

# THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Romans 15:7

May 24, 2020

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# welcome!

Let me begin by saying that I hope nothing happens between the time I write this and Sunday morning that keeps us from reconvening as a community. I very much am ready to put this chaos and uncertainty behind us, but at the same time want to be conscious of our need to be safe and protective of others, both physically and emotionally.

One phrase that is repeated so often is “I can’t wait get back to normal.” I completely understand that desire. So much interruption to our routines have occurred over the last several weeks, that returning to the familiar is a welcome “change”, in the midst of all the change we have experienced.

There are, however, some things that I have either learned or been reminded of, that have led me to hope that some of the “past normal” doesn’t return. Hear me out. I hope the hiatus from gathering together has instilled in us an appreciation for what we so often taken for granted.

Things like a higher awareness of good hygiene, the sheer silliness and selfishness of stocking up on three rental units of toilet paper, greater appreciation that we now have for those on the front lines: the first responders, the medical community, the truck drivers, the grocery stockers & the Door Dash deliverer. Hopefully, we will wash our hands more, share more and encourage more.

The faces of loved ones no longer viewed behind protective glass or on the screen of an electronic device, but actually can now be sensed by touch and not only sight, will lead us to a greater appreciation of the real over the virtual. Hopefully, the habit of staring intently at an image with focused concentration will transfer to the same focused concentration of each other that has previously been missing or taken for granted. Our striving to hear more clearly that which is controlled by adjusting the volume tab, will now cause us to pay more attention to our control of our “listening” tab.

The forced absence of personal interaction and proximity will erase our previous apathy or self-focused approach to life that has led to an isolation that was never mandated by social distancing but our own self-centeredness.

Hopefully, the sympathy, concern and the love that led to drive-by birthday parties, free concerts, donated food, prepared and delivered by strangers, realizing the importance of “connection” so more calls, texts, emails, snail-mails, Marco Polos, Zoom meetings and live-streaming have occurred now more than ever before.

Time and space do not allow me to continue, but I am sure you could add so much more to this list. So I will close with this: I’m so glad to see you and relish living in the “New Normal” with you.

## PRAYER LIST\*

### MEMBERS

- Margie Rhodes
- Drew Meulenberg
- Judy Ressallat
- Bonnie Thompson
- Terry Shaw
- Bonnie Stephens     Maria Reategui
- Maggie Rodriguez     Elvis Durity
- Asbill Family     Marjorie Connor
- David & Della Flagg
- Blake Family     Travis Family
- Carla Sledge     Harty Family
- Sue Macon
- JC Perez's mom, Wilda
- Larry & Di Menoher
- Frieda Rodgers     Donna Strong
- Lee & Linda Sutton
- Warren & Brenda Werntz

### NURSING HOME / SHUT-INS

- June McCauley
- Mildred Freeland
- Lyle Wheeler
- Dolly Blitch
- Wayne & Bonnie Bucy

### FAMILY & FRIENDS

- Jon Sauer
- Laurie & Danny Osborne
- Maddie Whitlock
- Darinda Paul     Elizabeth Cayce
- Joe & Marie Lennon's son
- Mary Ryder
- Jack Dehanas
- Linda Sutton grandson Matt & great granddaughter Jordan
- John Diniro
- Frances Wakeland
- Judy Ressallat's sister
- John Wallace's sister
- George Ballard
- Marsha Hampton     Marco Moros
- John David & Nancy Ottway
- Bob Stafford
- Judy Sauer's granddaughter, Magen
- Christina Soriero
- John Werntz

### MILITARY

Christopher Lemay     Darrell Martin  
 Casandra Prokop     Lee Strong

## Order of Worship

May 24, 2020

<b>Call to Worship:</b>	<b>Zak Dempsey</b>
#63	<i>"I Will Call upon the Lord"</i>
<b>Welcome:</b>	<b>Lyle Asbill</b>
#15	<i>"Step By Step"</i>
Screen	<i>"Highly Exalted"</i>
<b>Prayer:</b>	<b>Ben Gyimah</b>
#797	<i>"Lord We Come before Thee Now"</i>
#179	<i>"Lamb of God"</i>
<b>Communion</b>	
<b>Leader:</b>	<b>Scott Otey</b>
	<b>1 Corinthians 10:15-17</b>
	<b>1 Timothy 6:7-10</b>
#860	<i>"There Is a Habitation"</i>
<b>Message:</b>	<b>Lyle Asbill</b>
<b>Invitation:</b>	
#909	<i>"There's a Fountain Free"</i>
<b>Song As We Enter the Mission Field:</b>	
#869	<i>"We're Marching to Zion"</i>
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	<b>Alan Glazier</b>

We will continue to observe Communion every week. Due to the current health concerns, the communion bread has been placed into individual serving cups. Gluten Free communion is also available upon request. Please see Kathleen.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

25 - Alan Glazier	11 - Richard & Wilma Himelick
25 - William Mitchell	12 - Charlie McCauley
25 - Jack & Rachel Dehanas	14 - Bob & Debby Anderson
28 - John Seay	15 - Katie Darragh
28 - Phil & Tammy Zoltek	16 - Sandra Pell
29 - Joe & Marie Lennon	19 - Danny & Susan Shelly
30 - Maria Reategui	20 - Colby & Pamela Paul
31 - Carlie Darragh	20 - Alana Wriggins
June 2 - Rick & Gina Taft	21 - Linda Robles
3 - Bob & Brenda Stephens	21 - Talor Kelley
4 - Alan & Sheri Glazier	23 - Joe Anderson
4 - Lee & Linda Sutton	24 - John Wallace
9 - June McCauley	24 - David & Marcella Wakeland

**GIVING & ATTENDANCE**  
**WEEK ENDED May 17, 2020**

Weekly Actual	\$7,862
Weekly Budget	<u>8,750</u>
Weekly Variance	\$ <888>
4 Week Average Variance	\$ 1,003
Attendance via views online:	2,363

**PRAYER UPDATES**

- Mildred Freeland, Lyle Wheeler, Darinda Paul, June McCauley, Elvis Durity, Bonnie Thompson, & Scott Blake continue to have health challenges.
- Keep those who have had surgery and those about to have surgery in your prayers.
- Pray for the families affected by COVID-19. This time has taken its toll on everyone physically, financially, emotionally, and spiritually.
- On Sunday, June McCauley was taken to Lee Memorial ER after she tested positive for COVID-19. She was admitted after a second test also came back positive.
- Warren Werntz's brother, John, had a second lung repair surgery on Wednesday. This surgery had better results than the first.
- Carrie Asbill has a severely sprained ankle. She is seeing a surgeon to determine a treatment.

**Live Streaming**

We will continue to live stream our Wednesday night Bible Study at 6:30 PM. So far, over 350 people have watched the study.

For those who are not attending worship in person, please tune in today to the live stream at 10 AM via Facebook. Look for the church logo as the header on the page. If you are having problems with the feed on your computer, try using the Facebook app on your phone.

Our A/V ministry is expanding. See Haris for more information!

**Ladies Class - Via Zoom**

We are continuing our study of "Everything You Need" by Courtney Steed via Zoom on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to participate, please email Carla at: carlasledge@aol.com.

**Communion Supplies**

For those who feel the need to continue social distancing, we will continue to offer communion supplies for pick up. There are a few ways for you to receive communion from us:

1. You may come to the building on Friday from 11:00 AM - 5PM.
2. You may call one of the shepherds to arrange a time.
3. If you are unable to go out, please let us know - we will deliver to you.

**Giving**

Even though we have resumed worshipping together at the building, there will continue to be four ways to make your donation:

- 1 - **Online** through the Givelify app.
- 2 - **Mail** a check to the building - 12760 Livingston Road, 34105
- 3 - **Drop** a check or cash in an envelope (with your name) into the church locked mailbox. It is the middle one out front.
- 4 - **Give** it to the person who brings the communion supplies to you.

**Congratulations Class of 2020!**

Each year during the month of May we highlight our graduating seniors. We have four youth who will be graduating high school. They are Johnny Cipolla, Shawn Mak, Cameron Rimmer, & Ashley Shaw. .

**Profile of a Graduate**

This week we are highlighting Cameron Rimmer. Cameron is graduating from Palmetto Ridge High School. Cameron was in Marching Pride, the school's band where he played the Marching Snare. The band marched in the last presidential inaugural parade. Cameron works for Complete Care Air and will be attending the Florida Academy to study HVAC and become N.A.T.E. Certified. Cameron's favorite Bible verses are Proverbs 3:5 and John 10:11. Of these scriptures Cameron says, "God reminds us what He did for us and how we need to strive to follow His ways because of this." Keeping in tune with his favorite scriptures, Cameron's favorite memory of church is helping people after Hurricane Irma. He helped to load cars with supplies and he says, "seeing the looks on their faces was very heart warming. I love helping others. I can't wait to get back to church and see everyone." He is thankful for all your love and support.

### SHEPHERDS

Terry Billingsby 423-943-8999  
 Barry Brown: 239-777-7248  
 Ben Gyimah: 239-449-6339  
 Claude Haynes: 239-450-0715  
 Tim Osborne 239-293-3259  
 Scott Otey 239-253-9640  
 Hugh Travis 239-450-1445

### STAFF

Lyle Asbill: Minister  
 Kathleen Brown: Office Admin  
 Zak Dempsey: Youth Minister

### DEACONS

Jeff Blake Adult Education  
 Alan Glazier Worship  
 Glenn Macon Youth  
 Larry Menoher Building / Grounds  
 Drew Meulenberg Finance  
 Marc Rimmer Benevolence  
 Tom Wriggins Worship

### MINISTRY LEADERS

Dennis Coleman Visitation  
 Haris Domond Social Media &  
 Advertising  
 George Fetzer Security  
 David Wakeland Involvement

### USA MISSIONS

Roberto Escobar, Sr. [Naples]  
 Christian Home & Bible School  
 Mauricio Yegros [Coral Springs]

### LIVINGSTON ACADEMY

Bailey Murrell Daycare Director

### GHANA MISSIONARIES

Emanuel, Peter, Gideon, Mark, Amos,  
 Anthony, James, Valentine, Evans

### WORSHIP SERVICES

#### SUNDAY

Worship— 10:00 A.M. - 10:40 A.M.  
 Streaming begins at 10:00 A.M.

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study via Facebook —6:30 P.M.

### OFFICE HOURS

Working from home  
 Office hours by appointment only



## SERVICE SCHEDULE

### Today

Song Leader: Zak Dempsey  
 Opening Prayer: Ben Gyimah  
 Scripture Reading: Ben Gyimah  
 Communion:  
 Leader Scott Otey  
 Servers & Ushers: Robert Copeland  
 JC Perez , Cameron Rimmer  
 Glenn Macon , Marc Rimmer  
 Bill Strong, Phil Osborne  
 Closing Prayer: Alan Glazier  
 Nursery: Diane Otey  
 Computer: David Wakeland  
 Sound Booth: Kathleen Brown  
 Media: Haris Domond

### May 31st

Song Leader: Zak Dempsey  
 Opening Prayer: TBA  
 Scripture Reading: TBA  
 Communion:  
 Leader TBA  
 Servers & Ushers: Robert Copeland  
 JC Perez , Cameron Rimmer  
 Glenn Macon , Marc Rimmer  
 Bill Strong, Phil Osborne  
 Closing Prayer: TBA  
 Nursery: Kim Osborne  
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Please meet in Classroom #11 10 minutes before services begin. If you are unable to serve, please call: Alan Glazier or Tom Wriggins [Worship], Kathleen Brown [Nursery, Sound Booth], Lyle Asbill [Visitor, Usher, Greeter]

## MISSION STATEMENT

### To Glorify God By:

Leading people to know God through Jesus Christ.  
 Equipping members for ministry and spiritual service.  
 Assisting members to grow in love, holy living and fellowship with the community of Christ.  
 Declaring God in spiritual and truthful worship.

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