

The Channel

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An All-Encompassing Love

"His every move, every word, every healing, every rebuke, every drop of blood—an act of love! From the moment he lay in the manger to the day he disappeared behind the clouds—all acts of love. Jesus, the Christ, the Son of the Living God—simply, purely, completely, and unshakably on a mission of redemptive love!"

-Bruce Marchiano, *In the Footsteps of Jesus*

This year, Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday fall on the same day. At first glance there seems to be a stark contrast. With Valentine's Day, there is brightness, abundance, candy, and expressions of love. With Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent, there is darkness, deprivation, and sobriety. At least that appears to be the relationship on a surface level.

Consider a connection between the two events, though—love. Love sent Jesus to earth. Love is the thread that connects everything Jesus said and did. Love led to suffering and the cross. It's easy to write and read those words, but it's not always easy to grasp all that they mean for us. Could someone really love us that much? Could any other love have its life-altering power?

This year, spend some time during Lent reflecting on God's great expression of love for you. Yes...you. You are that important to him. Maybe Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday aren't as different as they first appear.

"May you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love really is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is so great you will never fully understand it. Then you will be filled with the fullness of life and power that comes from God."

(Ephesians 3:18-19)

Mike



Last weekend I took a group of youth on my first overnight trip with RBC. We left NC and headed to Winterplace ski resort in West Virginia. It was many of the youth's first time skiing or snowboarding, but I saw smiles on faces despite the bumps and bruises! Beyond their ski skills I was impressed at how well they got along as a group. Personally, I truly enjoyed this chance to get out of our regular space and spend some time with these great young people. It has been an honor to minister with them these past months, and I am looking forward to our future adventures together.

This was more than just a fun getaway, however. Our retreat featured two worship services under the theme of "Stranger Love" focusing on Leviticus 19:34: *"You must treat the outsider as one of your native-born people—as a full citizen—and you are to love him in the same way you love yourself; for remember, you were once strangers living in Egypt. I am the Eternal One, your God."* Preachers Josh and Jessica Hearne (directors of Grace and Main in Danville, VA) shared stories from their ministry and challenged us how we can love those seen as stranger as ourselves. This is not an easy charge, but it is central to our lives as Christians. I pray this is a conversation that our youth continue to have, as well as our entire RBC family.

As the end of winter approaches and spring is in sight we are looking forward to many upcoming youth events. We will have fun, but we will also challenge ourselves as we grow in our faith. Please continue to pray for our youth ministry as these young people seek what it means to be in God's Kingdom.

JD

Remember in Prayer

Diane Austin, Dott Crews, Lori Featherston, Bubba Garrett, Steve Garrett, Marty Glazier, Margaret Johnston, Hilna Long, Linda Masten, Ken Medlin, Polly Puett, Jimmy Wilkins, Darcus Woody, Ruffin Woody



Duke Regional – Esther Nichols

Cambridge Hills – Ruby Hall, Calvin & Olena McMillan

Roxboro Nursing Center – Dolian Harris, Edith Merritt, Evelyn Walker, Esther Warren

Christian Sympathy to Barry Tucker in the death of his mother, Betty on 1/24.

Christian Sympathy to the family of Arnold Ashley who passed away on 1/29.

Christian Sympathy to the family of Margaret Kirby who passed away on 1/29.



Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal

February 7: Barbeque Sandwiches, baked beans, cole slaw, and salad bar

February 14: Baked Potato and salad bar

February 21: Ham, roasted parmesan garlic potatoes, green beans, and salad bar

Volunteers:

February 7: Mary Harris, Jean Waldo, Kim Boswell, Reid Davis, Helen Hobgood, James Woody, Ann Wrenn

February 14: Wilma Brooks, Bill & Judy Hodgins, Barry & Teresa Tucker

February 21: Clara Deny, Wanda Bailey, Marian Whitt, Lynn Pearce, James Woody

Youth Supper Volunteers

Sunday, February 11	Bill & Judy Hodgins
Sunday, February 18	Jeff & April Roberts
Sunday, February 25	Richard & Alice Whitfield
Sunday, March 4	Janice Johnson & Bridgit Jones
Sunday, March 11	Michael & Lori Stacey

Sunday Attendance

January 28, 2018

Sunday School – 104 Worship – 164

February 4, 2018

Sunday School – 79 Worship – 138

Our Ministry of Giving

January 28, 2018

Weekly amount needed to meet budget \$9,667.28

Budget \$7,510.02

Designated

Music 150.00

Building in Faith (BIF) \$105.00

February 4, 2018

Weekly amount needed to meet budget \$9,667.28

Budget \$6,226.90

Designated

Rent 50.00

Building in Faith (BIF) \$290.00

Nursery and Extended Session

Sunday, February 11

Christa Allen (Nursery)

Ken & Sarah Childers (Extended Session)

Martha Tuck & Tara Holmes (Special Needs)

Sunday, February 18

Bridgit Jones (Nursery)

Pat & Tara Holmes (Extended Session)

Michelle & Glenn Day (Special Needs)



Breakfast

Baptist Men's Breakfast

The Men's Breakfast for the month of February will be held on the last Sunday of the month, February 25 at 8:30 in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend.



Community Lenten Luncheons

Everyone is invited to participate in the Community Lenten Luncheons at Long Memorial United Methodist Church each Wednesday from February 21 until March 21. Lunch begins at 12:00, followed by a time of worship. The service concludes at 1:00 pm.

February 21 – First Baptist

February 28 – Long Memorial United Methodist

March 7 – Roxboro Baptist

March 14 – Roxboro Presbyterian

March 21 – St. Mark's Episcopal



Volunteers Needed!

A few more volunteers are needed. Please call the church office if you can help break up and deliver our Sunday Worship Flowers to those in need of some cheer.

February 4	Jo Mooney
February 11	Judy Hodgkin
February 18	
February 25	
March 4	Glenn & Michelle Day
March 11	Mary F & Waylon Newton
March 18	Audrey Parker
March 25	

Christian Help Center Volunteers

Prepare & Serve a Meal

Thursday, March 1

Judy Wilkerson & Her mother



Dental Clinic

Roxboro Baptist Church is sponsoring a dental clinic on Saturday, March 3, from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Appointment times are now available. If you know of someone who could benefit from this ministry, please have them call the church office at 336-599-9248 to schedule an appointment.

February Collections

We are collecting new and gently used baseball caps. They will be used for mission opportunities. Please bring them to the church office.



Save the Date



Vacation Bible School

July 8 – July 12

5:30 – 8:00 p.m.



Tickets Available

Extra tickets are available to anyone who would like to join the youth trip to the Carolina Hurricanes game on Friday, February 9 against the Vancouver Canucks. They will leave the church at 5:00. Tickets are \$20, and you also will need money for dinner at the game. Please see JD if you are interested.



Scholarship Applications

Scholarship applications for church members are available in the office. Awards will be given to students attending college in the fall of 2018.

The deadline for submitting applications is Monday, March 26.

NC Baptist Foundation Scholarships

The NC Baptist Foundation has three types of educational scholarships available for students (one for those preparing for full-time ministry; one for those attending Campbell University, Chowan University, Gardner-Webb University, Mars Hill University, Meredith College or Wingate University; and one for those attending any institution of higher learning). Applications for the scholarships are now open online and will end at the close of business (5 p.m.) on February 15. For more information and to apply, go to the following weblink: <http://www.ncbaptistfoundation.org/scholarships.aspx>



Homebound and Seniors Away

Please make contact with our homebound this week.

Bill Shotwell

PO Box 344, Roxboro

Carol Siebert

205 N. Charles St., Apt#1, Roxboro

Evelyn Walker – Roxboro Nursing Center, Room#214

901 Ridge Rd., Roxboro

Louise Walthall

322 N. Charles St.

Anne Wilkerson – River Landing

Harbor Town #008

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