

LITTLETON BAPTIST NEWS

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PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

June is here! That means it is finally summer, the best time of the year. Pool parties. Lake parties. Lawn parties. Anything outdoors. Even if its raining, that just means mud sliding and getting cooled off a bit. It is such an amazing time of the year.

Over the past couple of months it has been great to see so many people coming back in our church. It was very meaningful especially on Mother's Day to see so many of our extended church family present to honor all of the wonderful children being dedicated. As we open up more, may the fellowship and the worship we experience with our community be a representation of our growing faith.

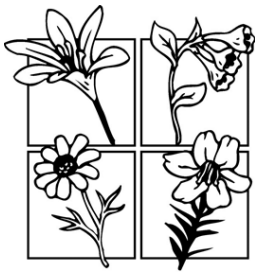
As we continue to open up the church and lift restrictions it has been good to see so many smiles again. That has been one of the things I have missed the most. I will do my best to recognize everyone since it has been so long since I have seen entire faces. It has also been good to see our children down front for children's moments. That is also something I have missed about this time, getting to interact with our children. I know that once June starts, they will look forward to the nursery starting back again as well. Once June arrives, singing will make its full return. I know this has been something so many have asked about, and I look forward to hearing all of your wonderful voices again.

Speaking of hymns, this summer we will continue our annual tradition of doing a music series for the months of June and July. This year instead of doing contemporary Christian music, I will be focusing on different hymns. It has been so long since we have sung full hymns, I thought what a beautiful time to learn more about these beautiful hymns that we sing.


I hope that you are able to enjoy this series as much as I am enjoying writing and preaching it. I pray that by learning a bit more about the hymns, that it will have a bigger impact when we sing them. And of course that through the learning and the singing you are able to grow in your faith journey.

Grace and Peace,

David



June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 No Exercise 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	3	4 No Exercise	5
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I'm writing this after our church service on May 16th...the first Sunday without masks! It was something I had waited for since last March....smiling faces! It was the best feeling to look out in the congregation and see all of your smiles! Not only did I love the smiles, I loved the "unmasked" singing of the hymns! I am so looking forward to June when we will be singing more than one verse of the hymns!

I also want to welcome our new choir members! It is so nice to have Carol & Al Spraker and Charles Wilson join us! This definitely puts a smile on my face! Remember, that there is always a space for you in our choir...even with social distancing!! We are practicing right after church for now. Beginning in August we will be going back to our Wednesday night rehearsals!

I think this is the "happiest" column I have written in a long time! The other day I took Addie to the Piggly Wiggly. She said, "Lolly, I am so glad you don't have to wear that yucky mask anymore! Now, I can hear you talk and see you smile. You look like my Lolly again!" I think we all feel that way!!

Laura



THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

Join us for our Sunday Morning Worship.

If you can't be with us at church
then join us online for our
Virtual Worship Service on
Facebook Live at 11:00 A.M.

JUNE 6

Be Thou My Vision

Jeremiah 9:23-24

JUNE 13

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Lamentations 3:19-24

JUNE 20

This Is My Father's World

Malachi 4:5-6

Father's Day

JUNE 27

Holy, Holy, Holy

2 Corinthians 13:14



Our Deacons will meet virtually on Sunday, **June 6**, at 7:00 P.M. Please pray for our deacons and their invaluable leadership to our church.



Our Outdoor World Services continue at 8:30 A.M. each Sunday through Labor Day weekend. If you are willing to participate, either speaking or assisting with special music, please see Mike Crawley.



Youth will be meeting in June on the 13th and 27th for dinner and Bible study. June 13th will be our rescheduled end of the year party as well.

Thanks in advance for your prayers and support for this valuable ministry. Over the past few years it has been an inspiration to the campers and beyond.



On Sunday, **June 20**, we will take time to honor our fathers, past and present, on Father's Day. Be with us as we take time to especially honor Christian Fathers who daily live their faith in the family and world!



God's beauty is constantly surrounding us. Doesn't it just make you smile and feel so good?

It is so hard to believe that June is already here! The following is the altar flower schedule for the month of June:

June 6 - Available

June 13 - Available

June 20 - Available (Father's Day)

June 27- Mary Spivey

Don't forget about the flower sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the hallway at church. If you would like to place flowers in church, please contact a member of the Flower Committee by phone or email:

Sandra Lynch, (252) 578-3495 or sandralynch337@gmail.com,
Kay Beaver, (252) 586-2014 or dbeaver10@gmail.com.

You can also contact the church office by email: office@littletonbaptistchurch.org. Let us know what you want to post in the bulletin.

We would like to thank everyone who has placed flowers in the sanctuary. You are wonderful!



What a blessing to be able to see smiles and give hugs! Putting on lipstick and leaving the mask in the car are two fun things women are doing. Men may have to shave more often but no mask. God wants us to be a happy people. We show and share his love by our actions. Visit our shut-ins and give them some of your time and attention. Invite someone to church. You can even bring them with you. Enjoy being with family and friends. Plan a get together. We may not have Vaca-

tion Bible School this year but you can plan a special story time for the neighbor children. Paint a rock and put a Bible verse on it. Take a walk down the street and talk about God's beautiful world. Enjoy the freedom to get out and share God's love. Wear your smile. Give it to all you meet.



WORSHIP UPDATE

As we are entering June, it has been wonderful seeing so many of your smiling faces. I have enjoyed seeing everyone and worshipping with you. We just wanted to give everyone a full update here on the loosening of restrictions. It has been a hard year for everyone, and I want to thank each person.

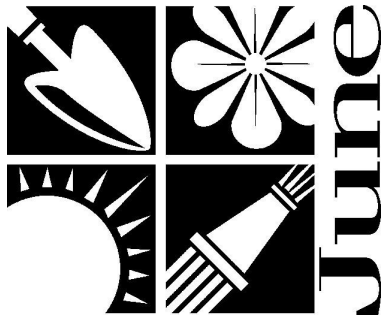
Thank you to everyone for your patience as our deacons have struggled with many of the decisions they have made over the past year. We continue to work towards adding the other elements of worship that have been missing, although not all elements will be returning as they were in the past. Also, remember that our virtual option will remain a permanent ministry of our church.

With that in mind, the following restrictions are lifted:

1. All pews are open for use. We still recommend that it is just one family per pew.
2. Masks are no longer required. If you are still uncomfortable, please feel free to wear one. We will have masks available at both entrances into the sanctuary for our members' use.
3. Children can come to the front for children's moment.
4. All Sunday School classes will meet in their respective rooms.
5. We will be standing and singing for all verses of our hymns.
6. Our nursery is back up and running. Please remember this is for ages 5 and below. At 6 years old we recommend them sitting with you in worship. Allow them to ask questions and feel involved in our church.

As we continue opening, we look forward to having more events and fellowship opportunities that we have so dearly missed this past year. Here is to our church doing the mission that God has called us to do. Allow God to speak to you about how you might serve this church and his kingdom. Please continue to lift each other up in prayer. We look forward to seeing everyone and worshipping with you.

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>GARBAGE DETAIL</u>
2 Sidney Gibson 3 Adelyn Kearney (5 yrs) 3 Daley Ross 12 David Tripp 15 Monica Phillis 16 Hannah Skinner (16 yrs) 16 Connie Turner 16 Patrick Pegram 21 Sonny Walker 24 Amanda Coffman 25 Megan Conner 25 Perry Myrick 26 Sarah Neville 27 Ryan Hockaday 30 Wyatt Iles (7 yrs) 30 Betty Bodkin	5 Dale & Carol Meyer (45 yrs) 6 Lowell & Virginia Lee (67 yrs) 7 Jim & Monica Phillis (13 yrs) 8 Thad & Melinda Harris (52 yrs) 10 Michael & Megan Conner (15 yrs) 14 Roman Martinez & Neva Lopez (18 yrs) 15 Claude & Sandra Lynch (41 yrs) 27 Jimmy & Sandra Felts (29 yrs) 30 Ray & Brenda Holloman (53 yrs)	Mike Crawley