

## May 2, 2021 5th Sunday of Easter

- May 2** 9:00am Zoom Sunday School  
for Coffee Cup Class  
9:15am No In-Person Sunday School  
9:00am AAA Class Zoom  
10:30 am Worship In Person & Online  
4:00pm Deacon's Meeting
- May 5** 6:00 pm Zoom meeting

### Choir Opportunities

Choir Opportunities: Have you wanted to experience the choir at Northside, but are unsure about the commitment? Consider joining in for Eastertide. Covid protocols will be in place. Contact Toney Keeler by email ([toney.keeler@gmail.com](mailto:toney.keeler@gmail.com)) or by phone (601-498-2238) if you are interested.

### Help Needed for Cameras

We are in need of people to volunteer to run the camera for virtual worship. Operation involves moving the already set-up camera for close-up shots. Volunteers will be trained, no experience needed! Contact Michael Stamey, 336-848-0864.

### Digital Newsletter

We will start distributing the NBC newsletter digitally in June. You will receive the newsletter via email so make sure the office has your current email address. If you prefer to still receive a paper copy, contact the church office to stay on the mailing list.

### Faded Flowers: Preaching in the Aftermath of Suicide

The video of a discussion with pastors from Broadway Baptist (Louisville, KY), Northside, and Emerywood Baptist (High Point, NC) and Rev. Dr. Jason Coker about Jason's new book is available online. While serving as Senior Pastor at Wilton Baptist Church in 2009, Jason was preparing a Lenten series to respond to the acute pain felt by their community in the wake of the Great Recession. On the First Sunday of Lent, one of Jason's then 19-year-old youth took his life, sending shockwaves of grief and sorrow through a community already reeling in uncertainty. Now, the Pandemic afforded Jason the opportunity to finally craft this beautiful book which is part personal reflection, communal memoir, and liturgical resource.

<https://vimeo.com/event/872885>

### Zoom Check-In Change

Beginning in May, we will have one Zoom Check-in meeting each Wednesday at 6pm. Join in for this wonderful time of fellowship and prayer.

### Health Team Report

We are at "Point D". Larger groups may resume meeting indoors, masked and distanced. No more than one group per area per day. Please schedule your building and grounds usage with the church office. On Sundays we will have worship at 10:30am indoors and online. There will still be no childcare or Sunday School.

### Why do we wear masks when gathered indoors?

1. The vaccines are not 100% effective at preventing infection.
2. Even after vaccination, you can be infected and potentially transmit infection to others.
3. Not everyone has been vaccinated (only 21% of Mississippians are fully covered at present), and some have not had the opportunity to be vaccinated (babies, children, youth).
4. There is limited data on how long vaccines will be protective.
5. We still have significant circulating levels of viral activity.
6. Variants (mutated coronavirus strains) are becoming more widespread. Some of these are more transmissible and some are more deadly. While we think our vaccines in the U.S. will be protective against some of these, we do not have good data on how they perform against all circulating variants.
7. It is what public health officials (CDC and MSDH) tell us we need to do when meeting in public, in mixed groups, in large groups, indoors.
8. It is not just about your protection, it is about everyone else's health as well. We are a church family, and family cares for one another.
9. We are loving our neighbors by doing what is stated. We will continue to wear our masks until we are told it is okay to stop.

### RECENT PRAYER REQUESTS

*If you have an update on any of the following requests, please contact the office.*

- Benson Baptist Church in NC**, youth minister, Felicia Fox, killed by drunk driver
- Alice Boone**, neighbor of Ruth Frost, multiple myeloma of her spine
- Abby Bosarge**, Yvette Dale's brother's granddaughter, hospice care
- Geraldine Bowie**, sister of Thelma Basley, fluid retention
- Hale Byrd**, friend of Jimmy Sclater, prostate cancer
- Beverly Cavin**, Boone's cousin, brain cancer
- Cassidy Clevenger**, rehab continues for stroke
- Elizabeth Eubanks**, daughter of Michele Smith, recent lupus diagnosis
- Trina Ferguson**, recent surgery

- Delia Garcia**, grandmother of Anna Garcia, surgery completed for broken hip
- Joyce Grayer**, former Utopia resident and church visitor, now at Magnolia Nursing Home,
- Susan Harkins**, health issues
- Marene Harrington**, grandmother of Bradley Lewis, broken hip
- Glenda Hughes**, biopsy this week for possible breast cancer
- Curtis Jackson**, father of Tequila Johnson
- Ali Jenkins**, cancer in spine
- Carson Kennedy**, friend of Joseph Meadors, deployed to Kuwait
- Jeannie Lane**, friend of David Miller, stroke and high blood sugar
- Stephon McCord**, father of Audrey Harrison's friend Stephonie Francia, prostate cancer
- Sharon McInnes**, family friend of Jimmy Sclater, diagnosed with ALS
- Eddie Mellado**, brother-in-law of Judy Gearhart, at home with cancer, tumors shrinking
- Olser Moore**, grandfather of Dustan Jones, heart issues, blood clot on lung
- Blake Parham**, brother of Jason Parham receiving chemotherapy for cancer
- Tiffany Phillips**, step-daughter of Ruth Frost, physical therapy for back issues
- Charles and Martha Price**, friends of Wilma Hemphill, improving
- Wilma Raden**, mother of Teresa Mosley, chronic health issues
- Lita Sample**, CBF Field Personnel, recovering from kidney surgery
- Dale Shelton**, Parkinson's, at home
- Gene Smith**, friend of Ron Smith
- Stacey King Smith**, COVID-19 recovery at home
- Wesley Switzer**, broken hip recovery, in rehab center
- Sherri Wheat**, neighbor of Stringers, serious health issues
- Bland Williamson**, father of Michael Williamson, falling spells

### ONGOING PRAYER REQUEST

- Ceci Albernoz**, cancer free!
- John Averitt**, husband of Judy Gearhart's cousin Joy Gore Averitt; John has ALS
- Caby Byrne**, decreasing sight
- Eldredge Coleman**, grandfather of Audrey Harrison, continued health concerns
- Donna Corbett**, mother of Kim Corbett, radiation treatment for cancer
- William Cresson**, nephew of John Meadors
- Matt Duckworth**, friend of Ellen Brewer, cancer
- Nancy Farrar**, sister-in-law of Landa Strum, chemotherapy completed
- Jennifer Garriga**, niece of Jerrell Hutson, dialysis
- Pat and John Green**, former members, Pat has brain tumor and John, her caregiver has health problems.
- Junior Hopkins**, Mary Coker's daughter's father in law, home but has serious health issues
- Teresa Howard**, niece of Nancy Hancock, recent hospitalization, issues with pancreas
- Terri Kazery**, recurrence of brain cancer

- Dana Ledford**, friend of Lida Stark, cancer
- Betty Legg**, friend of Judy Gearhart
- Ann Marquez**, low hemoglobin levels
- Jerry May**, brother of Cynthia Tucker
- Rikki Morrow**, cardiomyopathy
- Megan Clara Nichols**, child, brittle bone disease
- Tom Persons**, brother of Annie Bess Saul, heart issues
- Ricky Oswalt**, son-in-law of Jimmie Street, blood clots
- Holly Peché**, Michael Stamey's mother, health
- Parker Pierce**, young friend of Carner's, leukemia
- Trenia Reynolds**, paraplegic due to car accident
- Paul Robertson**, friend of the Hutsons, lymphoma
- Jimmy Sclater**, neck surgery recovery
- David Sikes**, friend of Jimmy Sclater, serious illness
- Sylvia Smith**, cardiologist appt. delayed
- Ms. Brook Stogner**, friend of Kim Corbett, lifelong chronic health issues.
- Tucker family, Cliff, Cynthia, and Amy**
- Fran Windler**, friend of Jimmy Sclater
- Lynn Wilson**, Beth Russo's mother, stroke recovery
- Laura Uecker**, friend of Amy Williamson, leukemia
- Tony White**, husband of John Meadors's colleague LaJune, hoping for kidney transplant
- Claude Yates**, brother of Nancy Hancock, COPD

### MISSIONARIES/MINISTRIES

- Dr. Jericho and Eric Bell**, sister and brother-in-law of Eric Peden, furloughing medical missionaries to Litein, Kenya
- Porta House** ministry to Albanians in Athens, Greece
- Lynn and Michael Hutchinson**, Togo
- Primeira Igreja Batista em Bultrins**
- Delta Hands for Hope**

### HEALTH CARE WORKERS

- Cassie Sherman, Dereck Davis, Jason Parham, Linda McComb, Tania Mayfield, Jo Ann Young, Michael Williamson, Demetrius Miles, Emily Bond, Peyton Herrington, Aaron Bond, Pam Coker

### MEMBERS AT HOME

- Thelma Basley – 650A Highland Colony Pkwy, Apt 302 Ridgeland, MS 39157
- Merle Thomas – 100 Parker Dr., #2B, 39056
- LaDeane Moore – 200 Serenity Lane, Apt. 310, Madison, 39110
- Deborah Skelton – Lakeland Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 3680 Lakeland Ln, Jackson, MS 39216
- Wesley Switzer - Lakeland Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 3680 Lakeland Ln, Jackson, MS 39216

### SYMPATHY

We share our loving sympathy to Megan and Jason Ross and their children Sam and Susannah in the death of Megan's father Henry Black, April 22. We also remember Megan's mother Brenda and all their family as they grieve and comfort one another.