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#### A Monthly Insight into St. Mary's Episcopal Church of Madison, FL



Be joyful in the Lord, all your lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a son. Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and his sheep of his pasture. Psalm 100:1-2









Our weekly services will still be available via Zoom, an email will be sent out prior to service if you wish to worship online.

**HUGE Thank you** to Dale Stone who has committed to providing online capability where our entire congregation can see each other via on screen.



## **Regathering Guidelines**

Our church opened back up the first week of June. Although attendance was small, we praise God that we can come back together to worship and praise him.

As we move forward, we have certain guidelines to follow provided by the State of Florida and Bishop Howard.

Please remember: *Parishioners with underlying medical conditions that make them more susceptible to infection or those who feel that they have potentially been exposed to the coronavirus should continue to worship at home for the safety of themselves and others.* 

<u>Wearing masks</u>: all those attending worship services should wear a mask. We do have some one hand if you need one.

<u>Social distancing</u>: As you enter our church, you will notice not all pews are open. Please sit in rows that are open, 2 per pew or family members under the same roof together.

**Bulletin/books:** During this time, other than our weekly printed bulletin, we are not able to provide hymnals or book of prayer books, please prepare to bring your own.

<u>Eucharist:</u> Holy Communion is limisted to the host (wafer only) and distribulted by the Priest at your pew.

Our church is cleaned prior to service and after. There is hand sanitizer available, each parishner needs to use as they come in.

### Shephard's Hands

I attended our SHSV free clinic for the uninsured on Tuesday June 23 at St. Mary's. This was our first clinic since February (missed three months) and was a smaller, phased reopening of the ministry.

Our volunteers served four patients which is a really good restart.

It is important to remember that so much of Jesus' ministry was spent healing people. This tradition was carried on following the resurrection by the apostles recorded by St. Luke in the Book of Acts. Many went into harms way to help the afflicted. I'm thinking specifically of those who treated lepers. "Sanctify O Lord, those who you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen and protect them by your lifegiving spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen." Joe+



Church office will be closed the week of July 6<sup>th</sup> due to our secretary Liz being at church camp. She will have limited access to email if you need anything that week.

<u>July 25:</u> Happy 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary to Father Joe and his bride, Linda.





5 Therus Brown 10 Liz King 18 Melva Morfaw 19 Guign Wyche 26 Larry Sparkman 27 Jake Pfeil



4 Nate & BJ Curtis (56 yrs) 25 Joe & Linda Boyles (50 yrs)

# Church calendar

12 Mission Board meeting 28 FREE health clinic 5:30-7:30pm



We are always looking for church event photographs. Does anyone have a picture from our reopening? Or the Shepherds Hands soft reopening? If you have any photos, please email to the church secretary at liz@stmarysofmadison.org



### Church picnic

We have a venue. As our state continues to open back up, we will set a date that is safe for all our congregation and all involved.