

THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Romans 15:7

May 17, 2020

welcome!

10:00 AM

Worship Reconvening Plan
Target Date - *Sunday May 24th*

10:00 AM

We will be reconvening worship at the Building on **Sunday May 24th at 10:00 am** – Lord Willing! Below are some steps we have taken for a Safe and Joyous return to worship.

1. **The following people are encouraged NOT to attend services** until they are completely comfortable doing so – (*we will be offering the Live Worship Service On-Line*)
 - a. Anyone with a significant health risk and the Elderly.
 - b. Anyone not yet completely comfortable gathering in large groups.
 - c. Anyone with symptoms such as Cough, Fever, or Respiratory issues.
2. **Other Precautions...**
 - a. All Exterior Front Entry Doors AND all interior foyer doors will be open during arrival to minimize contact.
 - b. The wearing of Masks is optional, however there will be a section dedicated to those who choose to wear *Masks*.
 - c. The ROWS will be increased from 22” apart to 32” apart. This will allow the servers to move through each row without a problem.
 - d. There will be Hand Sanitizing Stations set up in the Auditorium and in the Foyer
 - e. Everyone is “*strongly encouraged*” to sit closely ONLY with your own family members, and to consider distancing between family units.
 - f. We will (*for the foreseeable future*) forego all member Meet & Greets or other mingling that would fly in the face of social distancing – including, but not limited to the Coffee and Snack time.
 - g. We will have all common areas cleaned before Sunday services for the foreseeable future.
 - h. Exiting the building will be done row-by-row using Ushers and all available exit doors will be utilized – including the North and South auditorium Exits.
3. **Communion will be served as follows...**
 - a. The bread will be placed in communion cups, just like the grape juice.
 - b. The servers will walk down each alternating row and allow the members to take a cup from the tray. (bread and juice respectively)
 - c. The servers will follow the same procedure for the collection plates.
 - d. After the collection, servers will follow the same procedure with baskets for collecting the empty cups.
 - e. Servers will wear rubber gloves and masks.

Classes... Sunday Morning classes will be offered some number of weeks AFTER we have reconvened for Worship . This will allow time to determine the need for classroom sizes based on the new attendance levels AND give people some time to ease back into social gatherings.

Wednesday evening classes will also resume when Sunday morning class begin.

GIVING & ATTENDANCE
WEEK ENDED May 10, 2020

Weekly Actual	\$ 10,850
Weekly Budget	<u>8,750</u>
Weekly Variance	\$ 2,100
4 Week Average Variance	\$ 1,205
Attendance via views online:	2,276

Live Streaming

We will continue to live stream our Wednesday night Bible Study at 6:30 PM. So far, over 230 people have watched the study.

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. Email Kathleen for information!

Communion Supplies

We have communion available to all those who would like to come to the building to pick it up in advance. 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.

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 our graduate is Ashley Shaw. Ashley is graduating from Palmetto Ridge High School. She played softball throughout high school and was named Offense Player of the Year. Ashley met Cameron Rimmer during her Junior Year and he introduced Ashley to all of us. Ashley is working part time in Livingston Academy. She will attend Florida SouthWestern State College where she plans on earning a Bachelors Degree in Early Education. Her favorite Bible verses are Philippians 4:13 and Jeremiah 29:11. Ashley has fond memories of hanging out with the youth group and feeling welcomed. She says of her first youth group event "One day after work, the youth group was having a Hangout/Bible study night. I was nervous because Cameron wasn't with me, but I was made to feel like I'd always been a part of the youth group, they treated me just like family. Jordyn Dempsey is an amazing role model." Thank you everyone for believing in me and helping me pursue my dreams of being a teacher. I cannot wait until I can see you again.

Ladies' Fall Retreat

Dear Sweet Sisters;

It saddens me to send this message. After careful consideration and prayer, we have made the difficult decision to cancel our 2020 Ladies Fall Retreat due to the current circumstances. The well being and health of everyone must be considered.

God is bigger than a virus! He is good and all knowing! He takes a mess and creates miracles. We will be stronger and wiser and closer to Him! We don't know what the future holds, but we do know who holds the future! Trust, faith, peace and patience are all words that have become very real to our world during this time of uncertainty. We love you deeply, and we look forward to spending retreat time with you in 2021!

God be with you till we meet again. Stay safe and stay well!

With regrets and much love,

Carla Sledge on behalf of the Ladies Planning Committee

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.

Congratulations Newlyweds!

We are pleased to announce that two of our young couples got married this week.

Easton Davis married Alyssa on Friday, May 8th in a small ceremony at the church building.

Logan Rimmer married Hailey on Saturday, May 9th at Marc & Sonyia Rimmer's home in a private ceremony.

Logan & Hailey moved to Tennessee to begin their new life together.

SHEPHERDS

Terry Billingsby	423-943-8999
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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.
Spanish Worship— 1:00 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS

Working from home
Office hours by appointment only.



PRAYER UPDATES

- Mildred Freeland, Lyle Wheeler, Darinda Paul, June McCauley, Elv-is Durity, Bonnie Thompson, & Scott Blake continue to have health challenges.
- Pray for the families affected by COVID-19. This health crisis has taken its toll on everyone physical-ly, financially, emotionally, and spiritually. We have the oppor-tunity to be the light in all of this darkness.
- Jan Devens is now home from the hospital and is receiving speech & physical therapy after her stroke.
- Deepest condolences go out to the Sledge Family in the passing of Willie's brother, Alfred. His family was able to be with him. Cards may be sent to the family: 15366 Bonefish Trail, Bonita Springs, 34135

Birthday's & Anniversaries

21 - Stella Gyimah
22 - Kyle, Kalee, & Lexi Cipolla
23 - Marc & Sonya Rimmer
25 - Alan Glazier
25 - William Mitchell
25 - Jack & Rachel DeHanas
28 - John Seay
28 - Phil & Tammy Zoltek
29 - Cristina Cano
29 - Joe & Marie Lennon
30 - Maria Reategui
31 - Carlie Darragh
June 2 - Rick & Gina Taft
3 - Bob & Brenda Stephens

SERVICE SCHEDULE

May 24th

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

May 31st

Song Leader:	Dennis Coleman
Opening Prayer:	TBA
Scripture Reading:	TBA
Communion:	
Leader	TBA
Servers & Ushers:	Zak Dempsey, JC Perez , Cameron Rimmer Glenn Macon , Marc Rimmer Bill Strong, Phil Osborne Robert Copeland
Closing Prayer:	TBA
Computer:	David Wakeland
Sound Booth:	Kathleen Brown
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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]

Giving

There are 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.