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Shalom Baptist Church Newsletter

June 2020



THE SHALOM NEWSLINE

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."



MATTHEW 5:16

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Dear Shalom Family:

As a church family, we have experienced weeks of online-only worship and meetings, and relying on email, phone calls, social media and other creative means to remain connected. We often asked the question, "Will we ever be able to return?" Now that some restrictions are relaxed, "What will returning to Shalom be like?"



Your Leadership team, comprised of deacons, trustees, stewardship and staff has developed a Phase 1 plan that is highlighted below. This Phase 1 plan was developed with information provided by the Governor's directive and guidelines, BGAV and other churches.

The following information presents what our Phase 1 plan looks like as we begin the process of re-opening.

Remember that ANYTHING can change at a moment's notice. We will keep you informed as we progress into the summer! Thanks for understanding as we learn and grow through this process together!

Sunday, June 14: We begin having both our 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. worship services in person and live streamed on Facebook and YouTube. At this time we will only have family worship services. There will be no Sunday School classes, HeBrews Café, Nursery or Children's Church, Choir or Praise Team, or small group and fellowship gatherings.

In an endeavor to provide a safe environment for all of our members and guests the following protocols have been put in place:

- The front entrance under the portico is the designated entry/exit for the building. The right double doors are entry only. The left double doors are exit only and will be clearly marked. These are the only doors to be used to enter/exit the building. For cleaning and sanitation purposes, only the restrooms in the left hallway will be accessible during the 8:30 a.m. service. Only the restrooms in the right hallway will be accessible during the 11:00 a.m. service. Both hallways will be closed beyond the restrooms.
- Masks will be required and a social distance of six feet will be maintained inside the church. You are strongly encouraged to bring your own mask, however the church will have some disposable masks if needed.
- Greeters will be available to assist you with coming in and finding your seat.
- A distance of two seats will be between each family unit to assist with maintaining a safe social distance.
- Service information will be sent electronically. Please print out your own copy and bring your own bible, pen and paper to use during the service.
- Offering plates will not be passed, however offering boxes will be available to collect offering at the exits of the church building.
- Services will be dismissed by sections.
- The Sanctuary and facilities will be sanitized after each service.

Please DO NOT attend if you feel vulnerable or unsafe. If you have a fever, have been sick, are in a vulnerable situation health-wise or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, we are asking you to please stay home and worship with us online. These protocols are designed to adhere to CDC guidelines and to the guidelines put forth by our Governor.

Thank you for your prayerful support as we begin Phase 1. Please let us know if you have questions or how we can support you as we continue in this journey. We look forward to seeing your smiling faces & raising our voices together in worship very soon!

In His Service,
Your Shalom Leadership Team



Shalom Worship Opportunities

June 7th, 2020

8:30 am Online Service

11:00 am Drive-In Service

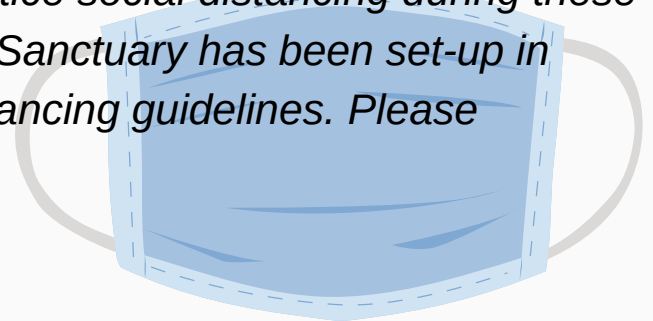


Please make note that this will be Graduate Recognition Sunday. We ask that all graduates come to the 11 am service. We will also be observing the Lord's Supper on this Sunday.

June 14th, 2020

Start In-Person Services at 8:30 am and 11 am. No Sunday School.

Please remember to continue to practice social distancing during these services. Please also make note the Sanctuary has been set-up in such a way to comply with social distancing guidelines. Please remember to wear a mask.



Truth at Two

Monday-Friday at 2:00 pm

A text version of these devotions will be sent out by e-mail.





FYI: Kelly, our Ministry Assistant will be out of the office Monday, June 15th-19th for vacation.

Shut-in of the Month:

Billie & Wortley Harris

Please remember Billie & Wortley this month by sending a card or calling. It means so much to our Shut-Ins, that they are remembered and that we still care.

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Please remember that visitation is not permitted at most nursing homes and assisted living locations due to the Covid-19 Coronavirus. Please check in with all of our shut-ins, to make them feel loved, and connected to our church family!

MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCH TREASURER

I've received a number of calls asking if we are holding checks that are mailed to the church. I want to assure you that deposits are being made every week. If you are reviewing your account and don't see where your check has cleared, please call me at 804-730-1104 and let us know so we can see that it has been received.

Jane Snead, Treasurer





Prayer Corner



There is a horrible monster that has spread across our land.

And it's been deadly and mean.

You all know what I'm talking about,
it's COV-19.

It's closed our country,
both far and wide.

From city streets,
to country sides.

And a silence fell across this land,
had never been heard before.

An eerie feeling filled our homes,
as each one closed their doors.

BUT my brothers and sisters,
there is good news!!

Things are starting to return to "semi-normal".

We have been given the "ok" to open our Shalom doors.

Hallelujah!

We will once again be able to worship together.

Now it may not be exactly the way you remembered it, but it's a start.

Our Pastors, the Deacons and staff have been working hard to implement a plan for that to happen soon.

June 14th is the target date.

There will be some new rules we will have to follow.

These rules are to ensure the safety and well being of each of us.

Keep in mind this is just temporary and if we all do our part it will benefit everyone and soon perhaps this Corona Virus will be but a dark memory.

I pray that each of you are well and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Many good things have come from all of this. God has been working alongside each of us.

He has been there to guide, to direct, heal and strengthen. And He is never but a prayer away. I cannot wait to hear some of the testimonies that have come from all of this. So, for the next two weeks, hang in there! I'm always here if you need me. See you real soon!

Love in Christ,

Dee Miller

Be blessed for I am!



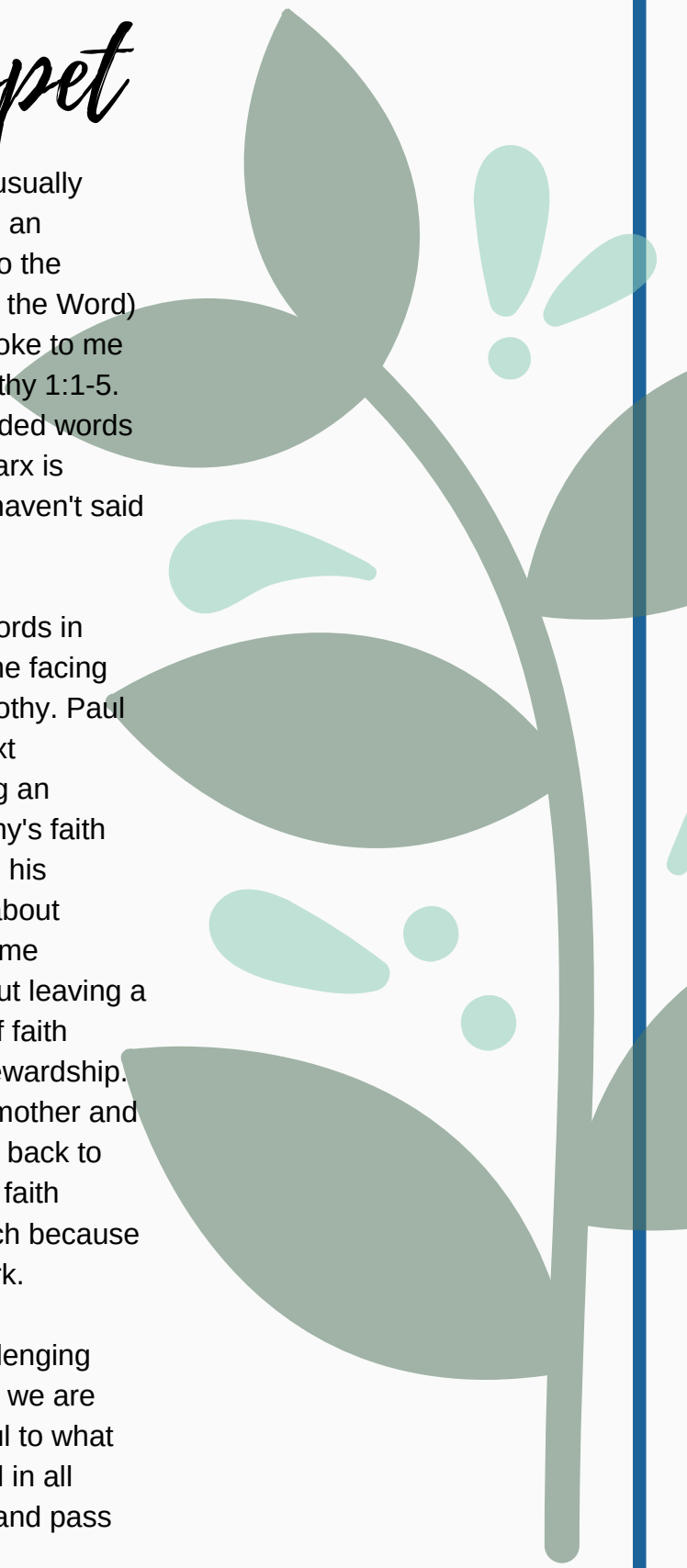


Stewardship Snippet

What are you leaving behind? In financial terms this usually means wealth transference. Typically you are leaving an inheritance to someone. Some people leave money to the church as well. I was reading my devotions (Today in the Word) and this idea of leaving an inheritance or a legacy spoke to me and I wanted to share it with you. This is from 2 Timothy 1:1-5. The devotion begins by saying, "a person's last recorded words give a window into what people truly believe." Karl Marx is reported to have said, "Last words are for fools who haven't said enough." Beethoven said, "I will hear in heaven."

The book of 2 Timothy is suppose to be Paul's last words in scripture. Most scholars think he's imprisoned in Rome facing execution but wanted to send encouragement to Timothy. Paul uses this last letter to send encouragement to the next generation, especially Timothy. With regard to leaving an inheritance or a legacy, in v. 5, Paul speaks of Timothy's faith having first been shown by his grandmother and then his mother. So while this passage of scripture is talking about leaving behind a legacy of faith, we can apply that same teaching about our stewardship. This passage is about leaving a Godly heritage, disciplining others to leave a family of faith behind. We also need to disciple others about our stewardship. Timothy learned to be faithful at the feet of his grandmother and mother. We too can pass down what it means to give back to God what He has blessed us with. It will help teach a faith lesson and maybe help churches not struggle so much because the next generation has learned to support God's work.

What are we leaving behind? Even during these challenging times, even people that may be struggling financially, we are trying to keep supporting each other and being faithful to what we are called to do. May Shalom be known as faithful in all areas of God has entrusted to us to steward for Him and pass down what we've learned to the next generation.





Congrats!

CLASS OF 2020

WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!

HAPPY



Father's
Day!

"THE RIGHTEOUS LEAD BLAMELESS LIVES; BLESSED
ARE THEIR CHILDREN AFTER THEM."

PROVERBS 20:7



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June Anniversaries

1st	Brian & Sandra Bartrug
3rd	Doug & Dawn Hansen
9th	Courtland & Peggy Lambert
10th	Ronnie & Lehlia Hardy
11th	Craig & Margene Secor
20th	Bill & Anne Fowler Ron & Sandi Palmer
21st	Ray & Jean Gifford
22nd	Kevin & Ashley Clear Ed & Vicky Kidder
23rd	Vernon & Mary Beasley Charles & Kathy Wingfield
26th	Lin & Kathy Diacont
29th	Harold & Virginia Clark John & Desiree Pippin

June Birthday's

1st	Bobby Ryan	24th	Jake Bartrug
2nd	Wayne Hufner		Wyatt Byrd
3rd	Alma Wright	25th	Kyleigh Bell
5th	Kay Craft Logan Lane	26th	Rose Broaddus Charlie Blackwell
6th	Kathy Diacont	27th	Gail Hosfeld Brandon Wilson
8th	Bonnie Blake Dottie Layne	28th	Glen Daniel
9th	Aubrey Stratton	29th	Dan McFaden
9th	Shirley Tyree	30th	Jackie Owens
11th	Bill Frost		
12th	Jean Dart David Nelson		
14th	Harold Clark		
15th	Megan Stoneman		
17th	Angela Farrier		
18th	Chuck Hubble Dee Ober Drew Revere Craig Secor		
19th	Sandra Bartrug Hunter Johnston		
20th	Danielle Karsten		
22nd	Robin England		
23rd	Roy Taylor		