

What's Up Weekly 9/9/2020

Sorry for the delay. Krista and I took yesterday off for our "holiday" day. We ended up playing nine holes of golf in Covington, our go to spot. Then we found out today at our meeting with Hanging Rock that Pastors golf free at Covington and we've been paying all year. In all fairness, we probably create more divots than most so I guess it's only fair.

Anyway, we will keep this one short this week since I'm doing catch-up in the office.

What's going on at the church?

Still meeting outside, 10:00, Sunday mornings. Thanks for everyone following our guidelines last Sunday inside without complaining. I know it stinks (and man is it hard for church to "feel" like church with social distancing!), but it's necessary.

Remember to invite friends, family and neighbors to our Back to Church Sunday celebration on September 20th! Then have them come with us in the afternoon out to Hanging Rock Christian Camp. It's a 40 minute drive exactly, so not terribly far away. Krista and I hung out there today and it's an awesome camp!

It's all FREE and you can fish, walk trails, visit horses, putt-putt golf, human foosball, play Bazooka Ball (like paintball without the paint), take a ride on the giant swing, take an even better ride on a massive zipline off a cliff, play basketball, carpet ball, or hang out on their giant playset. There's so much to do, and it will be so much fun. So please, bring your friends to church and then to the picnic.

They will also be giving tours of the camp. We went on one today and it was so great. This is our camp; one we have supported for a long time and if you haven't toured it come out early and they will take you around on the gator. All are welcome to go on the tour!

We will start gathering at Hanging Rock at 2:00 our time, 3:00 Indiana time.
The Zipline and Bazooka ball will start at 3:00 our time, 4:00 Indiana time.
But the rest of the activities are available the entire time.

Dinner will start at 5:00 CST, 6:00 EST.

Then we will have a quick 35 minute vespers service at 6:00 CST, 7:00 EST

Then we will send everyone home. You can have the kiddos back by 8:00 at the latest our time.

If you are planning on coming to the picnic, please RSVP using the link below or on Facebook.

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What am I working on?

Getting some merchandise and invites ready for Back to Church Sunday, getting the church picnic all planned out.

What am I reading?

I just got a new book in the mail today called "Preaching in an Age of Distraction." I haven't started reading it yet, but a couple of months from now you can tell me if it's working. Or if you don't I'll just assume you're too distracted to notice.

What am I excited about?

Seriously, Hanging Rock seems like one of the most fun places ever. I'm so excited to celebrate our year with ya'll on the 20th!

Silent Servants:

Shoutout this week to the Alexander family.

Frank and Holli are really active in our Youth and Children's Ministries here at the church, and they are both so willing to step up whenever we are in need. Frank has even been in the office getting all of our internet issues worked out for the past few weeks (and that's a way messier job than it sounds), and Holli is always right there ready to help on the Children's Ministry Committee. Not to mention I forced them to do an Avengers skit with me in the middle of a service this year. So that has to be mentioned.

Anyway, I've loved getting to know their family and love having them as a part of our family. Thank them for me the next time you get a chance!