



Ready For Spring!

Have you ever had your roof replaced? It's an "event"! Hopefully, I will never have to do it again! A couple weeks ago we had a really hard long rain overnight. In the morning I discovered a small, but persistent, "waterfall" coming from the soffit over my porch ceiling. It continued for several days! I thought my "lifetime" aluminum shake shingle roof was in need of repair, but in truth...nobody wanted to attempt to work on it. Everyone I called told me that they don't "repair" roofs, but they'd be happy to give me a quote on a new one.

You see, fifteen years ago, when we replaced our previously leaky roof, this lifetime roof was new technology...and we had inadvertently agreed to be the guinea pigs. We found that roof through an article in the Cooperative magazine. Mom liked to read about new things and this was one of them. It was "pricey", but if it was for our lifetimes, we reasoned, it was well worth it. It was rated for 120 mile an hour hurricane winds and fireproof...something to consider when your surrounded by woods.

The shingles came in strips that locked together like fingers. For a while it was fine, but unfortunately buildings flex with the seasons. As long as we had moderate seasonal shifts it seemed to adjust pretty well. But, this year! The freeze and thaw has been frightful! I guess it was just too much.

When the roofing representative came to take a look we went up in the attic (unfinished) and I could pretty easily see that this was not a one time event...You could see evidence of past leaks that just weren't evident on the ground floor. It was clear that this was not a repair incident...total replacement.

Hold on to your hat! Suffice it to say, roofing is expensive and when the old roof came down, the ground was covered with aluminum nails...not magnetic! Each one has to be picked up individually by hand! I'll be doing this for the next year at least!

Be careful if you're driving through my driveway...

Here's What's Coming Up:

- ◆ Sundays—Sunday School at 9:45 am.
Worship Service at 11am
- ◆ Thursdays—Ladies Bible Study 10 am
- ◆ Every Other Saturday—Crafty Bunch 10 am
- ◆ March 8th—Daylight Saving Time Begins
- ◆ March 16th—Impact Hunger Deliveries Noon-1pm
- ◆ March 17th—St. Patrick's Day
- ◆ March 18th—Quarterly Business Meeting
- ◆ March 20th—First Day of Spring
- ◆ March 29th—Palm Sunday & The Lord's Supper
- ◆ April 3rd—Good Friday
- ◆ April 15th—Easter Sunday with Sunrise Service
- ◆ April 20th—Impact Hunger Deliveries Noon-1pm

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1 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	2	3	4	5 Ladies Bible Study 10a	6	7 Crafty Bunch 10a
8 Daylight Saving Time Begins Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	9	10	11	12 Ladies Bible Study 10a	13	14
15 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	16 Impact Hunger Deliveries Noon—1pm	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 Quarterly Business Mtg 6p	19 Ladies Bible Study 10a	20 First Day of Spring	21 Crafty Bunch 10a
22 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	23	24	25	26 Ladies Bible Study 10a	27	28
29 Palm Sunday Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a The Lord's Supper	30	31				

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Note from the Pastor



Finding Rest in God

As I sit down to write this month, I cannot help but notice that winter has lingered a bit longer and felt a little colder than usual. My hopes and prayers are for warmer days ahead. Initially, I intended to write an article focused on rest, but it seems our daily routines have made true rest elusive.

Through reading a book on rest, I am discovering that rest is not just a human need, but something God Himself has ordained and controls. Often, our struggle with resting stems from relying on our own standards rather than trusting in God's design. If we look closely at Scripture, we see that God established the seventh day as a day of rest—a time intended for us to be in His presence and to find comfort in His love, power, and wisdom.

Lessons from the Book of Daniel

The Book of Daniel is commonly known as a book of prophecy, yet our exploration has revealed valuable insights into Christian living and the ways God intervenes to grant victory amid trials and temptations. As we study Daniel, we find several important lessons that guide our faith journey.

Raising Children in the Knowledge of God

One essential lesson is the importance of bringing up our children in the knowledge of God and His power. Daniel and his friends were raised by godly parents, and when they faced captivity, their faith in God remained strong. Their upbringing equipped them to stand firm, even in a foreign land where their beliefs were tested.

Faith is Not Lost by the Traditions of Others

Another key takeaway is that Daniel's friends learned their faith was not diminished by the traditions of others. Instead, their safety and security were found in their unwavering faith in God, the Creator of the earth and the One with a purpose for their lives. Even in the midst of the fiery furnace, they discovered that God's plan for them extended beyond this life and into eternity.

God is the King of Kings

Daniel himself learned that God is the King of kings, and sometimes sharing the whole story is challenging yet crucial. The most important truth is that being a Christian means viewing our lives on earth as a brief rest compared to the eternal plan God has laid out for us.

Living as Christians in a Non-Christian World

The first six chapters of Daniel demonstrate what it means to be a Christian in a non-Christian world. Through the experiences of Daniel and his friends, we see the significance of faith, courage, and trust in God's eternal purpose for our lives.

Oh Nooo! Not Again!

Yes, It's true...once again the Ice Maker got us! Although the carpeting in the Ministry Center has been saved and reinstalled, the Kitchen took a

Gigantic Hit and will be out of commission for some time to come while we find the right professionals to put it back together. Say your prayers and yes...the Ice Maker is History!



Before Cleanup.....



After Cleanup!!!

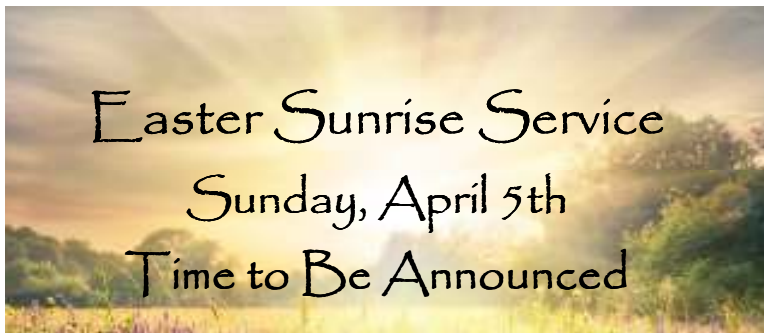




Our Goal for 2026 is \$1,500.00



She helped start the first annual Southern Baptist Easter Offering for North American missions. In 1934, only a few years before her death, the offering was renamed in her honor.



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