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Grace Notes

*Welcome *Worship *Praise

COVID GRACE NOTES JUNE 15, 2020

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP RETURNS TO GRACE

Sunday, June 14th, 2020, worship services returned to Grace Baptist Church! There were thirty-four enthusiastic attenders. Each of the attenders was checked for temperature, wearing a mask and practicing social distancing. The service was energetic, with music by Chris Foster and an inspiring message from Pastor Jerry. Pastor Jerry referenced Mad Magazine and Alfred E. Neuman, for those of us who can remember. My thanks to Carolyn, Marylou, Mary and Marty as greeters; Roger as property overseer; Sandi providing A/V guidance; Rick monitoring the new sound system and Gene Waters our head usher. We hope more will feel comfortable and attend worship next Sunday on June 21st, Father's Day! Come and join other believers in worship even with the conditions prescribed by the authorities. – Bill Turnage, Moderator



VIDEO SERVICES CONTINUE

The June 14 worship was recorded and is now up on the Grace Baptist Church website for those who missed Sunday's service. This was our first run in this new location and format, so we are still a little rough around the edges. The worship service will be up by 6 pm each Sunday afternoon. Do you remember when we had Sunday evening worship? It is happening again on the information highway with this new video of the morning service available on Sunday evening.

Bernard and Mara are taking the lead in filming the service for which we are grateful. They are using a camera borrowed from Jody McLaughlin. Chris Foster will be our summer worship leader and will also cut, splice and edit the material that the film crew provides him each Sunday afternoon. That product is reviewed by the pastor and then goes to our webmaster Mike Reiter who taps into son, Mark Reiter, to get it up on our YouTube channel somewhere in cyberspace. We pray it will be on your computer by early Sunday evening.

We are thankful to those who came on Thursday afternoon for the past 12 weeks to help record the services before we opened for in-person services yesterday. Rick and Mary Webb, Sandi McKee, Robert Lee, Maw Rach Taw, Chris Foster and others were key in keeping us live since March 22.

The church as we know it will be different in the future. I do not yet know how it will work, but it will be more technology driven, will minimize large groups, and will be less church building centered. I look forward to seeing how God leads us to express the gospel through the twenty first century.

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Sunday School
9:00 a.m.

Worship
10:15 a.m.

Karen Worship
2:00 p.m.

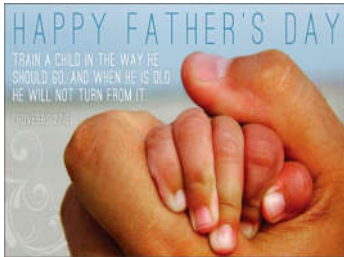
**"For by grace you have
been saved through
faith, and this is not
your own doing; it is
the gift of God."
Ephesians 2:8 NRSV**

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PRAYER TIME WITH AND FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

Our neighbors at New Kingdom of God and Restoration Church will meet next Sunday, June 21, for the first time since the coronavirus shut-down. Pastor Dean Scott finishes his sermon about 11:30 or 15 minutes after we conclude. Please join me as we go to their congregation at 11:30 to affirm our brotherhood and pray with them over the recent expressions of racism that have shattered our nation. We will need to wear our masks and maintain covid-19 etiquette when we visit our neighbors, but for 10 minutes we will gather in their sanctuary and pray as brothers and sisters who want to bear one another's burdens. Representatives from other neighborhood churches will be present also.

--- Jerry B. Cain



Dear God,

Thank you for all the fathers and father-figures in this world and for the many ways you use them to lovingly guide others to Your heart. I ask that you would bless them and give them great joy and peace. May they see You and know You in new ways. Show them how much you love them and care about them. Guide their steps, use their hands, and make them a blessing to others as you continue to fulfill your special purpose for their lives. Amen (... **once again, I wish I had another chance to say, "I love you!"**)



NARTHEX NEWS

(Items we would talk about should we be meeting in the Narthex on Sunday.)

With her hair turning grey, Ethlyn McCleave works diligently to finish her memoirs before her 100th birthday on July 21. The stories now cover about 130 pages. You go, girl!!

Six men from our new Men's Ministry under Rick Webb's leadership will gather Tuesday morning to help Jean Tysdal and the Hospitality Committee to distribute fruit and vegetables in the neighborhood.

Rita Greer's daughter, Stephanie, has broken both bones in her leg and received additional injuries to her foot and ankle. Please add her to your prayer list.

Today, Monday through Friday, August 14, our men will begin delivering food from Maplewoods Elementary School to Gracemor Elementary School in this rotation as a part of the NKC Adventure Club program:

Monday, Bonnie & Jack Hespelt
Tuesday, Rick Webb

Wednesday, Jerry Cain
Thursday, Roger McKee

Friday, Dennis Farabee

This is the continuation of our YouthFriends ministry at Lakewood Elementary School and we appreciate Gene Waters who covered the first two weeks of June.

Peggy Dunn is recovering from cataract surgery and continues to appreciate your prayers and contacts.

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