

BLUE RIDGE

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From My Heart

March brings spring and hopefully some warmer weather (It is cold today!), beautiful trees and plants will bloom, and Easter. This year Easter will come on the first Sunday of April (April 5th), but all of our preparation will take place in March. **Preparation** is a great word. All the things and people that are important to us involve preparation. Just think about it, if you are getting married like Emily Riddle there is a ton of preparation. Remember Ladies, her Bridal Tea is March 15th at 2:00 PM! If you are having a baby like Sydney Woodham (Dave and Amy's daughter) you spend every day getting ready for the big arrival. If you are going to play T-Ball like our grandson Wyatt, there is a uniform and hat to buy and practices to attend.

Easter is no different. The first Easter involved years of preparation. Everything led to the Cross and His Resurrection. Think about it, there was John the Baptist preparing the way, Jesus calling His Disciples, Jesus teaching the crowds, and all the miracles and signs. The last weeks were critical, He raised Lazarus from the dead, healed blind Bartemaus, had lunch with Zacheaus, had His Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem, taught in the Temple, shared the Last Supper, and prayed in the Garden. Each step prepared the people's hearts and prepared Jesus for this ultimate sacrifice and victory over the grave.

Each Easter is no different for us. If we prepare, wonderful things happen and lives are transformed. If we just let it slip up on us then we might get some candy or some new clothes (I always got a new shirt for Easter and an Easter Basket, even in college.), but nothing much else will happen. I love I Peter 3:15, *"But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to*

give the reason for the hope you have. But do this with gentleness and respect." This verse says three things: first, Love Christ with all your heart, second, demonstrate that love by being prepared to share the Good News, and third, when you share the Good News do it with grace and kindness.

If you obey this verse, you will be prepared for Easter and will be richly blessed. Start this Sunday by being in worship. We are going to do a **Who's Your One Campaign** in March (We have done it before.) You will be given a bookmark which has a verse for every day of the month. If you read those verses, you will be ready to share the Gospel. There will also be a card for you to write the name of a person who will be your One, a person who needs Jesus or who needs to be back in church. I hope you will pray for them throughout the month, and God will give you an opportunity to share Jesus with them or to invite them to Blue Ridge to celebrate Easter.

Speaking of sharing the Good News in grace and kindness, nothing says kindness and fun like our **Egg Hop** on Sunday, March 29th. Our Egg Hop is a fun way to tell kids and their families in our neighborhood that Jesus loves them. People who would never go to church will come to the Egg Hop and are always blown away by your kindness. That is why many bring their little ones to VBS and even show up on Sunday. My prayer is that you will be prepared for Easter this year and that you will see the power of God at work.

Jackie and I love you all and are praying for you. We hope to see you on Sunday!

In His Love,

Bro. John

Our Week of Prayer for North American Missions and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is March 8-15.

*"Your Generosity is more than a Gift."
Learn what God is doing in our part of the world and how you can make a difference.*

who's your
ONE?



An Amazing March Comes In at Blue Ridge

- 8 Our March Fellowship Lunch**
- 10 Ladies's Crafts Night Out**
- 15 Bridal Tea honoring Emily Riddle**
- 19 Our Lunch Bunch Trip**
- 22 Youth Fundraiser Lunch**
- 29 Palm Sunday Easter Play**
- 29 Our Annual Easter Egg Hop**



March is a great time to invite your family, friends, and neighbors to church with you and our sweet church family. It's the month with Palm Sunday, our Easter play, our parking Easter Egg Hop where we open our decorated trunks for His children, we have a fellowship lunch with the best cooks around, we have a Crafts Night, we have a Lunch Out Bunch with friends, we have a Sweet Creek Lunch, and everyday love and concern for each other. That's God's love and it covers all ages! We are so blessed to have such a sweet church family made up of God's people He has sent our way. We thank Him for YOU!



**We Celebrated the Baptism of
Grace Campos
And
Shelby Brown**

On February 15, 2026

**The angels in Heaven are celebrating their
decision for Christ with us..**

Thank You, Robert Wynn

**Linda had to be out three weeks in February and
we thank Robert for joining us to play the piano
for our services each week. What a friend!**



Please join us for a

Bridal Tea

honoring

Emily Riddle

**Sunday, March 15, 2026, at 2 o'clock pm
Blue Ridge Baptist Church**

Wetumpka, Alabama

Respond to Jackie at 334-567-4325



Welcome New Members

By Letter:

**Stephen and Tara Brown
110 Harrogate Springs
Wetumpka, Alabama 36093**

By Baptism:

**Shelby Brown
110 Harrogate Springs
Wetumpka, Alabama 36093**



We enjoyed a Great Lunch and Talent Show!

WOW! We had talent participants we did not know had those hidden talents! We had a game show, a Guess Who game, piano special by Shelby Brown, a poem by Tammi Stevenson, a beautiful song by Clarence Mann, a great skit by Donna Chrietzberg and Dee Blake, a poem of love by Amy Brown with an announcement for us all that she and David's daughter Sydney and Brock are expecting a baby next August (it's a BOY!) Ta Da!!! Bro. John emceed and led the game show with Jackie. Our ladies and gentlemen shared their talents in the kitchen added to our Sweet Creek barbeque and hot dog/ sandwich wrap lunch. Their side dishes and desserts were outstanding! Thank you, church family for your generous donations and being there for us. We can't wait for next year!



Thank You Dear Friends

The Church Family here at Blue Ridge wants to thank our special friends around the country who never forget us back at their home church as they share their tithes and offerings. We thank them for remembering us in prayer as well, as we seek to minister to our community and beyond. Thank you to James and Jody Mallonee, Drs. Corey and Marcia Stanley, Harold and Mabel Haddle, Ken Brock, Lt. Col. Don and Emily Roney, Janet Johnson, and Dorris Teague.

Our Palm Sunday Easter Play !



Miracle Sunday

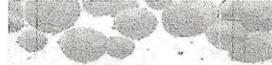
Bro. John will be calling on our Blue Ridge Players to present the Easter story he is writing and finalizing. He always does a good job. Our actors always do as well. The service will begin with our young people and adults who will bring in palm branches in the center aisle.



Please Join Us with Open Trunks and Hearts on Palm Sunday afternoon for our Easter Egg Hop!

We need everybody who will decorate your car or a table behind it to share plastic eggs, Easter candy and prizes with children who will come. You can have a game you bring, or we have plenty of games to share with you. We will have a big slide and lawn games the kids can play from 3-5 pm,

We will have a chicken nugget, hot dog, and sides and desserts supper out front as well. Please sign up to help bring something for the supper.



MARCH Birthdays

- 4 Fay Milton
- 5 Spencer Lott
- 6 Caroline Roney
Eric Aldridge
- 8 Bonnie Ryals
- 29 Mary Ryals
- 30 David Brown

March Children's Ministry



- 1: Tammi Stevenson
- 8: Susan Bass
- 15: Tammi Stevenson
- 22: Jackie Carney
- 29: Volunteer Needed

Renee' Miller and Mary Ryals are great assistants!

Our Blue Ridge Easter Schedule



Mark Your Calendar

- 9:00 am Courtyard Service
- 9:30 am Easter Breakfast

Followed by Bible Study Classes for Everyone

- 11:00 am Easter Celebration Service



Easter Lilies for Our Sanctuary

Please sign below if you would like to place an Easter Lily in the Sanctuary in memory of or in honor of someone special to you. The cost of each one is TBA. You may take them after our Easter morning service.

Your Name: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

How many _____ Amount Enclosed _____

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Egg Hop Sunday, March 29th 3:00-5:00 pm
Fellowship Lunch March 8th
Emily Riddle Bridal Tea Sunday, March 15th 2:00 pm



Join us every Sunday for Worship at 11:00 AM at Blue Ridge or on YouTube!
 Go to our Website www.blueridgebaptistchurch.net and click on the link.

How to Give Online

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Who's Your One?	2 Counting and Lock Up Jim Harris	3 TOPS 5:30 pm	4 Prayer & Share 5:00 pm	5	6 Pray for Your One.	7 Move your clock forward one hour!
8 North American Mission Offering Fellowship Lunch	9 Visitation 7:00 pm	10 TOPS 5:30 pm Ladies Crafts 6:30 pm	11 Prayer & Share 5:00 pm	12 	13 Send an Encouraging text to Your One.	14
15 Emily Riddle Bridal Tea 2:00	16 Visitation 7:00 pm	17 TOPS 5:30 pm	18 Prayer & Share 5:00 pm	19 Lunch Bunch 10:00 am	20 Invite Your One to Blue Ridge.	21 Who will you invite to the Egg Hop March 29th?
22 Youth BBQ Lunch	23 Visitation 7:00 pm	24 TOPS 5:30 pm	25 Prayer & Share 5:00 pm	26	27 Tell Your One about Jesus.	28
29 Easter Play 11:00 Egg Hop 3:00	30					<i>Coming Up</i> Easter Courtyard Service 9am Celebration 11am



Visit us at www.blueridgebaptistchurch.net to see events, pictures, sermons, and a private, secure giving site, all done by our Webmaster, Jim Harris. There are so many pictures to see and information to gather. Thank you, Jim, for an excellent website. It is always up to date!