

# Catawba Baptist



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## March 2018

### Marching Toward Easter

Two of the most important events in Christianity are the birth of Jesus and His death and resurrection. We celebrate Jesus' birth at Christmas. He was predicted by the prophets, born of a virgin, announced by angels, and worshiped by shepherds and wise men. For two thousand years His birth has been celebrated by millions.

Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection is preached throughout the year but primarily celebrated on Easter, which will be on April 1 this year, a great time to invite family and friends and others to worship with us at Catawba. The cross is central to the gospel, the good news about Jesus. In Jn. 1:29 when John the Baptist saw Jesus approaching he said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" In Jn. 3:14-17, Jesus was referring to the cross when He said to Nicodemus, "as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up .... For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved." Several times Jesus predicted that He would suffer and die and rise again the third day.

Paul's perspective was that the fact of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection was central to the gospel (1 Cor. 15:1-5). "Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved .... For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. The fact that He died was shown by His burial and the fact that He rose again by His appearance to many.

The Roman Road presentation of the gospel says it well:

- Rom. 3:23 "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."
- Rom. 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."
- Rom. 5:8 "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."
- Rom. 10:9-10 "That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Jesus died on the cross to pay the penalty for our sins. If we turn from our sin and trust Him as our Savior, we have everlasting life. Because of Jesus' resurrection, we can walk in newness of life (Rom. 6:4). No wonder Paul said in Rom. 1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes." We should not hesitate to share the gospel and invite many to celebrate the death and resurrection of Christ on April 1. — Pastor Ron

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## Weekly Events

### Sunday

- 8:00 Men's Prayer Time
- 9:15 Sunday School Life Groups
- 10:30 Morning Worship
- 6:00 Pastor's Bible Study & Bible Study Electives;  
RAs, GAs, & Mission Friends (Birth-Grade 5); Youth; & College Age

### Monday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions
- 7:00 C.A.R.E.

### Tuesday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions
- 9:30 Staff Meeting

### Wednesday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions
- 12:30 Praying for Our Nation
- 6:15 Catawba Kids JAM & Youth
- 6:30 Bible Study and Prayer
- Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies on First & Third Wednesday*
- 7:30 Celebration Choir

### Thursday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions
- 6:30 Unchained Rehearsal

### Friday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions

### March Special Events

- 11 10:30 Mark Palmer/  
speaker
- 12:00 Youth Fundraiser  
BBQ Dinner
- 4:30 Property & Space  
Meeting
- 18 4:30 Church Council
- 25 4:30 Deacon Meeting
- 30 Church Office  
Closed/Good  
Friday

### CARE for March

- 7:00 C Team March 5
- 7:00 A Team March 12
- 7:00 R Team March 19
- 7:00 E Team March 26
- 1:00 Senior Adult March 19

## THANK YOU



From the family of Joseph (Joey) C Hilton V,

We would like to thank our church family for all your prayers, visits, calls, encouraging cards, gifts of hospitality, and comforting presence during this time of grieving the loss of Joey, our son and Renee's dad. Your outpouring of love strengthens our heart during this difficult time.

In Christ's Love,  
Debbie & Ray Wieland, Renee Hilton, and family

## Mission Opportunity

One of the greatest ministries of Catawba Baptist Church is feeding members of a family that have a death. Our Women On Missions groups have always taken care of this ministry but we would love to open it up to any lady (or man) in our Church that would like to help provide a dish for a meal. It would be on a rotation basis. If interested or need more information, please call Linda Dyson 329-2211 or Brenda Palmer 329-4511.

## Youth Group

### Catawba Student Ministry sponsored BBQ Dinner

- BBQ prepared by Big Ron
- Sunday, March 11 at 12:00 p.m. in the Gym
- Tickets: \$8 per plate on sale just outside worship center.
- All earnings will support Youth Summer Trips
- Thank you for supporting the ministry to students.

### Spring Sports

#### Baseball and Cheerleading

- Catawba Sports Ministry
- Registration Open Now
- Ages 3+
- Go to [www.catawbabaptist.com](http://www.catawbabaptist.com) and click on Sports, or pick up a registration form in the Foyer

### SummerSalt

- A life changing week of worship, Bible study, fun and excitement for all students!
- June 11-15
- Location: White Oak Conference Center, Winnsboro, SC
- Cost: \$180 per student (siblings \$90)
- Registration: Student must be registered with Jeromy by March 25 with non-refundable \$50 deposit.
- Final balance due May 20

### Nova Scotia Mission

- Mark Palmer and family will be joining us on March 7 and 11.
- We have a partnership with this missionary family in Nova Scotia.
- Janet will speak to the ladies on Wednesday, the 7th while Mark speaks with the men.
- Mark will be speaking in the morning service on the 11th. Please make plans to support this family with your attendance and a love offering that will be taken on the 11th.

## Music & Senior Adult

Homebound Member for March

Harold Smith

Brookdale Spring Arbor

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