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http://www.eastathens.org/live
(for Livestreams of Sunday morning services)

www.eastathens.org/media
(video: previous week's Sunday morning services)

www.eastathens.org/calendar
(for happenings at the church)

www.eastathens.org/guestinfo
(for guest information)

EAST ATHENS BAPTIST CHURCH

Offering grace and truth in love to all.

HAPPY SUMMER

Coming soon... Our first "all-together" worship service!!!

We will be holding a special **"outdoor"** worship service on
Sunday, June 14th at 10:00 a.m.
The service will be held on church grounds, (back side of building).
Please bring a lawn chair, or you may enjoy the service from your vehicle.
Also...
Please note the following details concerning *"PHASE 2"* of EABC's reopening procedures, located on Page 2 of this newsletter under Pastor's Message.

Thank you!

HAPPY Father's Day

GOAL

NAT'L: $450,000
EABC: $1,450

TENNESSEE BAPTIST ADULT HOMES

Father's Day Offering

Tennessee Baptist Adult Homes is a benevolent Christian ministry providing quality residential care for senior adults and adults with exceptional needs.

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MISSIONS ONGOING NEEDS:

Grace & Mercy:
Empty Cool Whip or butter tubs; plastic food / takeout containers (bin in office wing.)
(ongoing)

Coordinated Charities:
Canned or boxed food
(bin in office wing.)
(ongoing)

If you have questions, see Pastor Jason or Pastor Wayne.

Family Night Church Suppers are temporarily suspended until further notice.

Fellowship Meal

IMPORTANT DATES & MINISTRIES

Happy Birthday

Megan Bailey 2	Bob Calahan 12
Diane Harvey 2	Janetta Newman 13
Brooke Pacheco 2	Diana Kelley..... 14
T.J. Wilson 3	Raymond Carter 15
Hayden McCormick..... 5	Isaac Harvey 15
Janice Anderson 6	SaraBeth Graham 17
June Reeves-Oliver 7	Trudy Wallis 18
Betty Powers 9	Jamie McConkey 18
Henry Smith 9	Georgia Whaley 19
Juanita Martin 10	Judy Watson 21
Jason Bush 11	Glafrey Willis 25
Jerry Millsaps 11	Radley Lockmiller Jr. .27
Brandon Clunie 11	Kristen Freeman 29
Pam Wilburn 12	Margie Ledford 30
Betty Wiley 12	Alison Matoy..... 30

Anniversaries

01 Max/Juanita Scarbrough
02 Steve/Judy Bridges
04 Andrew/Taylor Huth
04 Tommy/Judy Barnett
06 Claude/Louise Womac
07 T.J./Jessica Wilson
10 John/Kim Hurst
11 Jerry/Helen Millsaps
12 Jamie/Amy McConkey
14 Jimmy/Tammy Pate
15 Larry/Jane Partain
22 John/Karen Sullivan
22 Dwayne/Fay McCaskill
25 Rodney/Molly Scarbrough
25 Randy/Brenda Mullins
27 James/Betty Powers
29 Jason/Kristti Bush
29 Wayne/Kaylee Stowers
30 Bernard/Barbara Patterson

JUNE CALENDAR

07 Deacons' Meeting..... 5 P
08 Church Council Meeting..... 6 P
10 EABC Kids' Finance Meeting.....5:30 P
14 Wedding Shower (FLC) for: ..... 2-4 P
(Amy Sherlin & Keith Watson)
Finance Meeting..... 5 P
Youth Council Meeting..... 5 P
17 Family Night Supper
(postponed until further notice)
Business Meeting..... 7 P
21 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!
Missions Meeting..... 5 P

MONDAYS thru THURSDAYS:
7:30 AM - 3 PM

FRIDAYS:
(REMAIN THE SAME)
8 AM - 12 PM

REV. JASON ROBERTSON
Senior Pastor

A "Special" Message from the Pastor...

Important information about our live stream is available at:

https://www.facebook.com/EastAthensChurch/live

(No Facebook Account is needed.)
or...

https://www.eastathens.org/live

PHASE 2: PLAN FOR EAST ATHENS

WED JUN 3	7:00 PM:	Adult Bible Study (Sanctuary) IMPACT Youth Ministry (regular room) GA's & Team Kids (FLC/Gym)
SUN JUN 7	9:30 AM:	(Last Names A-M) Worship Service
	11:00 AM:	(Last Names N-Z) Worship Service
	5:30 PM:	Youth Choir
WED JUN 10	6:00 PM:	Children's Choir Resumes (Adult Choir Room)
	7:00 PM:	Adult Bible Study, Youth & Children
	7:50 PM:	Adult Choir Resumes
SUN JUN 14	10:00 AM:	All "together" Worship Service on church grounds. - Bring a lawn chair or sit in your car
	6:00 PM:	Youth Choir
WED JUN 17		Same as June 10th
SUN JUN 21	9:30 AM:	Sunday School starts back.
	11:00 AM:	Worship in Sanctuary
	6:00 PM:	Youth Choir
WED JUN 24		Same as June 10th & 17th
SUN JUN 28	9:30 AM:	Sunday School
	11:00 AM:	Worship Service
	6:00 PM:	Youth Choir

HOSPITALITY TEAM

JUNE 07: GROUP 3	JUNE 14: GROUP 4	JUNE 21: GROUP 5	JUNE 28: GROUP 1
NATHAN ODOM (1&2)	ED MAZANEK (1&2)	RODNEY AMMONS (1&2)	MIKE KELLEY (1&2)
JAMIE MCCONKEY (18)	JERRY MILLSAPS (18)	DWAYNE MCCASKILL (18)	DARRELL MCCORMICK (18)
PHIL HADORN (10)	STEVE BRIDGES (10)	ORVILLE HARRIS (10)	DEBO TOOMEY (10)

DOORS: Front (1&2) Entrance | Nursery (10) | Family Life Ctr. (18)

DEACON OF THE WEEK

DARREN RICKS	JUN 07
T.J. WILSON	JUN 14
STEVE CASTEEL	JUN 21
LARRY JOE DOCKERY	JUN 28

Knowing the Savior

"He calls His own sheep by name and leads them out. When He has brought out all His own, He goes on ahead of them, and His sheep follow Him because they know His voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice." - John 10:3-5

Millions of people world-wide profess to be Christians, but do they really understand what it means to "know" the Savior? Our salvation through Christ is so much more than reciting a prayer. Many believe that bowing their head, closing their eyes, and reciting a prayer is all they have to do. They have their assurance into Heaven, yet with no changed heart, no real *love-relationship* with the One Who set them free, the One that sacrificed His very life's blood for them. They really don't "know" Him.

Jesus beautifully stated in the Book of John...

"I am the Good Shepherd; I know My sheep and My sheep know Me— just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father—and I lay down My life for the sheep. — John 10:14-15

For many Christians, it seems that oftentimes, their "primary" focus is directed towards family, friends, church programs, sports, entertainment, and so forth. These are indeed important aspects of daily life, and there is nothing wrong with them. However, when they become more important, or take the place of time spent with Jesus, then a re-prioritization must take place.

Our Savior lovingly and patiently knocks at the door of our hearts. He longs for us to open that door and invite Him in for intimate fellowship.

"Behold (Here I AM!) , I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me." - Rev. 3:30

We develop a closer relationship with Him when we are "daily" in His Word. By conversing with Him through prayer, we really begin to "know" His heart, because His heart will become ours, and ours His. There will be a *mutually-shared* sweet presence between us.

Therefore, begin to seek out quiet times to be still, and to open your heart to the sweet-sweet Savior. Talk with Him, walk with Him, and love Him deeply with all your heart. This is how He will really begin to KNOW you, and you Him.

This amazing intimacy will keep your hearts in perfect peace no matter what circumstances may come your way. *There is no greater joy than sharing the heart of Jesus.*

Judi

REV. MIKE DANNEL
Executive Pastor, Worship Pastor

Psalm 46:10 The Psalmist says: "Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

Psalm 37:7 "Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him;"....

I am extremely thankful that no one in my family, or as far as I know, no one in our church family, has come down with the dreaded coronavirus. I pray for those families in our area that have lost loved ones due to this virus and I also pray for those that have been stricken but thankfully recovered.

With that being said, I must admit, that this has been difficult for me because I am a people person and a planner that doesn't like my schedule changed. Also, I am a creature of habit and am most comfortable with things staying the same. So, this period of lockdown has forced me to slow down, appreciate the people and things around me more, and to "be still in the presence of the Lord."

How can we be still and know that He Is God?

1. *By having a relationship with God through His Son, Jesus Christ. When we accept His gift of salvation and forgiveness, we begin a new relationship, one where we come to understand who He is as our heavenly Father.*
2. *By digging into His Word, His love letter to us which reveals who He is and His plan for humanity.*
3. *By speaking with Him through prayer, asking in faith, listening, and waiting for His answers.*

When we seek a deeper relationship with God with a true desire to "Be Still," we should come with a humble heart, stripped of pride and a desire to control. When we do, we escape from the world and come into the presence of the great "I AM."

Mike

Music News

One thing I have learned, never say: "I am going to do this or that" instead say: "if the Lord wills I will do this or that."

Below is what we feel will be the best way to begin phasing back in our music ministry.

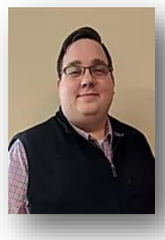
Sanctuary Choir: Our first rehearsal will be on Wed., June 10th at 7:50 PM. This rehearsal will be 40 minutes in length with spacing of chairs as much as possible. Our first Sunday to sing for morning worship service will be on June 21st at 11 AM. We will meet in the choir room, on that day, at 10:30 for warm-up. An explanation of our Sunday services is on the front of this newsletter. At our first rehearsal I will go over with you the changes that are happening this month.

Youth Choir: Sunday, June 7 we will have a pizza fellowship time at 5:30 PM and choir at 6 PM. At this first rehearsal, we will look at the options available to us concerning our canceled spring youth Sunday and musical.

Young Musician's Choir: After seeking advice from parents and much prayer, I believe that we can begin our summer program with some important changes. We will begin rehearsals on Wed., June 10 at 6 PM in the big choir rehearsal room. We have a lot more room in this area and can space out chairs to achieve social distancing. We will rehearse each Wednesday at 6 PM and go through the summer. The musical dress rehearsal will be Sat., Sept 26 and the musical will be presented on Sun., Sept. 27.

We also have looked at options for choir camp. I feel that the best idea would be a Sunday - Tuesday day camp instead of overnight. We have a lot of details to work out and I will be talking with all parents to work out these details. After we have a plan worked out, I will send out the information, in a letter, around mid-June. Dates for camp are Sunday - Tuesday, July 26-28. If you would like to help during camp please let me know, we can definitely use the help. Looking forward to getting back together to sing His praise.

Handbell Choir: Sometime the beginning of September.



REV. WAYNE STOWERS
Family Pastor

STUDENT MINISTRY

GRADES 7th - 12th

WEDNESDAYS AT 6 PM

Hey Church Family!

The last few weeks have been a rollercoaster. With the reinstating of our services and a gentle glide back into normality, I am happy to inform you that we will be starting our children and student ministries back on June 3rd, starting at 7 PM for IMPACT, GA's and TeamKids. We are combining the GA's and TeamKids' classes together in the Family Life Center just for the summer, and we will not be having a youth retreat. There are plans for different youth outings with more information to follow.

I want to give a huge kudos to our Children's Director, Elizabeth, and all of her volunteers for their hard work in reading us the bible every day. Such an amazing ministry that we have been blessed to see and be a part of. If you would like to be a reader, please reach out to either myself or Elizabeth!

Vacation Bible School has been planned for August 15th and we need volunteers. We will be having an interest meeting on June 21st in the sanctuary, right after the morning service. VBS would not be possible without you!

This month, I ask for us to pray for our Sunday School, Children, Youth and Adult class teachers. In the hiatus a lot of the ministries they have loved to be a part of have been postponed. As they get back to engaging with their students again, I pray that the fire of God will burn brighter in their lives than ever before. That the Lord our God will give them the drive and the opportunity to offer the Gospel, and that the listeners will be willing to hear it. Please pray for our teachers.