

# Our Church Family

## At Home

Kevin Avery	Alice Barrett	Russell Ford
Paula McPherson	Billy Shafer	Margaret VanHorn

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## In the Hospital

Billy Shafer	St. Francis Hospital
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## Happy Birthday

March	5	Ben Shepard
	10	Dorothy DeBorde
	13	Kevin Avery

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**The Video Series *Angels* begins March 8.** This eight-week series traces the presence and meaning of angels in God's kingdom from Genesis through Revelations.

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## SUNDAY, MARCH 1

**10:00 a.m. The State of the Church  
Jeremiah 3:1-3**

### FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need .....	\$ 1,736.00
General Receipts February 22 .....	\$ 2,283.00
Special Offerings.....	\$ 0.00

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# Reflections

It started with me on my knees digging around for our old vinyl record collection. Our two younger grandsons are vinyl collectors of more current recording artists. After a few conversations, I invited the boys to lunch followed by the exploration of a back corner in our closet. We pulled the two crates out to peruse them. Stuffed in the front of one was an assortment of wall calendars from 1987-2003. We pulled the calendars out of our way to treasure hunt. Four or five records were worth it. The boys moved the crates back to their spot. When Dorothy came home from work that day, she noticed the pile of calendars on the bed. I told her these were the ones with such great pictures we just had to save them. A few days later when we looked at them, we discovered a few were *What Cats Teach Us Calendars* and others had pictures that looked like our former cats. God is so good to have provided the world with a glorious array of animals. Here are some lessons that cats can teach us:

- Make eye contact if you want something
- Conserve your energy for when it counts
- Climb new heights
- Never underestimate the power of a purr
- Find your place in the sunshine
- Scratch, stretch, and yawn
- Take a leap of faith

Cats, kittens, puppies and dogs always remind us to smile, relax, and enjoy the peaceful times. They need to be looked after, chased after, and cleaned up after. They offer uncritical affection and companionship. They sense how we feel, and understand some of our moods, for they can be moody also. They are good to be around even if they pretend to ignore us. But we must remember each cuddly kitten has razors for claws and mouse traps for teeth. They were born to be wild and daring, skillful and cunning. They are patient when they see an opportunity unfold and quick to seize the moment. Universal pet healthcare is not a thing yet, and they can be gone too quickly. Grieving for a pet is a genuine emotion. The Scriptures reveal that heaven is filled with living creatures of all sorts. Maybe even cats.

Keep healthy. Pray mightily. Enjoy your life today. God is so good. And let's experience the love and power of God together.

Bro. Darryl



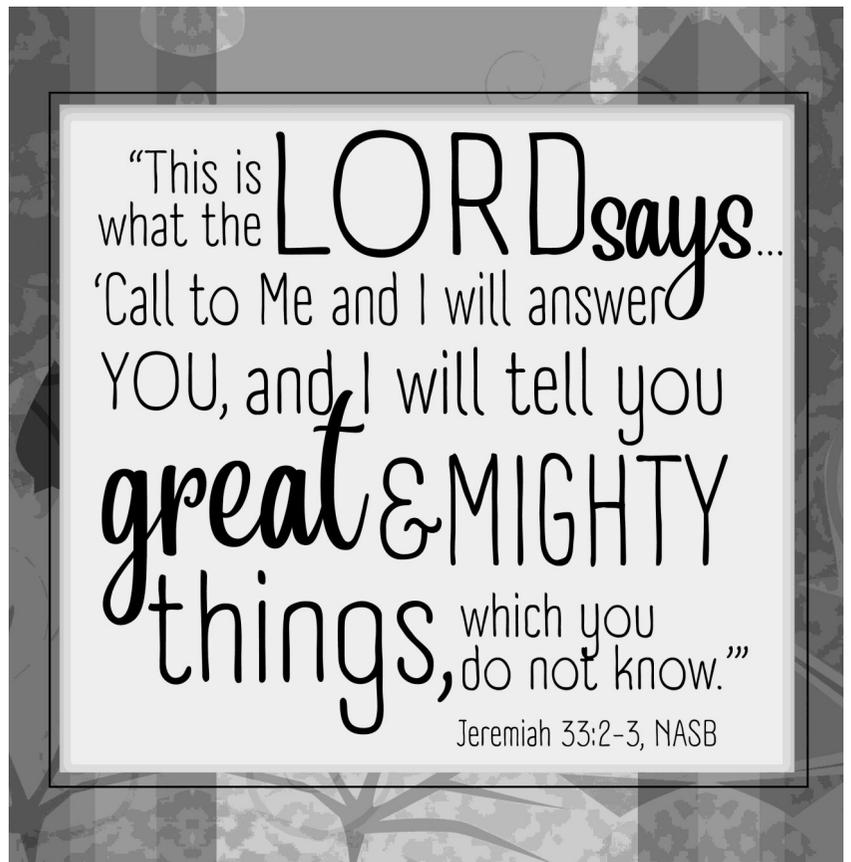
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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

<b>Sunday Morning</b>	
Continental Breakfast	9:20 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.
Bible Study & Conversation	11:15 a.m.
<b>Wednesday Evening</b>	5:00 p.m.
The Clothes Closet Ministry	
Community Dinner	
Prayer Service	6:30 p.m.

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