

St John Church of Christ

June 7, 2020

This Week

ONLINE

Children's Bible Class

10:00 A.M.

Join Pete and Penelope online at 10:00 A.M.

Adult Bible Class

10:30 - 10:45 A.M.

The next step on the Stairway to Love (2 Peter 1:3 - 7) is *friendship*, the subject of today's class. Christian friends are the best friends!

LIVE & ONLINE

Worship

11:00 - 11:45 A.M.

You can join us live at the building or online at:

<https://www.facebook.com/StJohnChurchOfChrist/>

Richard will be leading our Lord's Supper devotional and John's sermon is entitled: "Talking Dirt: The first story Jesus told."

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We're Back This Sunday, June 7th!



The doors of our building will re-open for worship this **Sunday, June 7th at 11:00 A.M.**

The danger hasn't completely passed, so we will still observe some precautions, but won't it be grand to gather again? Here is what you need to know.

ONLINE

We will continue to hold online worship services and classes. Pete & Penelope will still have their Children's Bible Hour online at 10:00 Sunday mornings.

John will continue teaching the Adult Bible Class online at 10:30 Sunday mornings. We will not hold any classes at the build-

ing either on Sundays or Wednesdays just yet.

In addition, we will broadcast the services from our auditorium live starting at 11:00 a.m. The broadcast will include the entire worship service and last about 45 minutes.

AT THE BUILDING

We will begin with Sunday morning worship only (No classes). We will add further public services as we consider it safe and wise to do so.

Please, we are asking every member to wear a mask while

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inside the building. It may feel strange, but none of us knows whether we are asymptomatic carriers of the virus: and we know that the tiny droplets of moisture that we all spew when we talk, cough, sneeze, or especially sing can carry the virus. It will be extremely hard to follow the mask protocol while we are singing, but this is the most important time to be masked.

Don't forget to bring your own Bible with you. For the time being, we've removed all the paper hymn books and Bibles from the pews since their surfaces can transmit the virus. Don't worry though, we've been projecting our songs and scriptures for quite a while, and we will continue to do so.

As hard as this will be, we are asking every member to keep at least 6 feet away from each other and to give up hugs and handshakes completely until the situation improves. We've blocked off every other pew to ensure physical distancing. Likewise, we're



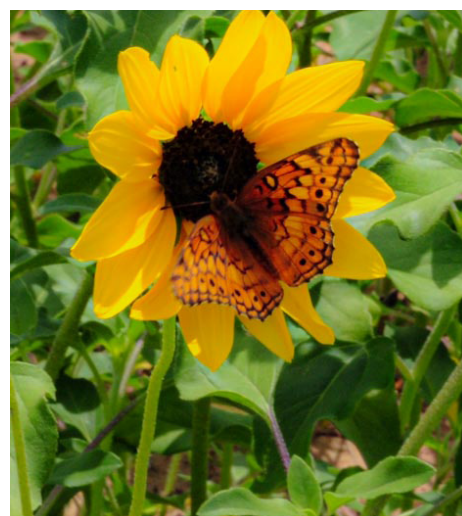
asking families to sit together by themselves. It is especial important (and difficult) for children not to sit beside their friends!

We will be using the individually packaged communion supplies as long as we can get them. (They are in short supply at this time.) There will be a box prominently placed where we can drop our contributions.

Hand sanitizer will be available in the building as long as we can obtain it. We will be making special efforts to sanitize the pews before services.

Sadly, but just as important as all of these precautions are, if you are older or immune compromised, we are asking you to stay at home, and worship with us online during this difficult time.

Most importantly, if you are ill, running a fever, or you have been exposed, please worship online instead of being personally present. We know you don't want to possibly expose our weaker members to this dangerous virus.



Kansas wildflowers are blooming again!

For Your Prayers

It has been a very busy week!

- Carol is undergoing tests to resolve some very serious pains in her hand and neck.
- Orvalee has been in Wichita for testing this week as well.
- Jerry is suffering and the doctors are trying to diagnose the issue.

We've been praying for 2-year-old Maren from Great Bend who has Leukemia. Her father, John shares this: "Maren has had a rough week but had a great day today. Her counts are low right now so she's susceptible and not feeling her best. We'll see if her counts are back on the rise tomorrow morning when new labs are drawn. She was happy and energetic today and wore herself out.

Alicia and I started undergoing testing to determine which one of us will be Maren's bone marrow donor. Maren has undergone three rounds of chemo so far. Her fourth will be the most severe, but potentially her last. It is guaranteed to be a grueling week when that happens. I am unsure of the timeline, but will probably be in the latter half of June with the transplant to follow. After the transplant we'll be inpatient for up to 12 weeks. In the meantime, we're hoping to have another week home in GB when Maren's numbers go up.

We continue to be grateful for you all and thank you for the time you spend in prayer advocating for Maren. She has all the nurses wrapped around her finger and the doctors are impressed with her. She is taking some steps on her own now, stringing words together, and growing. There are other children on our floor who have not been as fortunate as Maren; please pray for all the kids and families here."