

**CENTRAL BAPTIST
CHURCH
APRIL 2026**

**DEACONS MEETING
APRIL 12**

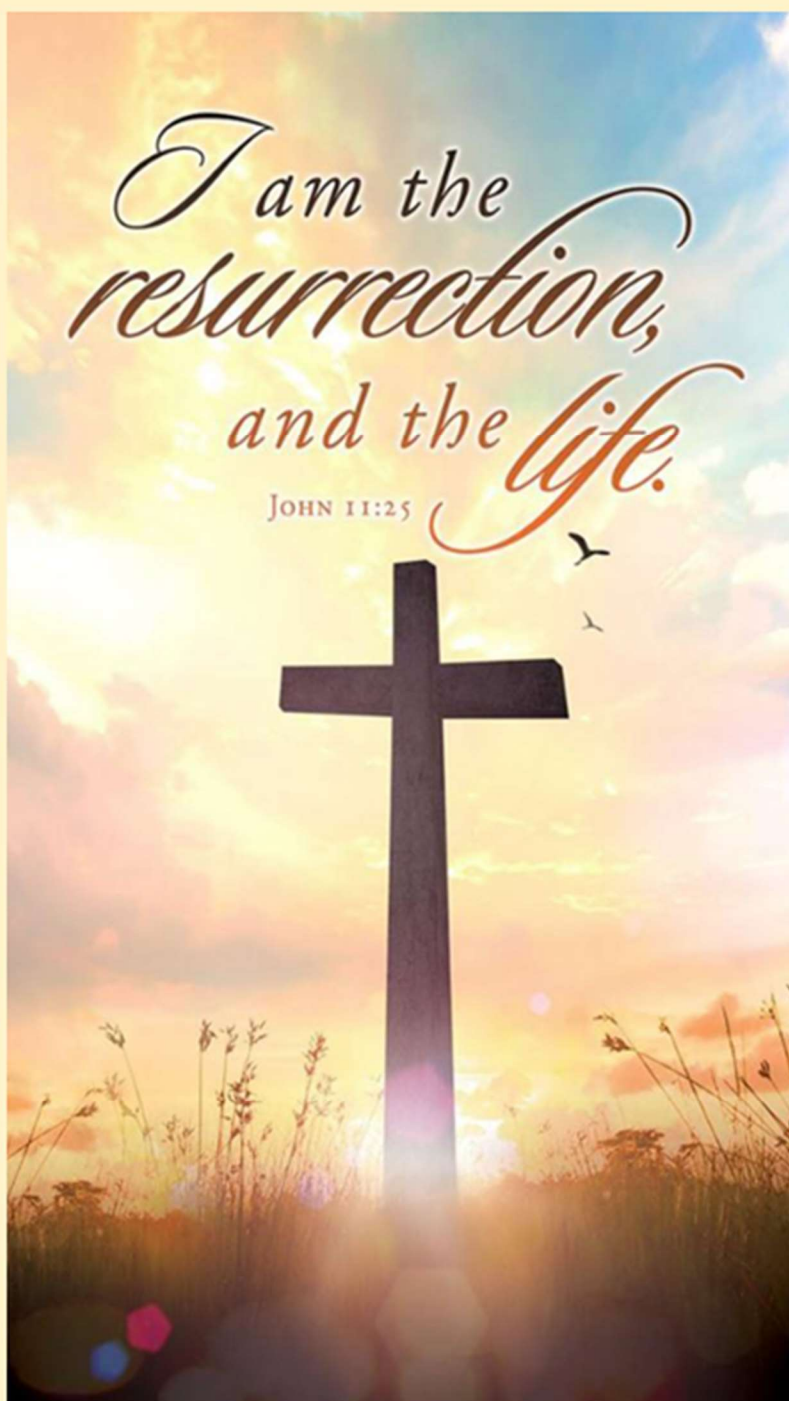


**MERRY MAKERS
APRIL 13**



**MULTI FOCUS
NO MEETING
IN APRIL**

**C'MON MAN
APRIL 21**





CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Seeking God and Serving Others

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PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Timothy Coker

Senior Pastor

Rev. Bryant McRae

Associate Pastor, Discipleship & Children

Mr. Gray Fail

Associate Pastor, Youth & Facilities

Mr. Jason Berry

Interim Worship Leader

Weekly Worship

Sundays:

9:00 am Coffee and Fellowship on Central Avenue

9:30 am Bible Study • classes available for all ages

10:30 am Worship

5:00 pm Sunday Night Fundamentals • The Kid Central Building • kids 2K-5th grade

6:00 pm Junior & Senior High Youth Group Worship & Small Groups • Youth Building (doors open at 5:30 pm); ; Small Groups as scheduled (locations TBA)

Wednesdays:

6:00 pm Junior & Senior High Youth Group Worship & Special Interest Classes • Youth Bldg; Lit'l Lambs and H4 • The Kid Central Building • 2K to 5th grade; Small Groups as scheduled (locations TBA)

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

APRIL 2

6:30 pm



Regina Smeltzer is once again working on dresses for girls in Ethiopia. If you would like to donate toward this ministry and/or you would be willing to help in cutting out patterns, sewing, or other duties, please see Ms. Regina. Thank you to those who have already contributed! Thank you, Ms. Regina, for using your talents for God's glory! We truly are God's People Working Together!



*Brian Schwier
Mike & Jill Rogers*



For the month of April, we are collecting hairbrushes and combs. There will be a collection box in the vestibule for this ministry. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please see Debbie Tripp.





A Quick Look Down the Bunny Trail

“But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love that He had for us, made us alive with Christ even though we were dead in trespasses. You are saved by grace!”

Ephesians 2:4-5

He had messed up Easter, brought darkness to April Valley and completely ruined his reputation...no doubt about it! Yes, Peter Cottontail had missed the contest and had forfeited the right to be called Chief Easter Bunny. If you haven't seen the Arthur Rankin and Jules Bass production of Here Comes Peter Cottontail, you're unfamiliar with the story. Actually, when it comes to the old Claymation shows, I prefer it to all others— including the Christmas specials like Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer and Santa Clause Is Coming to Town. (I added this commentary portion for your children)

The show is based on the book, The Easter Bunny Who Overslept, and tells the story of Peter Cottontail's biggest failure. Peter is so ashamed of his failure that he runs away in disgrace. It is at this point in the show (or book) that he encounters Mr. Sassafras and his wonderful “Yester-morrow mobile”, which takes him back in time, through all the holidays, until he finally wins the egg-delivering contest, restores April Valley and claims his spot as Chief Easter Bunny!

What does that have to do with you? With Us? Absolutely nothing! And absolutely everything! Huh? Let me explain:

First, absolutely nothing: There is no such thing as a “Yester-morrow” Mobile that travels back in time – allowing us to undo our mistakes, rid ourselves of any consequences, remove all regrets and proclaiming us as heroes! Unfortunately, all of us must deal with both the consequences and regrets of our pasts. We Peter Cottontail types must deal with our mistakes and sin, and be regularly reminded of the dark, April Valleys of our lives.

Second, absolutely everything: All of us are a little like Peter! You may not have overslept and missed an Easter Egg contest, but you missed the opportunity to serve the Lord. You might not be just like Peter (who was boastful, self-centered and occasionally fibbed); but you're quasi-boastful, self-centered sometimes, and have told a fib or two in your lifetime (like me). Each of us has the temptation to try and run away from our mistakes; and each of us has discovered the reality— YOU CANNOT ESCAPE YOUR APRIL VALLEYS!

So, what do we do? We travel another trail...not the Bunny Trail but the Trail of the Skull...not the way to Easter Valley but the Way of Suffering (or Via Dolorosa). As we look ahead to the Cross and Easter weekend, let's remember why He did what He did: So that you and I might experience mercy, grace, love and ... EASTER!

FIRST LOOK

INTERESTED IN BECOMING PART OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY?
INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT MORE ABOUT OUR BELIEFS, PRACTICES, AND VALUES?

When: The first Sunday of each month at 5 pm
Where: Conference Room
How: Contact the church office by 10 am on the Wednesday before
Note: If you prefer to speak one-on-one with Pastor Tim, please contact the church office to schedule an appointment.





Please pray for our students as we prepare to go to Summer Salt and Mission Serve. If you are interested in sponsoring a student or students to go on a trip this summer, please contact Gray. We are looking forward to what God will be doing in our students lives at camps this year!!



If you have a student graduating high school or college, we would love to recognize them on Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 17th. Please contact the office if you would like your student to participate.



Sunday Nights: Meet on 12, 19 & 26. No meeting on the 5th—Easter
Wednesday Nights: Meet on 1, 15, 22 & 29. No meeting on the 8th—Spring Break
We plan to meet on Wednesday nights from 6p to 7:15 pm this summer.

Pastor Bryant is making plans for a podcast for children and families as well as increasing ways to have meaningful social media presence for the Children's Ministry.





please join us for a

BRIDAL SHOWER

honoring

Hunter Truluck

Sunday, April 26th, 2026

2:30-4pm

Central Baptist Church

Conference Room

512 Spring Street

Darlington, SC 29532

Registered at theknot.com

**Welcome to the
Ministry Team,
Madison!**

UPCOMING EVENTS

