

This week at Lamb of God + May 24, 2020

Sunday		Worship Service Live Streaming Family Communion
Monday	Office Closed	Memorial Day

New Family Time Communion Schedule:

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I continue to be pleased with the response to Online Worship, our resumption of Public Worship, and Family Time Communion. Our past two Public Worship Services were attended by 35-40 individuals each time. Most of these chose to remain for the short Service of the Sacrament that followed. Family Time Communion has been attended by 5 or so individuals total each time. This is understandable. The Michigan District has advised us that the return to public worship for most people will be very gradual. It may take from 3-12 months before most feel comfortable. Just know that Lamb of God will be here waiting for you, when you feel the time is right.

In the meantime we are going to scale back even more the schedule for Family Time Communion:

- 11:30 AM 12:00 PM: Last names beginning with A-M
- 12:00 PM 12:30 PM: Last names beginning with N-Z

This is a service of Confession and Absolution, and The Sacrament. It takes approximately 15 minutes. We take time afterwards to clean and wipe down the pews and Communion Rail. Even with this scaled back schedule there is room built in to have 2 separate services in each of the 30-minute blocks to safely accommodate all who show up. We will make adjustments accordingly so that the total number in the Sanctuary for each service is under 20. Those waiting their turn can do so in the Narthex, or the Fellowship Hall, observing the 6-feet distancing. The past two Sundays there hasn't been anyone who had to wait. I don't expect this to change in the near future.

ALTAR FLOWERS



The flowers on the Altar this morning were given to the glory of God, from Dale & Lori Norrington, in celebration of their 34th wedding anniversary.

BIBLE STUDY ON HIATIUS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

- Monday at 1:00 pm—Women's Study on Exodus
- Wednesday at 10:00 am the Life-Light Bible Study-Gospel of Matthew.

PICTURE DAY

Comb your hair, brush your teeth and SMILE We have time. The Picture day has been rescheduled to Tuesday, July 21st & Wednesday, July 22nd. More information to follow.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

We will hold a Congregational Meeting Sunday May 31st (as scheduled). Members can attend in person observing 6 foot distancing in either the Sanctuary, the Fellowship Hall (watching on the TV Screen), or from home via ZOOM. More details to come.





Mark your calendar! We will be sponsoring a Blood Drive on Monday

June 22, 2020

Update on Mercy House (at Franklin Mission) and a request:

Mercy House has been going strong despite everything going on. We had two families in the house when all of this started and just a few weeks ago one mother found housing for her and her children and is now off on her own supporting her family. We are so thrilled to have our first graduate at Mercy House! We have not been accepting any new families as of yet until we feel it is safe for everyone to bring in new residents. We do still have one family in the house however, which brings me to my request. Now that the weather is warming up our mother and the staff at Mercy House would like to get some outdoor seating so they are able to watch their children play outside and to enjoy the nice weather. If you know of someone who has outdoor furniture that they would be willing to donate please let me know! This would maybe be a couple of chairs and a little side table or two that are in good condition! Rachel Siemen, Director of Mission Operations rachels@franklinavemission.org

Please fulfill your obligation as a member to support the ministry that is still on-going despite the restrictions imposed concerning public worship. Please mail in your offering, give on-line at our website, or drop your offering envelope off in the lobby in the offering box across from the Church Office Monday – Friday 9 am-1 pm. **1** Peter 5:7 – "...casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you." We have a Father in heaven – and He really cares for us and loves us. That is the basis of generosity, because such knowledge spells the end of anxiety and worry, which is where tight-fisted greed comes from.



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