



Life At The Zoo

I don't know about you, but I'm finding the current national climate a little "troubling". No matter how you feel about things, it's a mess. So, I won't go there. Lets talk about the "entertainment" at my home in the woods.

Here's a rundown. About five years ago I had three cats and was battling ticks by going to the vet for stuff to put on their necks. I didn't like it. It's expensive and not that great for the cats. I rebelled. I heard that guinea hens love to eat ticks, so I had a barn and run built and got six guineas. They have been a little challenging but very successful! No more chemicals.

Several years ago we had a serious snowstorm and one of my cats had a stroke (literally) and had to be put to sleep. That left Lily (age 14) rescued as a baby from Parksley Cemetery and Sampson (age ?) who came through the woods also in another snow storm, very hungry but wouldn't let me touch him for months. Then I found Honey Bunny (age ?) trying to live in my woodshed. Three again...I let the dust settle for a while.

A year and a half ago that changed. I saw all those feral kittens at the church and fed them. Three came home. Flower, Tyger and Maxwell joined my family making six cats. Enough, I said. But last summer there was another batch of kittens and Earl Grey, Charleston and Herald moved home.

I now have nine felines (all neutered) and five guineas. There's no more "room at the inn". You should see feeding time! But, I love them all and wouldn't part with any of them. Thank you Lord for my many blessings!

Here's What's Coming Up:

- ◆ Sundays—Sunday School at 9:45 am.
Worship Service at 11am
- ◆ Wednesdays—Kid's Meetings 6:30pm
- ◆ Thursdays—Ladies Bible Study 10 am
- ◆ March 10th—Daylight Savings Time Begins
- ◆ March 17th—St. Patrick's Day
- ◆ March 18th—Impact Hunger Deliveries Noon-1pm
- ◆ March 19th—Spring Begins
- ◆ March 20th—Quarterly Business Meeting 6:30pm
- ◆ March 24th—Palm Sunday
- ◆ March 29th—Good Friday—7pm Service
- ◆ March 31st—Easter Sunrise Service 6:40am
- ◆ April 13th—Community Fun Day 10am
- ◆ April 15th—Impact Hunger Deliveries Noon-1pm
- ◆ April 22nd—Earth Day-Passover Begins

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| | | | | | 1 Ladies Bible Study 10a | 2 |
| 3 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a | 4 | 5 | 6 Kids Mtg 6:30p | 7 Ladies Bible Study 10a | 8 | 9 |
| 10 Daylight Svgs Begins Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a | 11 | 12 | 13 Kids Mtg 6:30p | 14 Ladies Bible Study 10a | 15 | 16 |
| 17 St Patrick's Day Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a | 18 Impact Hunger Deliveries Noon-1pm | 19 Spring Begins | 20 Quarterly Business Mtg 6:30p | 21 Ladies Bible Study 10a | 22 | 23 |
| 24 Palm Sunday Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a | 25 | 26 | 27 Adult Bible Study & Kid's Mtg 6:30p | 28 Ladies Bible Study 10a | 29 Good Friday Svc 7p | 30 |
| 31 Easter Sunrise Service 6:40a Sunday School 9:45a | | | | | | |

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A Letter From the Pastor

The World Around Us – Romans

I know most of us get tired of the News around us, and the political issues that seem to give us the chills. I wake up every morning wondering what the newest and latest issues are and how to respond. Sometimes I wish there was no internet and face book to entertain our minds that are so captivated by the latest fashion and gossip about even someone you know! I have spent several weeks and probably a few more looking at the Book of Romans. Romans 3:23 “For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.” Do you believe it?

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and to the Greek. ¹⁷ For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, the just shall live by faith. Romans 1:16-17

A beautiful text to encourage all believers, ending with “The just shall live by faith”. Learning the process and understanding God’s word is foremost in our life. This past Sunday we looked at Romans 5, it is a passage sharing God’s promises for those who believe.

- a. Ruin (12-14) by one man SIN entered in the world and with sin death.
- b. Rescue (15-19) our rescue came through a second and far greater Adam. Jesus Christ came and died for our sin, risen in new life, and returned to the father.
- c. Reign of Mankind (20,21) By Christ alone we have been given the opportunity to reign with Christ.

We will continue this series as Easter approaches and spending time looking at Rescue, the Death, and Resurrection of Jesus. Second, we will look at the Reign of mankind with Christ for all eternity.

I hope these thoughts are helpful as we follow Christ in these days of unknowns, remember the command to GO INTO ALL THE WORLD and preach the Gospel. As a Church in the world today, we have the Good News Christ is coming soon.

Notes to Remember:

- I. Easter and the events leading up to Easter Sunday:
 - a. Good Friday serviced will be at Exmore Baptist Church at 7:00 PM with the pastors from the different Churches sharing the last words of Jesus.
 - b. Sunrise service will be at the Church outside weather permitting (Time around 6:40 AM will update as we get closer.)
 - c. Breakfast rolls & light snacks follow.
 - d. Sunday School 9:45 AM.
 - e. Morning Easter Service at 11:00 AM

We look forward to seeing you all at the services.

Looking ahead for this summer. Don Shire will be coming July 14th in concert. Continue to remember our Church and our Shut-ins in your prayers.

Thank you for your prayers,

Pastor

Annual Mission Project

Bridge Network will be collecting items for the Pregnancy Centers on both sides of the Bay. Your help is needed. Items collected on the Eastern Shore will stay here on the Shore and be distributed through the Accomack-Northampton Pregnancy Center.



Here is their Wish List: Please donate baby shampoo, baby wash, baby oil, baby lotion, diaper ointment, wipes, pacifiers, bottles, hooded towels, wash cloths, crib & bassinet sheets, baby socks, burp cloths, receiving blankets, fleece blankets, sleepers of all sizes, onesies of all sizes, and bibs.

Bring your items here to the church or to Exmore Baptist Church by April 18th for delivery to ANPC. Baby Love!

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

ALL CHURCH MEMBERS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

Want to Be Involved in HBC Decisions? Wednesday, March 20th, 6:30pm!

COMMUNITY FUN DAY AT THE CHURCH PLAYGROUND

Saturday, April 13th
10am to 2pm-ish

Bounce House, Games, Face Painting!
Hot Dogs, Cotton Candy,
Beverages & Treats!

We need Your Commitment to Help
To Make this Happen!
See Charlotte Wingfield



Good Friday Service

March 29th - 7pm
At Exmore Baptist Church.
Five local Pastors from the
Eastern Shore will contribute to
the service.



Sunrise Service

Sunday, March 31st
At 6:40am
In Front of the Church.
Light Refreshments will follow
in the Ministry Center.

Easter Worship
Sunday, March 31st at 11 am
After Sunday School

**Celebrate the Gift of the
Risen Savior.**



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Standard Hours of Worship & Meetings

Sunday Morning
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship Service 11:00am

Wednesday Evening
Kids & Youth Meetings 6:30pm