

March 27, 2022



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

National Offering Goal: \$70 Million

Our Goal: \$2,000

Many North American cities could reasonably be called pre-Christian. Even in the traditional “Bible Belt” Christianity is being pushed to the margins. In the midst of this, God is bringing the nations to our shores and offering unprecedented opportunities for the gospel.

At the North American Mission Board, we see a mission field that needs the hope of the gospel. With your partnership, we’re committed to taking this hope to cities, small towns and college campuses.

Easter Cards

If you, or your Sunday School class, are interested in sending Easter cards to the 10 Monroe Middle School students who receive backpacks of food each week, please place your cards in the church office by Sunday, April 10th.



The cards may include prayers, Bible verses, or the Gospel. The cards should be written in print and signed with your name.

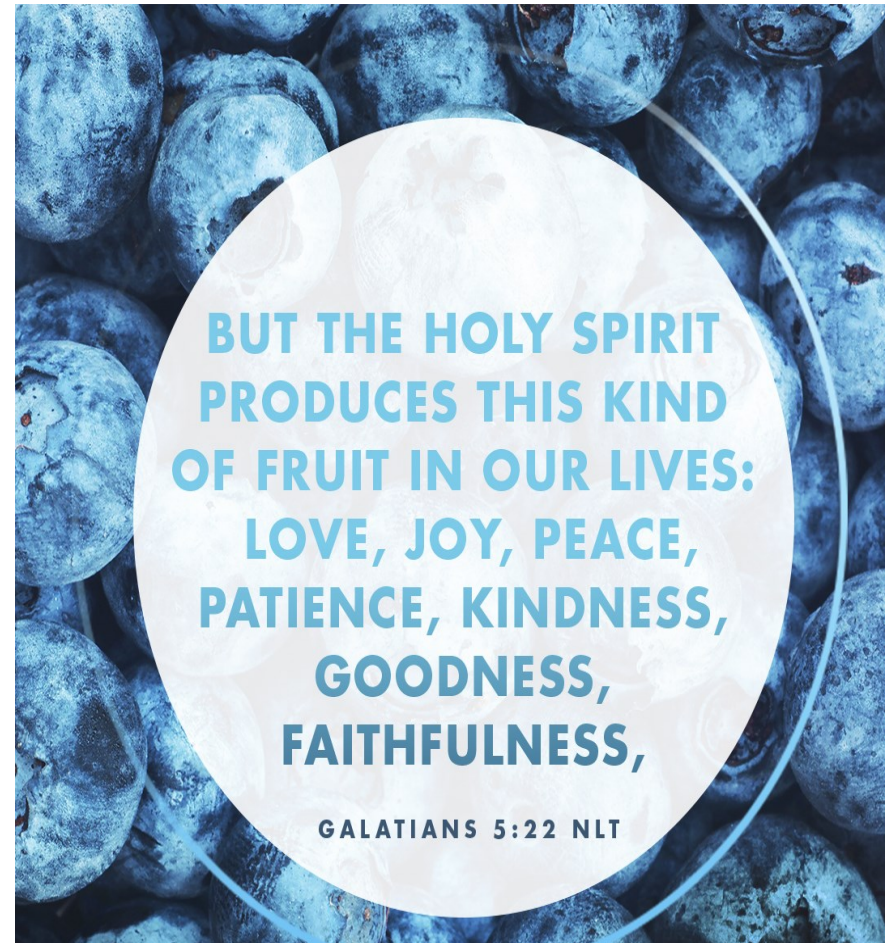
Youth

Weeding around the church sign has been rescheduled for the next Wednesday it isn’t raining! Wear an old pair of shoes & bright colors!



The youth group will decorate the cross with flowers on Wednesday, April 6th.

If you have any flowers that you would like to add to our Easter cross collection, please drop them off in the church office by April 5th.



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Sunday, March 27 2022

A Life of Love (John 15:9-17)

The Point: Remaining in Christ means our relationships are marked by love.

The Bible Meets Life: Some things just can't be done without some level of experience. Imagine trying to bake a cake when you've never seen a cake nor tasted one. Or imagine being told to quarterback a professional football team when you've never watched a game of football. No amount of discipline will get a cake out of your oven if you don't have a concept of cake. No force of will is going to move your team down the field if you don't know what a football is.

In this session, we'll see Jesus' command for us to love. Most people see the value and the virtue of this command, but do we really know what love is? In his book, *Rethink Your Self*, Trevin Wax points out that what people often mean by love is simply the support of others for the version of themselves they have created. He suggests people tend to look for affirmation of the identity they desire, but is that real love?

Jesus wants us to taste and see His love. Only then can we love one another well.

Live It Out: Remember God's love. Put a reminder on your phone for a set time each day this week to stop and remember Jesus' love for you. Block out a little time so you can preach the gospel to yourself and abide in Jesus' love for you and think about how you can love like Him. **Choose a fellow Christian to love.** Think of a fellow Christian you can love in a tangible way this week. Who has a physical need you can help them with? Or who has an emotional need you can speak the love of Christ into? How can you love a fellow disciple sacrificially this week? **Choose someone far from God to love.** Pray for someone in your life who does not know Jesus. Someone who you want to see abide in the love you have experienced. What step can you take to love them toward Christ this week?

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Living Life Connected to Christ

Sunday, April 3 A Life of Persecution
(John 15:18-25; 16:1-4a)

Sunday, April 10 A Life of Victory
(John 16:19-22, 27-33)

BIBLE
STUDIES
FOR LIFE

Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Youth

6:30 PM Online Worship

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Service Attendance

Sunday, March 20

Indoor: 55 Online: 84

Wednesday, March 23

Online Reach: 32 Youth: 10

Yard Sale

Saturday, April 30th

Place any items for
the yard sale in the
old youth room
near the FH.



Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:

\$18,566.08

March Offering

To Date: \$9,317.54



Prayer Requests

Tammy & Richard

Lovingood



If you would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact the church office.

Easter Sunday

Easter is coming up on Sunday, April 17th. Pray for those who you are inviting to share in Easter worship! And, prepare your hearts for communion.



Have You Seen These Items?

- 6-8 small blue chairs from the green preschool room.
- 2 white chairs from the FH.
- White dish towels from the kitchen.

If you are borrowing any of these items, please return them to the church OR let the church office know that you're still using them!

