How to Prepare Your Church Building for an Extended Period of Inactivity

‘Shelter in place’ orders mean that churches are sitting empty, which can take a toll on their buildings and facilities. Here are some tips on what you can do:

1. Shut off your main water supply.
2. Shut off or turn down your water heater.
3. Adjust your furnace/air-conditioner.
4. Turn on ceiling fans in the sanctuary.
5. Check your sump pumps.
6. Fill floor drains.
7. Check gutters, downspouts, and yard inlets for debris.
8. Check gas appliances.
9. Let your alarm companies know that your building will be empty.

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