

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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Church Mission

" Bringing Christ
to the people...
...the people to Christ "

Church Slogan

Living, Loving,
Leading, and Laughing;
that's Our Saviour's
Lutheran Church

Our Ministers

The people

Our Pastor

Rev. Dr. Mark Braaten

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Jaeyong Lee

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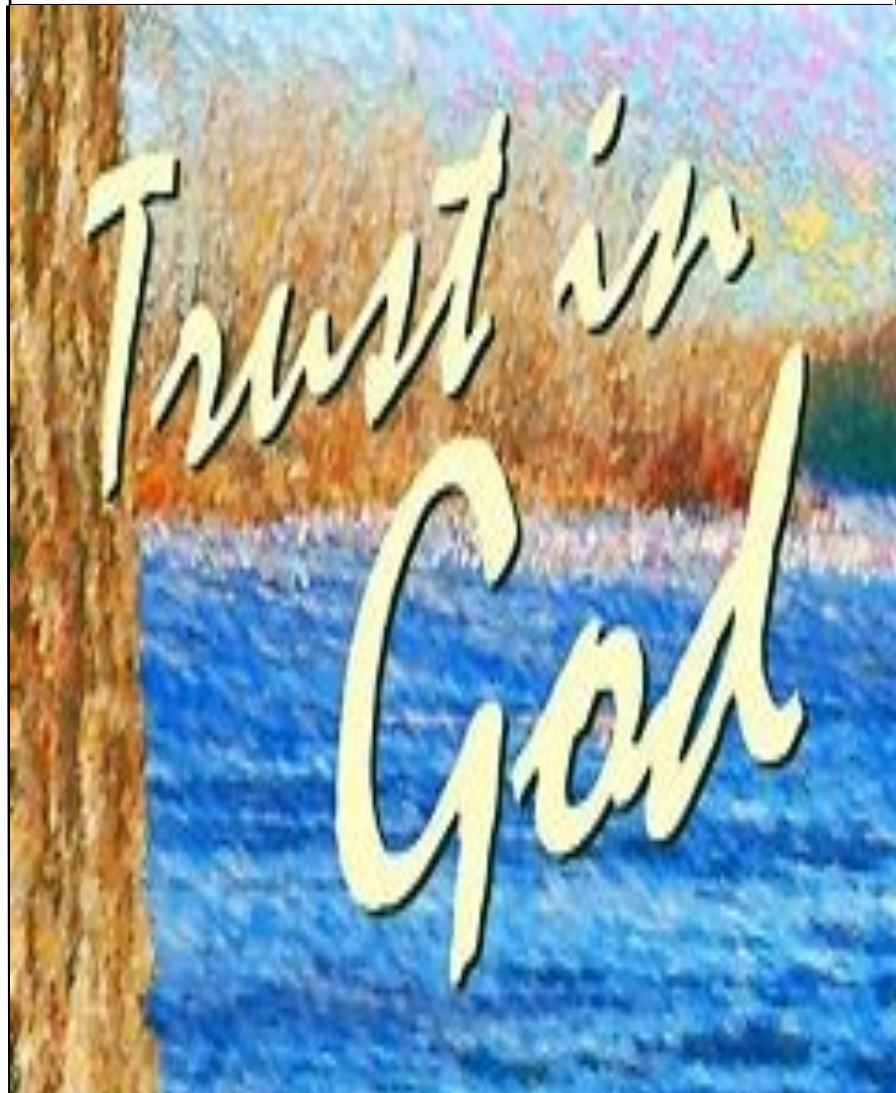
Member Goals

*As disciples of
our Lord, Jesus Christ,
we strive to grow in
faith through daily prayer
and bible reading,
attending worship
services, tithing,
and serving others.*

September 13, 2020

Worship Service

9:00 A.M. & 10:15 A.M.





TO OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS

Thank you for joining with us! We're glad you are here.

* Because of COVID-19, we are not providing child care during today's service. Please have your family sit together.

* We practice open communion. If you are baptized and desire to share in the body and blood of our Lord, please join us. Our communion today is different than usual so that we can be in compliance with proper "social distancing."

* We begin communing children in the 5th grade. We will offer a communion class to prepare 5th graders to receive this sacrament once we are able to offer in person classes again.

* Let us know if we can be of assistance to you! If so, please let one of our ushers know.

WORSHIP SERVERS

9:00 A.M. Worship

LMC: Bob Tardiff
Ushers: Ed Lattier & Launa Tardiff
Reader: Pending
Music Leader: Sherry Towns

10:15 A.M. Worship

LMC & Usher: Connie Gibbs
Usher: Gary Altbrandt
Reader: Gary Trennepohl
Music Leader: Sherry Towns

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 13, 2020 — WELCOME!

It is a joy to worship together.

PRELUDE
JAERYONG LEE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

OPENING HYMN ~ THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION
LBW 369, vs. 1-2

The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water
and the word.
From heav'n he came and sought
her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the earth;
her charter of salvation:
one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses
with ev'ry grace endued.

CONFESSION OF SIN

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE ~ SUNG

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE ~ BE UNTO YOUR NAME

We are the moment, You are forever,
Lord of the ages, God before time;
We are a vapor, You are eternal,
Love everlasting, Reigning on high.

Holy, holy Lord God Almighty,
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain;
Highest praises honor and glory
Be unto Your name,
Be unto Your name.

We are the broken, You are the healer,
Jesus, Redeemer, mighty to save;
You are the love song we'll sing forever,
Bowing before you, blessing Your Name.

Holy, holy Lord God Almighty,
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain;
Highest praises honor and glory
Be unto Your name,
Be unto Your name.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray; O Lord, help your people to avoid the infection of the evil one, and with pure hearts to follow you, our only Lord. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please sit

FIRST READING: GENESIS 50:15-21

¹⁵When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." ¹⁶So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died: ¹⁷'Say to Joseph, "Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.'" And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 103:1-12

- ¹Bless the Lord, | O my soul,*
and all that is within me, bless his | holy name.
- ²**Bless the Lord, | O my soul,***
and forget not | all his benefits.
- ³He forgives | all your sins*
and heals all | your infirmities;
- ⁴**He redeems your life | from the grave***
and crowns you with mercy and | lovingkindness;
- ⁵He satisfies you | with good things,*
and your youth is renewed | like an eagle's.
- ⁶**The Lord ex- | ecutes righteousness***
and judgment for all who | are oppressed.
- ⁷He made his ways | known to Moses*
and his works to the chil- | dren of Israel.
- ⁸**The Lord is full of compas- | sion and mercy,***
slow to anger and | of great kindness.
- ⁹He will not al- | ways accuse us,*
nor will he keep his an- | ger forever.
- ¹⁰**He has not dealt with us according | to our sins,***
nor rewarded us according | to our wickedness.
- ¹¹For as the heavens are high a- | bove the earth,*
so is his mercy great upon | those who fear him.
- ¹²**As far as the east is | from the west,***
so far has he removed our | sins from us.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 14:1-12

- ¹As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions.
- ²One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables.
- ³Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. ⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it

in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. ¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God." ¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ THE B-I-B-L-E

The B-I-B-L-E

Yes, that's the book for me
I stand alone on the Word of God
The B-I-B-L-E

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Please stand

GOSPEL VERSE ~ THY WORD

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.
...And a light unto my path.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 18:21-35

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 18th Chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²¹Peter came up and said to {Jesus}, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times. ²³Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

After the reading:

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARK BRAATEN

Please stand

SONG OF THE DAY ~ AMAZING GRACE

LBW 448, vs. 1,2,&4

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;

how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures;

he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Congregation sings refrain of "Lord, listen to your children praying." WOV 775

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

Pastor Mark prays while Jaeyong plays refrain in background
Congregation repeats refrain

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Congregation repeats refrain

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 89 LBW

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks
and praise.**

**P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . We praise your name and join their unending
hymn:**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, 'Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.'

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.'

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of His resurrection, we await His coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of His resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD ~ P. 92 LBW

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

(COMMUNION SONGS ARE FOR 10:15 SERVICE ONLY)

COMMUNION SONG #1 ~ SANCTUARY

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true.
With Thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you.

It is you, Lord, who gave the Savior,
Heart and soul, Lord, to every man.
It is you, Lord, who knows my weakness.
You refine me with thine own hand.

Lead me on, Lord, through temptation
Purify me from within
Fill our hearts with Your Holy Spirit
Take away all our sin.

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true.
With Thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you.

COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ SURELY THE PRESENCE/CHRIST BESIDE ME

Surely the presence of the Lord
Is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power
And His grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord
Is in this place.

Repeat verse

Christ beside me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me
King of my heart;

Christ within me,
Christ below me,
Christ above me
Never to part

Surely the presence of the Lord
Is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power
And His grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord
Is in this place.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE ~ "SONG OF SIMEON"

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace,
Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the Salvation,
Which you have prepared in the sight of every people.
A light to reveal you to the Nations,
And the glory of your people, Israel.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
In the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG ~ I'LL FLY AWAY

Some glad morning when this life is o'er,
I'll fly away.
To a home on God's celestial shore,
I'll fly away.

Chorus:
I'll fly away, O glory;
I'll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah, by and by,
I'll fly away.

When the shadows of this life have grown,
I'll fly away.
Like a bird from prison bars has flown,
I'll fly away.

Chorus

Just a few more weary days and then,
I'll fly away.
To a land where joys shall never end,
I'll fly away.

Chorus

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE ~ DR. JAEYONG LEE

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****ANNOUNCEMENTS****

Schedule Change as We Begin Sunday School

Our plan at this time is to begin Sunday School on Sunday, October 4. We will of course be watching how the public schools are doing and we will adjust or change our planning as necessary. But assuming Sunday School begins, we will make a few adjustments to our Sunday morning schedule:

9:00 – 9:45 – Outdoor Worship Service

9:45-10:25 – Sunday School for ages 3 through high school. We will not begin an adult class at this time.

10:30 – 11:30 – Indoor Worship Service

Communication in Case of Rain on Sunday Morning

We are having great fun with our outdoor service on Sunday mornings, and it has gone very well. I really enjoy that service. But as we approach fall, there is a new development that we need to be aware of. That is the possibility of rain. Through the summer months we have not had any rain on a Sunday, but as we enter October and November that becomes more of a possibility. Here is what we have place in case of rain.

*If rain is in the forecast I will talk on Saturday with our council president, Bill Videtto. We will decide if we should cancel the service.

*If we decide to cancel, we will post that on our church website. We will also tape a message on the church answering machine, and we will send out an email to those on our email list. We will do everything we can to get the word out.

*If it is a Sunday morning and you are wondering if we will have the outdoor service, please either call the church and listen to the answering machine, or check the church website.

Planning for Sunday School

We are doing our organizing for Sunday School. Our plans to begin Sunday School on Sunday, October 4.

If you would like to help with teaching and leading Sunday School, please talk with Carmen Nazario or Pastor Mark.

*If you have child who is age 3 or 4, would you leave let Carmen or Pastor Mark know. We are putting together a list who is in the class.

*We are planning to make Sunday School as safe as we possibly can. We will set up social distancing in each classroom. And we are requiring that all teachers and students wear masks during Sunday School.

Looking for Change

Remember on Sunday mornings we are collecting loose change. There are containers near the entrance to worship, just put your change in the containers. All proceeds will be given to PATH or the East Texas Food Bank to help those in need in our community. And thank you, we are off to a great start!

Procedures for Indoor Worship

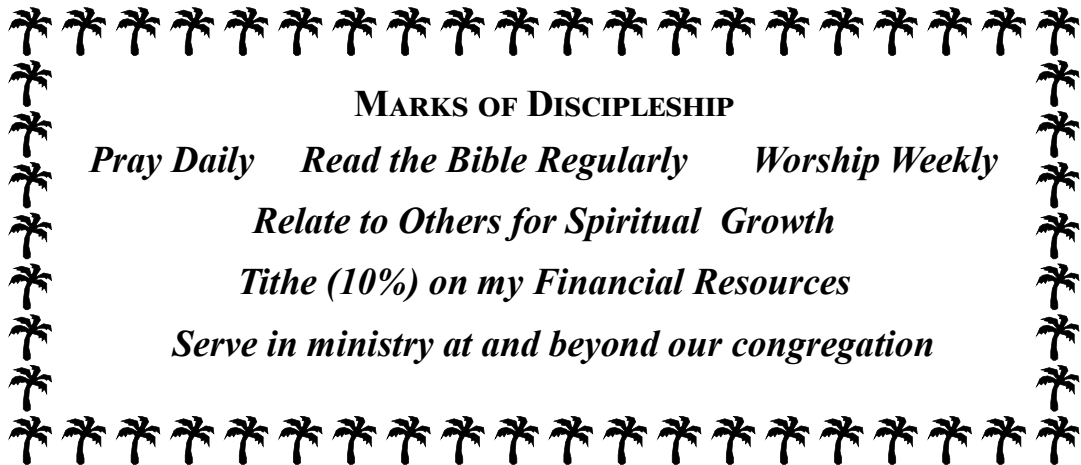
Just a couple of reminders for our indoor worship service:

First, please do remember to social distance in the narthex as you talk. We are excited to see each other, but let's keep a safe distance.

Second, remember at the end of the indoor service, the ushers will usher you out. Please remain in your seats until you are instructed to leave.

Third, of course please do wear your mask for the indoor service as long as you are **inside the church building**. That is a great way to care for our neighbors.

Thank you!



Thank you for wearing a face mask. We are all in this together

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (SEPTEMBER 13 – SEPTEMBER 20, 2020)

THIS WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS: VARIES DUE TO COVID-19.
 IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ **903-561-1865** AND IF NO ONE ANSWERS,
 LEAVE A MESSAGE AND YOUR CALL WILL BE RETURNED.

SUNDAY—Sept. 13, 2020

Worship Service, Outside 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service, Inside 10:15 a.m.

THURSDAY

Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 CODA 6:00 p.m.

MONDAY

No Activities Scheduled

FRIDAY

No Activities Scheduled

TUESDAY

Quilters 9:00 a.m.
 ACA 6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY

No Activities Scheduled

WEDNESDAY

No Activities Scheduled

SUNDAY—Sept. 20, 2020

Worship Service, Outside 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service, Inside 10:15 a.m.

STEWARDSHIP		WORSHIP SERVICE ATTENDANCE	
Monthly Budget	\$ 23,058	Worship Average as of March 15, 2020	130
August Offering	<u>\$ 19,806</u>	Attendance Sept. 6, 2020:	61
Offering Sept. 6, 2020	\$ 1,885	9:00 a.m. Service—26	
Other Sept. Offerings	<u>3,682</u>	10:15 a.m. Service—35	
Total September Offerings	<u>\$ 5,567</u>		
2020 Congregational Offering Year To Date	<u>\$ 180,798</u>	Worship Average Since Returning on May 31, 2020	75.2