

April 2026 **He is not here, for He is risen, as He said. Matthew 28:6a**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Happy Anniversary Garry & Paula Mickey	2 Women on Mission 10 AM Mausdy Thursday Services 6:30 PM	3 Good Friday	4 Happy Anniversary Walt & Estelle Browder
We will be collecting for the Food Roundup for Baptist Children's Homes this month. You may donate money, gift cards, or the items listed on the tote in the Narthex. Please give generously.						
5 Easter He is risen! Sunrise Svc 8 AM Breakfast 9 AM Worship Svc 10 AM	6 Happy Birthday Brauton Dixon	7 Happy Birthday Angie Kolibabek	8 Budget & Finance Mtg. 5:30 PM	9 Happy Birthday Ryan Kolibabek	10	11
12 Dawson Road will be singing during the Morning Worship Service	13	14	15 Tax Day (Taxes Due) Salad Bar 5:30 PM Business Mtg 6:30 PM	16 Happy Birthday Garry Mickey	17	18
19	20	21	22 Administrative Professionals	23 Happy Birthday Michael Waters	24 Arbor Day	25
26 Singing at Ridgewood 2 PM	27 Happy Birthday Linda Lewis	28	29 Happy Anniversary David & Kristy Ambrose	30		



THE SECOND LOOK

Open my eyes, that I may see wondrous things from Your law. Psalm 119:18 **April 2026**
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"A HOME FOR YOUR FAMILY...A HEART FOR YOUR WORLD"

WITHOUT THE RESURRECTION

At the heart of Christianity lies a single, non-negotiable claim: that Jesus Christ rose from the dead! Remove the resurrection, and our entire faith collapses! It is not a secondary doctrine or symbolic idea—it is the very foundation upon which everything else stands.

Without the resurrection, Jesus is just another teacher! If Jesus did not rise from the dead, then He is no different from other moral teachers in history. His teachings on love, forgiveness, and humility may still be admirable, but they carry no divine authority. What makes Jesus unique is not only what He said, but what He claimed—that He was God and had authority over sin and death. The resurrection is the validation of those claims. Without it, His words lose their ultimate credibility.

Without the resurrection, the cross loses its meaning! Christianity teaches that Jesus' death on the cross was a sacrifice for sin. But if He remained dead, there is no proof that the sacrifice was accepted or effective. The resurrection is what transforms the crucifixion from a tragic execution into a victorious act of redemption. Without it, the cross becomes a symbol of defeat, not salvation.

Without the resurrection, sin and death still win! The central human problem is sin—and its consequence, death. The resurrection is presented as the decisive victory over both, but if there's no resurrection, then death remains undefeated. Sin remains unresolved. The Christian message of hope becomes empty, offering no real solution to mankind's greatest dilemma.

Without the resurrection, faith becomes futile! The Christian faith is not merely belief in ethical principles; it is trust in a living Savior. If Jesus did not rise, then Christians are placing their faith in someone who is dead. This reduces faith to wishful thinking or tradition, rather than a response to a living reality. It becomes emotionally comforting perhaps, but ultimately powerless.

Without the resurrection, the promise of eternal life disappears! A core promise of the Christian faith is life beyond death. This promise is grounded in the resurrection—Jesus is seen as the "firstfruits," and guarantees that all who receive Him as Lord will also live forever! Without His resurrection, there is no basis for believing in eternal life. Death would be the final word, and Christianity would offer no more hope than any other worldview that ends at the grave.

The early Christian movement was built entirely on the proclamation that Jesus had risen. This was the message that inspired courage, rapid growth, and even sacrifice. If the resurrection did not happen, then the church's central message is false. Its mission loses purpose, and its existence becomes difficult to justify beyond cultural or social reasons. The resurrection is not just one part of Christianity—it is THE part that makes every other part meaningful! Without it, Jesus is not Lord, the cross has no saving power, sin and death remain undefeated, faith is empty, and the hope of eternal life vanishes! In that case, Christianity is not just weakened—it is rendered pointless! But if the resurrection is true, AND IT IS, then it changes everything. It validates who Jesus is, secures our salvation, and offers life eternal to all who will believe!

Pastor Kevin Woolard

APRIL VOLUNTEERS

OPEN/CLOSE

- 4/5 James Lewis
- 4/12 Gene Meekins
- 4/19 D. W. Lane
- 4/26 Robbie Rose

 <p>SOUTH ROANOKE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION</p>	<p><i>Budget & Finance Meeting</i> <i>Wednesday, Apr. 8th</i> <i>5:30 PM</i></p>
<p>SRBA Quarterly Gathering of Churches Monday, April 20, 2026 Riverview Baptist Church, 6228 Clarks Neck Road, Washington, NC Refreshments @ 6 PM, Meeting @ 7 PM</p>	 <p>Dawson Road will be singing during the Morning Worship Service on Sunday, April 12th at 11 AM.</p>
 <p>Women on Mission Meeting Thursday, Apr. 2nd at 10 AM</p>	 <p>Business Meeting Wednesday, Apr. 15th 6:30 PM</p>
	<p>Salad Bar April 15, 2026 5:30 PM Sign Up Sheet in Lobby Hospitality Group #3 will serve at this event.</p>

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Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

April Collection Items
Coloring Books
Please place the items in the tote in the Narthex.



Baptist Children's Homes of NORTH CAROLINA

We will be collecting items for the Food Roundup for Baptist Children's Homes during April. A list of items is on the tote in the Narthex. You may also donate money or gift cards from the stores listed.



Maundy Thursday

We will have a Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, April 2nd @ 6:30 PM to commemorate our Lord's last supper with His disciples.



He is risen. He is risen indeed!

Sunrise Service 8 AM on April 5th
Breakfast 9 AM
Hospitality Group #2 will serve
Worship Service 10 AM



Nursing Home Singing
Sunday, Apr. 26th @ 2:00 PM
Meet at Ridgewood @ 1:45 PM
You'll be blessed!