

CHURCH EVENTS

May 1

Potluck Dinner 5:00p

May 3-4

Men's Outdoor Weekend

May 5

Deacons' Meeting 2:00p

May 12

Mother's Day

Touch 2:00p

May 14

Senior Adult Luncheon

Church Council Meeting
6:00p

May 19

Business Meeting
Following Worship

May 23

Newsletter Input Due

May 22

OCC Training at OCC
6:00p-9:00p

May 27

Memorial Day
Church Office Closed

Sunday Worship:

9:15 am—Coffee Fellowship

9:45 am—Sunday School

11:00 am—Worship Service

Wednesdays:

6:00 pm—Adult Bible Study

6:00 pm—Children/Youth

7:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays:

7:00 pm—Celebrate Recovery

Fridays:

7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

Mount Hermon Church-wide

Coffee Fellowship

Each Sunday morning 9:15

"Serving the Church"
schedule

May—Children/Youth

June—Baptist Men/Women

We would like to welcome the Autism Support Group that is meeting at Mount Hermon monthly. We are honored to be a support to your community.

Mount Hermon Baptist Church



sprout



grow



bearfruit

May 2019

Pastor's Pen

Eyes to See

Have you ever gone searching for your glasses only to find them on your head? Or gone searching for your keys only to find them in the door? Or your cell phone only to find it charging on your nightstand, exactly where it is supposed to be? Or worse yet, to be told that your wallet is on the counter, and when you look, you cannot even see it though it is sitting right there on the counter??? It can be embarrassing to have that happen to you even knowing that it happens to everyone at some time in our lives.

This very thing even happened to the authors of Scripture and the apostles of Jesus Christ. The Resurrection of the Messiah, hinted at throughout the Old Testament, was not really a surprise for those with the eyes to see. Abraham knew that God could and would raise the dead (Hebrews 11:19). God, in a powerful vision to Ezekiel, promised that salvation for all God's people would come through resurrection (Ezekiel 37). Furthermore, the Messiah was described as one who would suffer for the people yet reign in glory, beginning in Genesis 3:15 and in through the prophets. Yet few had eyes to see. Even "the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of the Messiah and the glories that would follow." (1 Peter 1:10-11)

Jesus, in as much as he spoke in parables, was as clear and direct with his disciples on the matter of his death and resurrection, "that he must be killed and after three days rise again." (Mark 8:31) And yet even being told the "what" and the "when," the disciples had trouble seeing. We, however, should not be too harsh toward his first disciples. We may not have fared much better if the mystery of the Messiah had not been revealed to us. We can now more fully celebrate, as Paul put it,

the message I proclaim about Jesus Christ, in keeping with the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past, but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God." (Romans 16:25-26)

As we celebrate this Easter Season the mystery of Christ revealed to us, may we humbly pray that all may have the eyes to see our Messiah and that the eyes of our hearts may be evermore enlightened by his Spirit (Ephesians 1:18).

In Christ, Pastor Rich

Schedule for May 2019

05/05

The Consequences of Resurrection: Forever Making Intercession

Hebrews 7:11-28

05/12

The Consequences of Resurrection: An Eternal Family

Hebrews 2

05/19

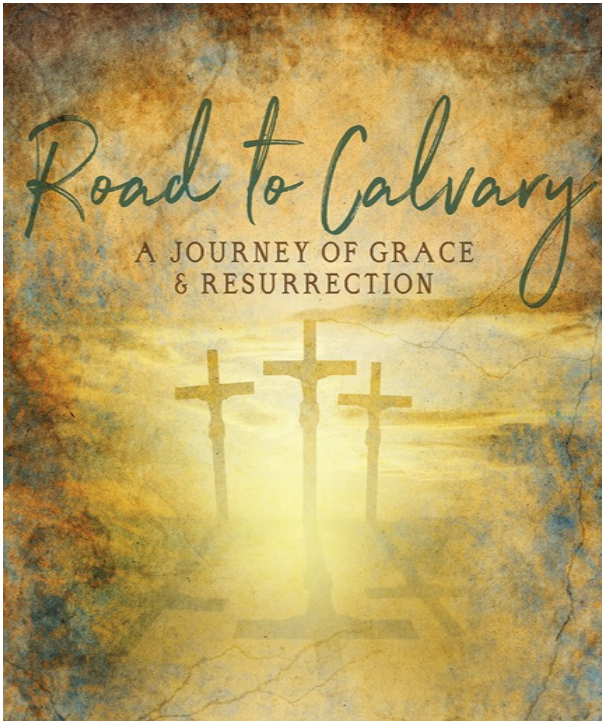
The Consequences of Resurrection: The Flowers and the Trees

Romans 8:18-23

05/26

Guest Speaker—TBD

♪ Music Notes ♪



Reflections from Easter Sunday:

*There is a Truth older than the ages,
There is a promise of things yet to come.
There is One born for our salvation – Jesus.*

*There is a Light that overwhelms the darkness,
There is a Kingdom that forever reigns.
There is freedom from the chains that bind us –
Jesus.*

*There is a Name I call in times of trouble,
There is a Song that comforts in the night.
There is a Voice that calms the storm that rages.
He is Jesus.*

*You walk on the waters, You speak to the sea,
You stand in the fire beside me.
You roar like a lion, You bled as the Lamb.
You carry my healing in Your hands – Jesus.*

Thank you, Father, for our salvation through Your Son,
Jesus Christ. We praise You for all You've done for us.

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Discipleship

Believe it or not, spring is here. Yellow is no longer the color of my car, the blooms on the flowers are gorgeous and the grass is so green! Guess this is all a result of ALL that rain I complained about all winter. God sure does know what He's doing.

It was such a privilege to sing with the choir this Easter Sunday and I hope the message of Easter touched your heart as much as it did mine. The first song we sang "Your Love Awakens Me" especially spoke to me because His love is greater and stronger and should awaken us if we are spending time with Him and recognizing His presence in our lives. We're alive cause He's alive. Do you get it? If it weren't for Jesus sacrifice and death on the cross and His resurrection, we would be condemned to death for eternity. This life would be it. But because of His great love for us He suffered overwhelming pain so that we can live eternally with Him.

God had a plan from the very begin of time when He created everything and everyone. He knew the choices we'd make, the paths we'd choose and how we'd live our lives. As we continue to celebrate the Easter season, my prayer for you is that you will allow the Holy Spirit to Awaken you with a fresh excitement about your spiritual life, that you will read His Word with new incite and passion and that you will look for ways to serve Him that may be outside your comfort zone. Only when we stretch can we grow.

Just remember that regardless of what's going on in your life, He's got your back because He truly does know what He's doing. Jesus resurrection is proof. To God be the glory, great things He has done!

Cookie

Outreach Great Easter Sunday at Mount Hermon. Started with sunrise service, breakfast, bible study, worship with a special music celebration, lunch and Easter Egg hunt for children. He is Risen indeed!



Stewardship

2019	March	Year-to-Date
Total Expenditures	\$ 13,788.70	\$ 46,851.70
Total Income	\$ 16,441.00	\$ 44,447.29
Difference	\$ 2,652.30	\$ (2,652.40)

Property Renovation Phase Fund—March 2019

Beginning Balance \$7,850.72

Ending Balance \$8,740.72

Children/Youth Team

Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all." He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me." Mark 9:35-37

Before this passage in Mark 9, Jesus had predicted his death and resurrection to his disciples a second time. As Christians, in this season of Easter, we understand how much of a "big deal" this is, it's the biggest deal of all. Following this prediction of Jesus' death and resurrection his disciples spend their time arguing about which of them is the greatest. They missed the point. They had the most important thing right in front of them and instead looked over that thing to something so trivial. Let's be honest with ourselves, we sometimes miss the point too. The children of the church are not our future, they are our here and now. They are dependent on our support, our guidance, our teaching, and on our presence. On the one hand, they cannot return or help us in the same ways we help them. Then, on the other hand, they often give to us the most important lessons of all.

To the Christian, set an example for those around you in how you move through the world. Serve with joy. Take time for the little things. Be welcoming. To the children, you are welcome here. We're sorry if we sometimes miss the point. It's Jesus, and leading you closer to him is part of our calling as Christians.

"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says." James 1:22

Shaina

2019 Camp Dates:

Passport Camp (7th grade-up) July 8-13

Passport Kids (3rd-6th grade) July 20-23

Camp Cheerio October 18-20

Those Needing Our Prayers...

Bonnie Andrews	Bob Frederick	Larry Melton
Pastor Bill Bigger	Jeff Gallimore	Joan Page
Sadie Bolden	Frank Gibson	Peggy Parker
Billie Cassidy	Mary Ellen Godwin	Betty Jane Poole
Bill Clayton	Bill Griffin	Patricia Rigsbee
Rachel Clayton	Pam Hartstfield	Johnny Riley
Bobby Couch	Kay Johnson	Justin Riley
Danny Dennis	Elsie King	Ridge Riley
Bill Dorrity	Edith Lee	Sheila Seawell
Betty Fera	Emma Lee	Jean Willingham
Joe Ferettino		Jay Wilson

OUR SHUT-INS AND HOSPITALIZED

Willow Creek Rehab, Goldsboro - Joyce Frederick

The Oaks of Alamance - Bob Link (Room 108)

At home on Hospice Care - Jo Paschall

Carver Living Center - Jean Taylor (Room 304)

PRAY FOR:

The lives lost, those injured and people affected by the Durham explosion

The victims and families of the recent violence in Sri Lanka, the Synagogue shooting in California and at UNC-Charlotte

The family of Holmes Adair,

Holmes went home to his Lord and Savior April 18th

The family of Sarah Harmon (friend of Janice Thompson),

Sarah went home to her Lord and Savior April 20th

The Children and the Children's Ministry

The Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry

President Donald Trump

North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper

Unity for our Country

AROUND THE WORLD

Syria, and Ukraine,

The Syrian Refugees

Farik Alenov, missionary to Turkey

Tanya Pivovarov, missionary to Italy

Mandy and Brian Davis, missionaries to Thailand

Roger and Vicki Grossmann, missionaries to Guatemala

Andrew and Rachel Sutton, missionaries to Uganda

Ashley Laubach, missionaries to Ireland



This year's Easter Mission Offering will be donated to the Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry.

Church Goal: \$800.00

Raised as of 4/28: \$790.00

Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry exists to provide and promote spiritual comfort and growth to the men assigned to Orange Correctional Center through services rendered by a full-time funded chaplain. Further, the ministry strives to better prepare OCC residents with skills, abilities and motivation to successfully reintegrate into their communities and families upon release.

OCC ITEM OF THE MONTH

Soap

OCIM FOOD OF THE MONTH

Jelly and Mayonnaise

Pastor:
Secretary:
Music Leader:

Rich Goodier
Peggy Mason
Janice Thompson

Church Office

Hours: Monday–Friday 9 am–11:30 am
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Email: mounthermondurham@gmail.com
Pastor Rich's Email: pastor.richgoodier@gmail.com

Please keep church office informed of change of address.
Also, if you no longer wish to receive the monthly newsletter,
please contact the office by phone or email.

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Birthdays & Anniversaries

MAY BIRTHDAYS

05/04 Terri Anne Darby 05/07 Stacy Lee

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

05/08 Jim & Kim Baughman
05/10 David & Lisa Parrott
05/17 Dan & Ethel Vogel
05/18 Gary & Katrina Paschall
05/25 Jason & Holli Wallace

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

06/07 Steve Couch 06/22 Cindy Dorrity
06/10 Kim Baughman 06/25 Morgan Mayse
06/15 Kyle Blankenship 06/27 Ronda Barton

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

06/02 Todd & Wendy Riley
06/14 Dwayne & Angela Breeze
06/15 Roger & Ann Brooks
06/28 Larry & Lois Melton

**Yates Baptist Church Association
Senior Adult Luncheon**

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 12:00 Noon
Catered Luncheon Cost \$7.00

Menu

Country Style Steak
Fried Chicken
Green Beans
Red Potatoes
Rolls, Drinks & Dessert

Rose of Sharon Baptist Church
4109 Guess Rd, Durham, NC 27712

Sign-up Sheet in Church Hallway
We will carpool from Mount Hermon at 11:00am.
Contact John Frederick for more information.

OCC Training

If you would like to help with the Orange County
Correctional Ministry at Mount Hermon there will be a
training session on May 22nd, 6:00-9:00 pm at the
Correction Center, for all adults that would like to
know about what you can do.

For more information contact Steve Paschall



NURSERY WORKERS

05/05 Judy Hanson/Ruby Clements
05/12 Robin Winfrey/TBD
05/19 TBD
05/26 Gisela Mayse/Peggy Mason

We are looking for kind, caring, and flexible nursery
volunteers to help with our littlest ones during the
worship service on a rotating bases. If you are interested,
see Shaina Riley to sign up.

MAY DEACON MINISTRY

Assisting the Pastor: Shaina Riley/Robbe Riley
Assisting the Treasurer: David Lewis/Vic Davis



**Memorials received in Loving
Memory of Holmes Adair by:**

Beverly Wagner & Cheshire Cole
The Hartman's
Peggy Mason ~ Edna Berry
The Hudson Sunday School Class

2019 Graduates!! Are you a member graduating or with a child/grandchild graduating from High School, College or a
Higher Learning Institution? If so, please contact the church office at 919-383-2982. We would like to recognize all
our graduates in a special service on June 2nd.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. 1 Chronicles 16:24