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**JUNE 2020**



*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”*

It will be a long road back to normalcy. If we ever go back to normalcy. How do we reopen safely?


This is the million-dollar question, as they say. I am ready to gather in person for corporate worship, as many of you are, as well. But we want to do it safely. This will be one of the most important topics that is discussed on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at our Administrative Council meeting. We realize the majority of our congregation is considered to be in the “vulnerable adult status”, so know that we will evaluate and discern the best path forward for our church family. Also, know that this isn’t just the Pastor’s decision. I have never had to navigate this territory before and covet your input as Laity.

What I do know is that we will have to continue to be creative and have, in plan, some guidelines to aid our congregation as we return to in-person worship. I’m certainly excited about this day coming soon. I’m also excited about the fact that I will be returning to this congregation for another year of pastoral leadership. Many of you may not have heard this news, but the appointments have been set and the church, as well as myself, have received the official word from our Bishop and his cabinet. Praise be to God that He has granted us another year together. Know that I love each one of you and I am here for you if I can ever be of assistance.

Thanks again for being such a caring, loving body of Christ. I look forward to working with each of you over this next year and hopefully many more to come.

*Love in Christ,  
Pastor Pam*

**JUNE 2020**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<i>Sunday Schedule:</i>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>No Sunday School During June</b>  <b>10:30 AM:</b> <b>Morning Worship Service in the Sanctuary And Also Parking Lot (Tune Radio to FM107.1)</b>		9 am Growth        7 pm AA	No Activities	7 pm AA		11 am AA
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b>  10:30 am Sunday Morning Worship		9 am Growth        7 pm AA	No Activities	7 pm AA		11 am AA
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>  10:30 am Sunday Morning Worship		9 am Growth        7 pm AA	No Activities	7 pm AA		11 am AA
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>  10:30 am Sunday Morning Worship   	<b>July Newsletter Deadline</b>	9 am Growth        7 pm AA	No Activities	7 pm AA		11 am AA
28	29	30				
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>  10:30 am Sunday Morning Worship		9 am Growth        7 pm AA				

## MEMBERS:

Charles Davis, Tom Impello, Ben Ivy, The Faye LaBoone Family, The Mildred Roberts Family, Harold Sumrall, Lee Vinson, Harriet Waltman, Jonathan Watkins

## FAMILY OR FRIENDS OF MEMBERS:

Dr. Ahmad, Mrs. Bobbie Breland, Sandra Slay Campbell, Matthew Conner, Bill Davis, Parker Dykes, Robby Early, The Bud Fuller Family, Stewart Givens, Carolyn Holiman, Laverne Holloman, Paulette Hopkins, Tammie Ivey, Nancy Johnston, Ben Jones, Gary King, Penny Lane, JoAnn Jefcoat Lewis, The Ray Long Family, The Mildred Loper Family, Janette McKenzie, Roun McNeal, Rev. Dale Moore, Paris Kate Morgan, Patsy Richardson, Brent Robinson, Mrs. Bill Rowell, Sherry & Bobby Smith, Hermann Stoesser

## NURSING HOMES/SHUT-IN's:

Karen Cockrell, R. H. "Bobby" Donald, Jr., Florine Gunter, Bennie Sue Hubbert, Annette Hutto, Wayne Lewis, Dwight McCarra, Janelle O'Neil

To add or remove someone from the prayer list, please call Susan Lewis, 601-776-3238.

## CARE GROUP FOR JUNE

If the Care Group is needed for **JUNE**, please call Chairpersons: Elaine Read, 601-776-6568 or Nora Price, 601-616-6816. Other members are: William Read, 601-776-6568; Gloria & Carl Graham, 601-776-6202; and Harry & Cathy Wheat, 601-616-1400 or 601-527-6738.

## JUNE SANCTUARY FLOWERS

- 7 Joe & Carol Ann Norsworthy
- 14 Annie Crimm & Family
- 21 Carolyn G. Smith (Father's Day)
- 28 Guillian Graham

## HONORARIUMS

Oliver & Rosemary Hopkins

## MEMORIALS

Faye LaBoone, Mildred Loper, Mildred Roberts, Sandra Slay

## ~WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHIES~



Our deepest sympathies are extended to the following families:

*The Miss Mildred Loper Family:* Miss Loper died on Thursday, May 7, 2020 at Wisteria Manor. A family graveside service was held at Eastern Cemetery in Forest, MS. She is survived by her nephew, Oliver Hopkins, Jr. and several other nieces and nephews.

*The Mrs. Mildred Roberts Family:* Mrs. Roberts died on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at Wisteria Manor. A private graveside service was held. Mrs. Roberts is survived by her daughter, Rose Longwitz Jackson (John R.); two sons, Johnny (Judy) and Al (Nancy); five grandsons; and six great grandchildren.

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Mr. & Mrs. Oliver Hopkins (Rosemary)  
Mr. & Mrs. Eric O'Neil (Sandy)
- 4 Mr. & Mrs. Clark Boatner (Meagan)  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Gardner (Hayleigh)
- 5 Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Mathis (Kimberly)
- 6 Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Hamrick (Martha)  
Mr. & Mrs. Ches Brewer (Susan)
- 7 Mr. & Mrs. Mark Jordan (Lisa)
- 8 Mr. & Mrs. Sam Davis (Anne)  
Mr. & Mrs. John R. Jackson (Rose)
- 10 Mr. & Mrs. Adam Roberts (Daphne)
- 14 Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Donald (Lacia)
- 16 Mr. & Mrs. Lance Fulcher (Jennifer)
- 17 Mr. & Mrs. Steve Watkins (Becky)
- 19 Mr. & Mrs. Brent Robinson (Kathy)
- 20 Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Williams (Emma Kate)
- 26 Mr. & Mrs. Bill Glass (Kaye)
- 27 Mr. & Mrs. Eric Holloman (Beth)
- 30 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Donald (Nancy)  
Mr. & Mrs. Mark McKee (Vickie)

 Happy Anniversary! 



- 1 Judy Roberts, Rachel Whaley Zabaldano, Sarah Whaley Keb
- 2 Annie S. Crimm, Sammie Waltman, Leigh Ann Longwitz
- 3 Patsy Smith
- 4 Phillip McDonald
- 5 Joyce Hyatt
- 7 Layla Grace Williams
- 8 Jerry Whigham, Kyah Reeves, Jacob Holloman
- 9 Sissie Hailes
- 10 David Fontenot
- 14 Joyce Ellzey, Rosemary Hopkins, Ava Dedwylder
- 15 Kathy Hunter, Mark McKee
- 19 Kaitlyn McRee
- 22 Jillianne Bennett
- 23 Walt Waltman
- 28 Landon Fulcher
- 29 Andrew Hailes

“ Happy Birthday To You! ”

## **WORSHIP SERVICES TO BE HELD AGAIN IN THE CHURCH SANCTUARY**

The Church Council voted to begin holding Worship Services in the Church Sanctuary beginning this Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. As far as protocols go, we will try to observe the Safe Worship guidelines from Governor Tate Reeves for in-person Worship Services. The Sanctuary will be thoroughly sanitized and social distancing will be observed. The church pews will be marked to allow the six feet separation between individuals. Holy Communion will not be observed in the Sanctuary during June. There will not be any congregational singing during the June Worship Services; however, if you would like to perform a solo on Sunday mornings, please let Lisa Kramer know. The offering plates will be placed in the Foyer and also at the back entrance of the Sanctuary for you to put your offering in upon entering or exiting so person-to-person contact can be avoided as much as possible. Announcements will be made verbally or through social media rather than having printed Bulletins or other paper contact. Chancel Flowers will once again be placed in the Sanctuary for Sunday Worship beginning June 7<sup>th</sup>. Please check the Flower List in your Church Resource Guide. If you and your family are responsible for the Chancel Flowers on Sundays, please continue to let the Church Secretary know how you want them to be recognized. Even though Bulletins will not be printed at this time, Pam will announce your information so everyone will know who provided the beautiful flower arrangements.

You are asked (not required) to wear a mask upon entering and exiting the building. The mask may be removed during the Worship Service if you choose. Hand sanitizer, gloves, and additional masks will be available in the Foyer and at the side entrance of the Church.

During June, Pam plans to continue using the FM Transmitter (FM 107.1 on your radio) during the services should there be anyone who does not feel safe about coming inside the Sanctuary for the Worship Services and wishes to remain inside their vehicles.

## **NO WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES OR SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BE HELD DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE.**

### **PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRACTICE THE GUIDELINES NECESSARY TO HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS.**

You and your family's safety and well-being are extremely important as we gradually begin the process of coming together once again at Quitman First United Methodist Church.

If you or a family member answers "YES" to any of the following questions, please stay home:

1. Have you been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days?
2. Are you experiencing a cough, shortness of breath, or sore throat?
3. Have you had a fever in the last 48 hours?
4. Have you had a new loss of taste or smell?
5. Have you had vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours?

This pandemic is far from over and everyone's patience has been pushed to the limit, but through your continued faith and prayers, we will overcome!

## **WORSHIP SERVICE TIME**

There has been some consideration about meeting earlier on Sunday mornings for Worship Services. We are also looking for ways to make our Worship Services and time more appealing to the younger generation. Please feel free to provide and share any feed-back and suggestions on making changes with the Church Council. They will be glad to hear and listen to your thoughts and comments on this issue.

## **LADIES GROWTH BIBLE STUDY**

The Ladies Growth Bible Study is meeting once again on Tuesday mornings at 9:00. The Bible Study is being held outside, under the trees behind the Kirkland Activity Center, until it gets too hot or is raining. Bring a lawn chair and join them. If the weather becomes unsuitable for everyone, the studies will be held inside the Parish House. The six feet social distancing rule will continue to be followed.

## **2020 SESSION OF THE MISSISSIPPI ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Bishop Swanson made the following announcement, "Contingent on the stipulations from the Mississippi Health Department and possible risks to the welfare of our fellow Mississippians, the new date for the 2020 Session of the Mississippi Annual Conference will be held around mid-afternoon or later on Sunday, July 26th—Monday, July 27th." The session will be available through the conference website and social media. More information will be forthcoming.

## **AA MEETINGS**

The AA meetings have resumed at the Kirkland Activity Center. The meetings are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning at 7:00 p.m. and Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. Everyone who attends is required to wear a mask and please practice the 6' social distancing.

## **YOUTH & CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES NEWS**

**PART-TIME DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN/YOUTH**  
The First United Methodist Church of Quitman is

currently looking to hire a Part-time Director of Children/Youth. The Job Description and Applications are available in the Church Office.

**ATTENTION!  
YOUNG & OLD**

**NEED A RIDE ON SUNDAY MORNINGS?**

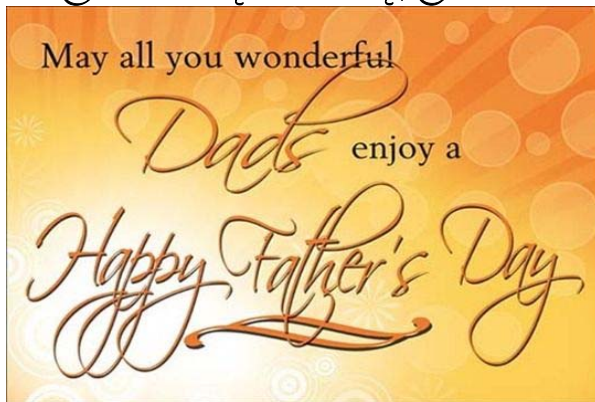
When Worship Services and Activities Resume...

The Church Van will be running again.

Just let Pastor Pam know.



*Father's Day is Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>.*



**CHANGE OF CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please don't forget to contact the Church Office if you have a change of name, address, phone number, or email.

**NEWSLETTER NOTICES**

The monthly Newsletter is also on the Church's Website at <https://www.quitmanfumc.com>. If you have anything you would like printed in the monthly Newsletter, please email the Church Office at [quitmanfumc@gmail.com](mailto:quitmanfumc@gmail.com). Be sure to add "Newsletter" to the subject line so your announcement does not go unnoticed.

