



Hello Church Family,

You might remember last February we were having some trouble with the roof of the Office/Sunday School building at 4th and Main leaking. The cost of repairing the roof properly was around \$70,000, so we opted to instead patch the roof at a significantly lower cost.

I have good news and bad news in regards to the roof. The bad news is this: while the patches worked for a while, we now have new and bigger leaks. The leaks are causing water damage to other elements of the building and we are at risk of mold growing in the plenum space. We have now reached a point where patching has become inadequate to stop the leaking in the roof.

The good news is that the roofing company has given us a new quote on repairing the roof which is at a significantly discounted rate. The new estimate for fixing the roof is \$44,589. This is something that will need to be done if we are going to continue to use the building at 4th and Main for effective ministry.

While \$44,589 is significantly less than \$70,000, it is still no small sum of money. The only way we would be able to quickly acquire the funds necessary to pay the bill for the roof would be to take on debt. The Trustees and Finance committees are in agreement that taking on more debt at that amount in the current economic climate may not be the wisest decision that we can make.

And so, my brothers and sisters in Christ, I turn to you. In order to repair the roof while also being the best stewards that we can possibly be, we would like to raise an amount of \$30,000 as a down payment before taking on any more debt to cover the cost of the roof. We have until September 1st to raise the money for this down payment. I know that this is no small ask, but it is something that the Trustees and myself believe is absolutely imperative if we want to be able to use the Sunday School rooms for the mission and ministry of the church. If we are unable to fix the roof, we may have to begin discussing alternative ways to continue small group ministry when we return to being able to meet in-person.

If you would like to give to this cause, please send a check and write "Building Repair" in the memo line, or you may give via online giving by making a donation to the "Building Repair/Maintenance" listing.

Thank you all for your support of the church and, more importantly, of God's mission for us in Sand Springs. I hope this message finds you all well during this time of difficulty, and my prayer continues to be that God will surround and sustain us all.

Your brother in Christ,



THANK YOU!

A big THANK YOU to the gentleman Eldin Fisher hired to replace the landscape timbers in front of the church. He went above and beyond and doesn't it look great? If you have not seen it yet, drive by. Better yet, stop by and look at the beautiful details.

TITHES & OFFERINGS...

Mail your checks to SSUMC, 319 N. Main St. in Sand Springs, OK 74063 or give online at: <https://sandspringsumc.org/> Click on the "Giving" link in the top right hand corner and fill out the information and click "Continue."

"The Prayer Box"

Philip Comer, Cynthia Alex, Sylvia Johnson, Ralph Rand, June Brown, Shawn Cole, Martha Scudder, Betty & Linda Lund, Wava Burt, Ralph Ward, Bob Hula, Gordonna Fisher, Jim & Vi McAllister, Barbara McClintock, Montie & Betty Box, Bruce Warren, Maureen Gibson, and Last Week's Prayer Chains & Unspoken Requests

KIDZONE NEWS



He kids!

Even though times are certainly different this summer we hope you're still able to enjoy your summer. We miss seeing everyone more than you know! But we're praying before too much longer we'll be able to be together again. In the meantime, stay safe and well!

We'll leave you with these great kid jokes to try out on your families.

Question: What did the baby corn say to the mama corn?

Answer: Where's pop corn?

Question: What did the science book say to the math book?

Answer: Wow, you've got problems!

Question: Why didn't the orange win the race?

Answer: It ran out of juice!

Doodle

Hey Kids!

Fill in the faces.

Do they look like your friends?

Have Fun!

