I trust Easter means much more to you than egg salad sandwiches.

Easter is the anniversary of the single greatest event in the history of the world – the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ! That single event changed everything forever. In November 1994, at the University of Colorado at Boulder, Dr. Michael Tooley, the spokesman for the American Atheists, Inc., entered into a debate with Dr. William Craig, a Christian with two earned doctoral degrees. It was during that debate that many people came to understand that Christianity could stand up to rational analysis and rugged scrutiny. In the end, it was no contest. What did William Craig say that turned so many to Christ? What evidence did he give for the resurrection? He won the debate because he defended the resurrection with common sense. Something happened about two thousand years ago that changed the world and the world has never been the same since. And the only answer that makes sense is that Jesus Christ is alive. He is risen!!

Jesus Christ is alive in my life. I can't prove it to you, but I can tell you about it through my testimony. He changed my life when I was just twelve years old and I have never been the same since. As you reflect upon the resurrection this Easter season, think about how Christ has changed your life.

I look forward to growing with you in Sunday School and worshipping with you in church.

Blessings in Jesus,

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Need Help?

The SC Baptist Convention will lead a financial seminar at Northgate May 16-17. Make plans now to attend!



Spring Fling is April 5 from 3 - 6 p.m. This free event is for all children through 5th grade. There will be **blow-up games, relay races, games, cake walk, food, and loads of fun.** This is a community outreach so invite your friends to come, especially those who do not attend church.

Bible Drill

Our church Bible Drill is set for Wednesday, April 2 at 6:30. Be here and see what our children have learned this year. All who are participating in Bible Drill are asked to be at practice this Sunday, March 30 at 5 p.m.

New Women's Bible Study Begins Sunday

Ladies, join us for 2 six-week sessions of "Daniel" by Beth Moore beginning this Sunday @ 5 p.m. in the Welcome classroom. Childcare will be available. Contact Tammy Wallace, facilitator, at 268-8970 or Wallacecooks@aol.com.

Would You Like to Help?

The Home Mission Group could use your help in providing boxes for ladies leaving Shepherd's Gate Shelter. Items needed include paper towels, toilet tissue, window cleaner, general purpose cleaning products, dish towels, scrubbers, bath towels and wash cloths, dust mops, brooms, dust pans, drinking glasses, silverware, pots and pans, dishes, sheets, and blankets. A box will be in the hallway beside the church office. For information contact Linda Hardesty, Debbie Folk, or Linda Garner.

Parents, Need a Night Out?

Take advantage of some free babysitting on April 18. Bring your children, from birth through grade 5, to the church from 6 - 8 p.m. and enjoy a good meal, a movie, or just some good adult conversation and company!

If you plan to bring your children, please fill out the form below and drop it in the offering plate on Sunday or return it to the church office so plans can be made.

Name _____
Name and age of children who will participate _____



Ladies, come to a birthday party in your honor on April 19. Your secret sister will be revealed and you will get your secret sister for next year! All ladies are invited!

For All Sunday School Teachers

You are invited for fellowship and the sharing of ideas this Sunday, March 30 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the home of Warren and Allison Peden at 20 Lake Forest Drive.



March 30
at 7 p.m.
at the church
with emphasis on
those fighting cancer

Would you like to place **flowers in the sanctuary** in honor of or in memory of a loved one or to honor a special event in your life? Contact Patty Runion.

Pray daily for these missionaries during our March Emphasis for North American Missions



As Student Mobilization Team missionaries, John and Linda Hodge are responsible for logistics for World Changer projects.

Brad Lartigue is a resort missionary and chaplain who leads evangelism outreach in Big Sky, MT.



Chris and Monica Woodall assist in evangelism efforts, prayer emphases, and disaster relief in Hawaii, Guam and American Samoa.

Our church family **MATTERS**

Homebound Member of the Week

Elizabeth Bruce
204 E Celestial Drive, Greer SC 29651

Nursing Home Resident of the Week

Alice Phillips
Southern Oaks Care #120
120 Roper Mountain Road Ext. Greenville SC 29615



A **thank you note** is posted on the bulletin board near the elevator on the second floor from Sam Harp and Joan Taylor

Because He Gave, We Give . . . March 23

Budget Receipts	\$ 8,836
Budget Requirements Y-T-D	\$128,424
Budget Receipts Y-T-D	\$109,406

Happy Birthday for the Week of April 1 - 5

1. Kenneth Noe
2. Yvonne Floyd, Lance Hendrix
3. Alice Phillips, Jimmy Cox
4. Suzanne Dugan, Lauren Vass
5. Lyle Doornbos



Family Night Supper . . . Wednesday, April 2

Make or cancel reservations by Tuesday noon by calling the church office. If you do not cancel your reservation by **Tuesday noon**, you are obligated to pay.

Menu: Ham, Macaroni and Cheese, Green Beans, Rolls, Tea, and Peach and Cream Tart

Serving Team 2: Eunice Graham, Melissa Lawton, Marian Huskey, Ted Garner

Reservation Attendant: Frances Gregory

Support Our Youth!

- ♥ Pray for them.
- ♥ Eat at Chick-Fil-A in Taylors on Friday nights and our youth will get 20% of what you spend. Be sure to get a card from the church office before you go.
- ♥ Call Blue and arrange for a youth to help you with odd jobs around your house and yard. You then make a donation toward their mission trip.

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Servants This Week

Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month: Walt Green, Mills Hunter,
Will Kirby

(April) Warren Peden, Glenn Walls, Tom Simon

Preschool Volunteers: Lewis & Lou Jean Barker
Marian Huskey, Joey & Kelly Hall

Children's Church: Warren & Allison Peden
Steve Todd

Wednesday Preschool: Susan McClure

Ushers: Bob Parker, Steve Poole, Melvin Sammons
John Spagnolo

Sound/Video Projection: John Folk/Ryan Richards

Monday Counters: Perry Folk, Chuck Cornish

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson
 Minister of Students and Children: Blue Bryan
 Interim Minister of Music: Joel Duncan
 Financial Assistant: Brenda Whitaker
 Ministry Assistant: Anne Beaver
 Custodian: Tommy Murray
 Pianist: Patty Nance
 Organist: Pat Cannon
 Hostess/Food Service: Tammy Wallace



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*Loving God, Loving People...Here, There, and Everywhere
Helping one another develop healthy, growing, and
productive relationships with God, family, and community.*

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Northgate Goal \$7,500
Received to Date \$3,960
Needed to Reach Our Goal \$3,540

Did you know . . . that three out of four people in the United States and Canada do not have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ? Who are you telling about Jesus today?

We may not be able to go on a mission trip, but we can pray for our missionaries, tell our friends and neighbors about Jesus, and give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering to help support mission work in North America.

Northgate has been emphasizing the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions during the month of March. If you have not already done so, ask God what you could do to help spread the gospel of Christ and further the work of our missionaries.

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