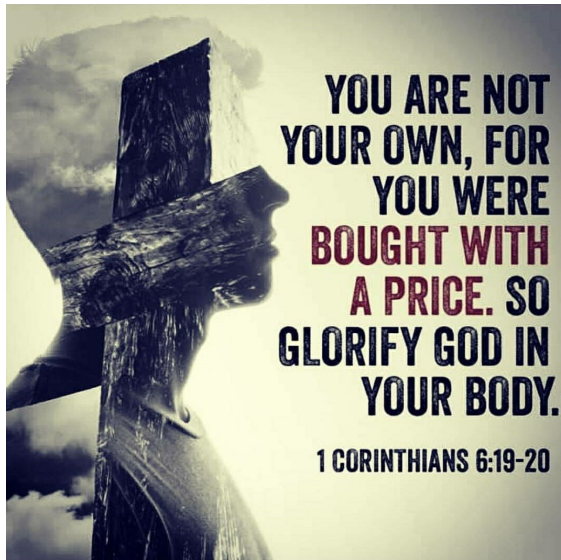


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## **OAKHURST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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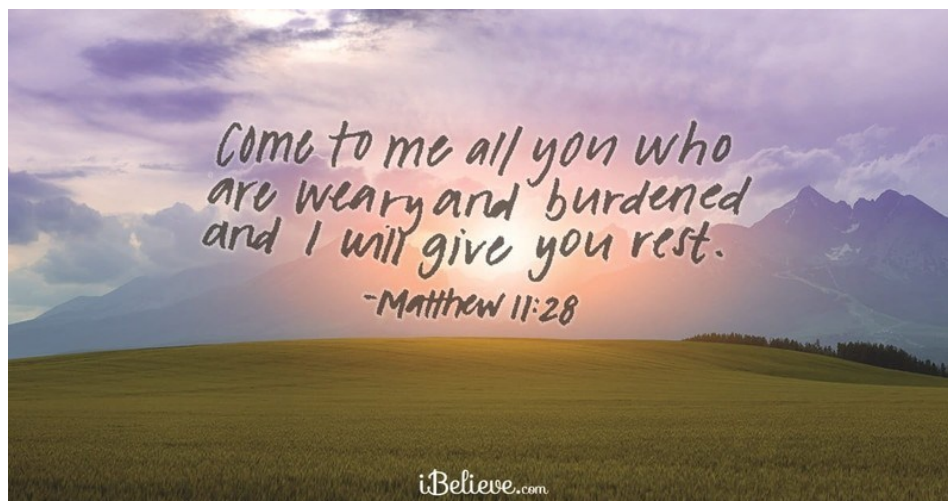


SHARON AND BOB

May You Rest In Peace

Robert "Bob" Root

Passed Away on Saturday, July 9th



# MISSION MOMENTS

You are invited to join us this Sunday for:

The Street Ministry Taste Test

When: Sunday July 17th at 11:00 am

Where: Fellowship Hall

Oakhurst United Methodist Church

Oakhurst United Methodist Church has been serving the homeless and needy in St. Petersburg for over 35 years. Our volunteers cook and serve a nutritious hot meal 3-4 times each month for about 100 people. Over 40 members of our congregation volunteer either shopping, cooking, serving or baking cakes. The food is funded 100% by generous donations. Gifts can be designated in the offering or at [OakhurstUMC.com](http://OakhurstUMC.com)

Drop By at 11:00 am Sunday to taste our fair during Coffee Fellowship.

# THIRD SATURDAY FOOD DRIVE

Saturday, July 16, 2022  
from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
at

Oakhurst UMC  
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If you drive through and pop your trunk we will pull out your donations.

Donations are needed to help local food pantries. Thank You!

## JULY EVENTS AT OAKHURST UMC AND THE COMMUNITY

JULY	HAPPY BIRTHDAY JULY BABIES	
Saturday, July 16 at 9am	Third Saturday Food Drive	
Saturday, July 16	Alpha Day Away	Good Shepard Lutheran Church
Sunday, July 17	Mission Moment—Street Ministry	
Thursday, July 28 at 10:30am	Active Shooter Assailant Training	The Sanctuary
Sunday, July 31	Coffee with The Pastors	at Coffee Fellowship
WEEKLY		
Every Tuesday at 9am	Yoga Class—Intro and Restorative	Fellowship Hall
Every Wednesday at 9am	Coffee in the Community w/ Pastor Nathan and Pastor Phil	at Southie Coffee
Every Wednesday at Noon	Alpha Brown Bag Weekly Series	Fellowship Hall
Every Thursday at 1:30pm	Yoga Class—Chair Yoga	Fellowship Hall
Every Saturday at 10am. Except the last Saturday of the Month	Kathy's Art Class	Fellowship Hall
SAVE THE DATE		
Saturday, August 6 at 10:30am	Oakhurst United Women in Faith Luncheon Program  Guest Speaker: Patricia Lorenz	The Foundry
Dates/Events are Subject to Change without Notice		

July 13, 2022

Dear Oakhurst UMC,

Over the past several months, we have made mention in our worship services that the Thrift Shoppe space will be transitioning towards becoming a Foster Closet under the leadership of the United Women in Faith. Three weeks ago, a closeout sale happened to help clean out the Thrift Shoppe of all the items that won't be carried by the new Foster Closet moving forward. A lot went in to that sale and a lot has gone in to that space since the sale to help this transition happen.

Before we prepare the new Foster Closet for launch, I wanted to write this letter to you to share some of the history of the Thrift Shoppe and express our congregation's gratitude for those who helped make this valuable ministry happen.

The Thrift Shoppe was set up in 2008 by Barbara Talbot. For much of the history of the Thrift Shoppe, one person at a time has taken on the responsibility for coordinating the staffing, receiving and sorting the donations, and organizing the space. Often this person drew on their connections in the congregation and community to recruit volunteers to assist in these efforts. Others after Barbara Talbot who took on the task of being the point person in charge of the Thrift Shoppe included Jane Blain, Doris Branch, and Billie Lee Norman. Our great thanks go to these wonderful women who helped make the Oakhurst Thrift Shoppe a possibility.

Most of the items carried by the Thrift Shoppe were donated by members and friends of Oakhurst over the years. These items would be cleaned up, sometimes repurposed, and find new homes after being sold at low cost (usually \$2-\$3). And yet, despite the sales price of most items, the Thrift Shoppe raised over \$34,200 over the years and returned much of that to the church for special projects in our times of need. Projects supported by this income have included: purchasing a new computer during Covid to aid in development of our online worship services, contributing towards new A/C purchases, helping to renovate the Fellowship Hall flooring, purchase of the new church truck, supporting the work of the NOMADS, and other valuable items and projects that have enhanced our mission and ministry over the years. The Thrift Shoppe has been a blessing to Oakhurst UMC for 14 years.

As we prepare to make this transition from Thrift Shoppe to Foster Closet in the coming weeks, we want to pause this Sunday to recognize all of you who have volunteered your time, your talent, and your energy to support the Thrift Shoppe. We will have special moments of recognition at both services and we hope to share our great thanks with you at that time. While we look forward to the way in which our congregation will be able to provide for children and families in moments of crisis and need in our community, we gratefully acknowledge the care and ministry that has happened over the last nearly decade and a half in this Thrift Shoppe space.

In Christ,

Pastor Nathan



# ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING

You Are Invited

Active Shooter Assailant Training

Thursday, July 28 at 10:30 a.m.

Oakhurst UMC will be hosting an Active Shooter and Assailant Training led by the St. Petersburg Police Department in our Sanctuary, Thursday, July 28 at 10:30 a.m.

A light lunch will be provided after the training in the Fellowship Hall.

Please call the church office at 727-391-4769 or email Lety at [officemgr@oakhurstumc.com](mailto:officemgr@oakhurstumc.com) to let us know if you'll be attending.



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## RIDDLE ME THIS

**You see a boat filled with people, yet there isn't a single person on board. How?**

*Answer: All the people on the boat are married.*

**Two fathers and two sons are in a car, yet there are only three people in the car. How?**

*Answer: They are grandfather, father, and son.*

**The person who made it doesn't need it. The person who bought it doesn't want it. The person who needs it doesn't know it. What is it?**

*Answer: A coffin.*

**A bus driver goes the wrong way down a one-way street. He passes the cops, but they don't stop him. Why?**

*Answer: He was walking.*

**If you are running a race and pass the person in second, then what place are you in?**

*Answer: Second place.*

**A mother and father have four daughters, and each daughter has one brother. How many people are in the family?**

*Answer: Seven.*

**A cowboy rides into town on Friday. He stays three days, then rides out of town on Friday. How?**

*Answer: His horse is named Friday.*

**What common English verb becomes its own past tense by rearranging its letters?**

*Answer: Eat.*

**What is one thing that all people, regardless of their politics or religion, have to agree is between heaven and earth?**

*Answer: The word "and."*



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