



A Few Thoughts from a Shepherd

What are we experiencing these past weeks and months—if you are like me, the full range of emotions and thoughts have occurred: concern, indifference, selfishness, gladness, a higher sense of awareness, grief?

When I reflect on how I am living life, I am reminded that our Lord was isolated, experienced anxiety and was treated with contempt. How do we wrestle with ourselves—our human nature and how do we reflect on God's goodness in the midst of the pandemic and dare I say without as many distractions? I would welcome your thoughts and stories: johnceller@gmail.com

May I suggest we remain or relearn humbleness, leading us to rely on God and letting His power strengthen and sustain us. May I also suggest we take time and be thankful for our blessings—our gifts from above. When we in humbleness and thankfulness we live in submission and the Spirit can and will provide restored and renewed thoughts and emotions. Our God is mighty, remember that and let Him do the work, be transformed!

May we all with outstretched hands praise our God, inviting His presence within our life and our relationships. I your faces in my memories and I am filled with gladness—Bless you all. John Keller

In-Person Survey: Be sure to fill out the survey that you received by email about returning to in-person worship or contact us if you didn't receive it.

MAY 24th—SENIOR SUNDAY

We are going to celebrate Seniors 2020 in a different way this year due to our circumstances and it's going to be fun! Jake Seward will speak for us during the morning worship at 10am. At 2:00, we are inviting and encouraging all of our church family to come and participate in the Senior parade at the church parking lot. Brandyn will introduce each Senior and present their Bible, all while practicing social distancing. You are welcome to decorate your car, make posters, or just honk and wave as we congratulate them. Please add all five to your prayer list! We would love our church family to overwhelm them with cards and encouragements and if you need an address, please let us know and we will share it with you. We want to make this a very special day for them!

🎓 Kaitlyn Davis

🎓 Jake Seward

🎓 Malachi Johnson

🎓 Cassidy Wheeler

🎓 Isaiah Moore

FAMILY DEVOTIONAL TIME

In an effort to help our young families with younger children, Family Devotional Time will be streaming at 9am starting this Sunday morning on our Facebook page and will continue to stream at this time as long as there are no in-person worship services at the church building. This devotional time will conclude no later than 9:45am leaving plenty of time for the regular 10am worship time to stream as usual. We hope that this provides a better opportunity for families to watch the stream live together. Also, there will be no FDT on May 24th!

Mission Sunday

This Sunday, May 17th, all of the money that we collect today through May 20th will go toward the International Missions. You may mail your checks to the church, give online, or give through your bank. Thank you in advance for your support.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ♦ Al Young had surgery on his arm Thursday due to the bike accident that he had last week. Pray for complete recovery and healing.
- ♦ Please pray for David (& Pam) Lanford during his recovery from heart bypass surgery due to heart attack he had earlier in the week.

Ladies Bible Study

Ashley Lankford will be starting a bible study via zoom on the book of James by Francis Chan. The study will be offered on Tuesday at 10:30am and Thursday @ 8:30pm starting next week. Ladies of all ages are welcome. The zoom links are available on our website under the events tab.

Bible Study and Fellowship

Casey Lankford will begin a short Bible study and then a fellowship time on Wednesdays which people of all ages are welcomed to join. This will begin next week at 6:30pm and will go about 45 minutes. We will have a short devotional time and the rest of the time will be devoted to checking in on one another and seeing how things are going. The zoom ID is 878-4874-0361